



STATE OF WASHINGTON
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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October 7, 2025

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John Meader: john.meader@atg.wa.gov

Ezequiel "Zeke" Morfin

Subject: Commission Final Order, Ezequiel "Zeke" Morfin, PDC Case 175154

Dear Ezequiel "Zeke" Morfin:

Enclosed is a copy of the Public Disclosure Commission's Final Order Imposing Fine entered in the above-referenced case.

At its meeting, the Commission found you in violation of RCW42.17A.700 for failure to file a Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1) for the calendar year 2024, that was due no later than April 15, 2025 and assessed a total civil penalty of \$500 with \$500 suspended on the conditions set forth in the Final Order.

Sincerely,

/s/ Electronically signed
Alice Fiman
Compliance Manager

Enclosure: Final Order for Ezequiel "Zeke" Morfin, PDC Case 175154

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8 **BEFORE THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON**

9 In Re: The Matter of Enforcement Action⁵
10 Against:

11 EZIQUIEL MORFIN,
12 Respondent.
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PDC CASE NO. 175154
FINAL ORDER ON
RECONSIDERATION

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15 This matter was heard by the Washington State Public Disclosure Commission
16 (Commission) on September 25, 2025, by in-person, telephonic and online streaming access.
17 Respondent Eziquiel Morfin requested review on September 4, 2025, of the Presiding Officer's
18 Order entered on August 20, 2025, following a Brief Enforcement Hearing on August 7, 2025.
19 The hearing was held in accordance with Chapters 34.05 and 42.17A RCW, and Chapter 390-37
20 WAC.

21 Commissioners present in person were J. Robert Leach, Commission Chair (presiding),
22 Commission Vice Chair Douglass North, and Commissioner James Oswald. Also present in
23 person were Assistant Attorney General John S. Meader representing the Commission, Assistant
24 Attorney General Susie Giles-Klein representing PDC staff, and Alice Fiman, PDC Compliance
25 Manager. Notice was provided to the Respondent and he appeared on his own behalf. The
26 proceeding was open to the public and recorded.

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2 The Commissioners had before them the following materials:

- 3 1. Case memorandum dated September 12, 2025, prepared by Colin Peeples, PDC
4 Compliance Coordinator;
5 2. Brief Adjudicative Proceeding hearing notice, undated;
6 3. Initial Order Imposing Fine, entered August 20, 2025;
7 4. Respondent's email request for appeal, undated;
8 5. Review Hearing Notice for Case No. 175154, dated September 5, 2025.
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10 **I. FINDINGS OF FACT**

11 The matter involved Respondent's request for the Commission to reconsider an Initial
12 Order entered on August 20, 2025, resulting from an Initial Hearing on August 7, 2025, regarding
13 Eziquiel Morfin, an appointed member of the City of Toppenish City Council. The Presiding
14 Officer at the Brief Adjudicative Proceeding found the Respondent in violation of RCW
15 42.17A.700 for failure to file a Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1) for the calendar year
16 2024, that was due no later than April 15, 2025.
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- 18 1. Between March 14, and April 25, 2025, PDC staff sent email reminders to all
19 registered candidates regarding their missing F-1 reports for calendar year 2024.
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21 2. On May 5, 2025, PDC staff emailed a warning letter to the Respondent regarding
22 his missing F-1 report.
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24 3. On July 7, 2025, PDC staff emailed Respondent a hearing notice regarding the
25 missing report. This hearing notice was sent to Respondent's email address of
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1 record.

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3 4. A Brief Enforcement Hearing was held August 7, 2025, where the Respondent
4 was found to have violated RCW 42.17A.700 due to failure to file an F-1
5 statement for calendar year 2024, no later than April 15, 2025. The Presiding
6 Officer imposed a \$500 civil penalty, with \$200 suspended, consistent with WAC
7 390-37-143, the Brief Enforcement Hearing penalty schedule adopted by the
8 Commission.

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10 5. On August 20, 2025, PDC staff served Respondent an Initial Order by email to
11 the Respondent's email address of record.

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13 6. On September 4, 2025, Respondent contacted the PDC by email requesting to
14 appeal the penalty assessed in the Initial Order entered August 7, 2025.
15 Respondent stated the grounds for appeal were he had multiple health issues, he
16 had resigned from his position in early 2025 and did not realize the statement
17 needed to be filed, and that he had multiple outstanding medical bills.

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19 7. On September 5, 2025, PDC staff served Respondent a hearing notice by email
20 for a September 25, 2025, Hearing on Reconsideration before the Commission,
21 along with instructions on how to participate in the hearing remotely.

22 23 **II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

24 1. The Commission has jurisdiction over this proceeding pursuant to Chapter
25 42.17A. RCW, the State campaign finance and disclosure law; Chapter 34.05
26 RCW, the Administrative Procedure Act; and Title 390 WAC.

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2. Pursuant to RCW 42.17A.700, an appointed official is required to file an F-1 statement no later than April 15, 2025, for calendar year 2024.

III. ORDER

This Order on Reconsideration will be the Final Order. After reconsideration of the facts of this case and the mitigating and aggravating factors, the Findings of Fact, and the Conclusions of Law, the Initial Hearing Order finding the Respondent in violation of RCW 42.17A.700 is MODIFIED. The Respondent is found to be in violation of RCW 42.17A.700 and is assessed a civil penalty of \$500, with \$500 suspended, on the following conditions:

1. a. The missing F-1 statement due for calendar year 2024 is filed within 30 days of the date of this Final Order.
- b. The Respondent remains in full compliance with all PDC reporting requirements and is not found to have committed any further violations of Chapter 42.17A RCW or Title 390 WAC within four years of the date of this Final Order. The suspended penalty shall not be assessed based solely upon any remediable violation, minor violation, or error classified by the Commission as appropriate to address by a technical correction.
2. If the Respondent fails to meet the conditions in Section III(1) of this order within 30 days of the date of this order, the suspended portion of the penalty for calendar year 2024 shall immediately become due and the matter may be sent to collection

1 or brought to Superior Court as allowed by law without further action by the
2 Commission.
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5 SO ORDERED this ____3rd__ day of October, 2025.
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7 WASHINGTON STATE PUBLIC
8 DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

9 FOR THE COMMISSION:

10 J. Robert Leach
11 J. Robert Leach (Oct 3, 2025 13:45:32 PDT)

12 J. Robert Leach,
13 Chair, Public Disclosure Commission

14 *This order sent by email to:*

15 Eziquiel Morfin, Respondent
16 ezmorfin509@gmail.com

17 Alice Fiman, Compliance Manager
18 Alice.fiman@pdc.wa.gov

19 Colin Peeples,
20 PDC Compliance Coordinator,
21 colin.peeples@pdc.wa.gov

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23 **NOTICE: PETITION FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW**

24 You have the right to appeal this Final Order to Superior Court, pursuant to the Petition for
25 Judicial Review provisions of RCW 34.05.542. Any Petition for Judicial Review of this Final
26 Order must be filed with the court and also served upon both the Commission and the Office of
the Attorney general within thirty (30) days after the date this Final Order is served upon you.

Alice Fiman
I, _____, certify that I emailed a
copy of this order to the Respondent at his respective
email address.

Alice Fiman 10-6-25
Signed Date