

Erik Raistakka

replied

6 days ago (Sat, 19 Apr 2025 at 11:40 AM)

To:"contact@cascadeparty.org" <contact@cascadeparty.org>, "PDC Support" <pdc@pdc.wa.gov>

Cc:ashley.carlson@pdc.wa.gov, alice.fiman@pdc.wa.gov, phil.stutzman@pdc.wa.gov

External Email

Thanks for the conversation on April 18, 2025 in terms of updating PDC filings based on the compliant filed as outlined below.

Here is a our written response to the complaint:

As per our previous conversation the Cascade Party WA established itself as a bona fide political party during the 2024 campaign cycle. It elected its first officer slate and adopted bylaws as part of its convention January 11, 2025, at which time Krist Novoselic was named chair, Kiera O'Brien was named vice chair, Marjorie O'Rourke was named secretary and I was named treasurer. Following this convention I began a two-month process to get full access to the party's bank account and look to update PDC filings on a regular basis based on those financial records. As instructed previously by the PDC based on Cascade Party's difficulties receiving errors updating the party's filings online, we resubmitted our PDC filing registration in February 2025. At that time we stated we would file reports based on the re-registration date going forward and attempted to start with initial contribution records based on cash on hand on that day. The February 2025 filing was filed a few days after the deadline based on finalizing my full online access to the bank records with our bank. The March 2025 filing was filed by the deadline.

However based on the complaint outlined and per the conversation on April 18, 2025 we took the following actions in order to bring our filings in compliance:

1. Updated the email information on file to contact@cascadeparty.org
2. Added the four executive committee members noted above to the filing
3. Resubmitted the C4 reports from July 2024 to March 2025 as recommended. Note, this involved adjusting contributions accordingly to reconcile back to the contributions that were originally for 2024 but booked in 2025 based on our attempt to "start fresh" as of that February 2025 refiling as noted above.

We hope that these actions will bring our reporting into compliance and intend to file future reports per the outlined deadlines and guidance.

Erik Raistakka

Treasurer

Cascade Party Washington