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Subject: PDC Case 175523 American Institute of Architects of Washington Council PAC

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The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) completed its review of the complaint filed by Conner Edwards on July 1, 2025.

The complaint alleged that American Institute of Architects of Washington Council PAC (AIAWA PAC) may have violated [RCW 42.17A.235](#) and [.240](#) by failing to timely and accurately report contributions and expenditures. The complaint alleged that the PAC participated in the 2024 elections as early as August 2024 but filed monthly reports instead of the required 21- and 7-day pre-election C-4 reports, and that expenditures in October that were contributions to candidates were not reported until after the election.

Applicable Laws and Rules

RCW 42.17A.235 and .240 - A committee that selects the Full Reporting option on their C-1pc report is required to report contributions and expenditures to the PDC on C-3 reports and C-4 reports pursuant to [RCW 42.17A.235](#) & [RCW 42.17A.240](#). The due dates for these reports are based upon the election cycle, the committee's election participation, and their financial activity.

Background and Findings

- American Institute of Architects Washington Council PAC has been a registered political committee since at least 2002. AIAWA PAC participated in the 2024 general election by making contributions to 17 candidates, totaling \$11,200.
- Because of its participation in the 2024 general election, AIAWA PAC was required to file the 21- and 7-day pre-general election and post-general election C-4 reports, rather than monthly C-4 reports, as follows:
 - 21-day C-4 report covering Sep. 1 – Oct. 14, 2024; due by Oct. 15, 2024
 - 7-day C-4 report covering Oct. 15 – Oct. 28, 2024; due by Oct. 29, 2024

- Post-general C-4 report covering Oct. 29 – Nov. 30, 2024; due by Dec. 10, 2024
- AIAWA PAC filed a July 2024 C-4 report of contributions and expenditures on Aug. 2, 2024, reporting no expenditures.
- AIAWA PAC filed an August 2024 C-4 on Sep. 10, 2024, reporting three expenditures totaling \$2,350, that were contributions to candidates. The expenditures were made on Aug. 8, 16, and 20, 2024, and although they were required to be reported on a post-primary election C-4 report, they were timely filed on the August 2024 C-4 report.
- AIAWA PAC filed a C-4 report covering September 2024 on October 15, 2024, the same day the 21-day pre-general election C-4 report was due. The September 2024 C-4 included \$7,850 in expenditures, that included 12 contributions to candidates. Although the contributions were required to be reported on the 21-day pre-general election C-4, they were timely filed.
- AIAWA PAC filed a C-4 report covering October 2024 on Nov. 11, 2024. The report included two \$500 contributions to candidates made on Oct. 10 and 21, 2024. The contributions were required to be reported on the 21-day and 7-day pre-general election C-4 reports, respectively, that were due Oct. 15 and Oct. 29, 2024, respectively, but were reported 27 and 13 days late, respectively, and six days after the general election.

Summary and Resolution

American Institute of Architects of Washington Council PAC participated in the 2024 general election by making contributions to 17 candidates, totaling \$11,200. Because of their general election participation, AIAWA PAC was required to file according to an accelerated reporting schedule before the general election. By following a monthly reporting schedule instead, AIAWA PAC filed 15 of its 17 general election contributions timely but filed two \$500 contributions 27 and 13 days late, and six days after the general election.

After consideration of all the circumstances, further proceedings would not serve the purposes of the Fair Campaign Practices Act. Under WAC 390-37-070, the executive director, at any time prior to consideration by the Commission, may dismiss a complaint which on its face, or as shown by investigation, provides reason to believe that a violation has occurred, but also shows that the respondent is in substantial compliance with the relevant statutes or rules, or shows that formal enforcement action is not warranted.

PDC staff remind the committee that when it is participating in an election, it is required to follow the accelerated reporting schedule, which includes switching from monthly C-4 reports to reports filed 21 and 7 days before the election and a post-election C-4 report.

Based on this information, the PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1).

If you have questions, you may contact Phil Stutzman at 1-360-753-1111, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828 or by e-mail at pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Electronically signed by Phil Stutzman

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