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July 14, 2026

Delivered electronically to Ronald Mullins at arllum@yahoo.com

Subject: PDC Case 188276 regarding Ronald Mullins

Ronald Mullins:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) completed its review of the complaint filed by Conner Edwards on March 28, 2026. The complaint alleged violations of RCW 29B.25.090 & .100 for failure to accurately report expenditures for election year 2026.

Applicable Laws and Rules

Pursuant to RCW 29B.25.090(3)(a), each treasurer of a candidate or political committee is required to file a report on the tenth day of each month during which they are not participating in an election campaign only if the committee 1) received a contribution or made an expenditure in the preceding calendar month; and 2) either total contributions received or total expenditures made since the last such report exceed $750.

Pursuant to RCW 29B.25.100(2), monetary contributions are disclosed on C-3 reports, which must include, but are not limited to: 1) the name and address of each person who contributed more than $100 during the period covered by the report; 2) the monetary value and date of each contribution , except for the items specifically mentioned in subsection (2)(a) through (g); and 3) the aggregate value of all contributions received from each person during the campaign. “Contribution,” as defined, includes an in-kind contribution, which is disclosed on a C-4 report.

Background and Findings

- Ronald Mullins (the Respondent) is a candidate for Pacific County Commissioner in the 2026 election.
- The complaint alleged that the C-4 report covering activity for February 2026 included a negative cash-on-hand balance indicating inaccurate reporting.

- Although the Respondent has been registered under the "Mini Reporting" option since February 2, 2026, and has continued to adhere to the "Mini Reporting" thresholds described in WAC 390-16-105, they did submit a February 2026 C-4 report prior to receipt of the complaint.
- PDC staff's advice is that when C-3 or C-4 reports, which are only required by "Full Reporting" campaigns, are submitted while registered under the "Mini Reporting", the reports should be accurate. PDC forms require the filer to certify that the information contained therein is "true and correct."
- On March 14, 2026, the Respondent submitted a C-4 report for February 2026. The C-4 report included $692.03 in total expenditures resulting in a negative cash-on-hand balance and the subsequent complaint.
- On April 8, 2026, the Respondent amended the February 2026 C-4 report to remove the expenditures, adding a note that no donations had been collected and that the Respondent was paying all campaign related expenses.
- Also on April 8, 2026, the Respondent submitted a C-4 report for March 2026 disclosing $1,030.05 in in-kind contributions from themselves primarily for political advertisement. The in-kind contributions captured the previously misreported $692.03 in expenditures from the February 2026 C-4 report.
- The Respondent ran for public office in 2024 but was not elected and has not held any other public office.
- The Respondent has no prior enforcement with the PDC.

Summary and Resolution

Based on our findings, staff has determined that, in this instance, any violation that may have occurred was minor and has been cured. After consideration of the circumstances, further proceedings would not serve the purpose of this chapter. Under WAC 390-37-060, 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.

Pursuant to WAC 390-37-060(1)(d), however, you are receiving a formal written warning concerning failure to timely and accurately disclose all contribution and expenditures. Staff expects that you timely and accurately file all future required reports of contributions and expenditures. The Commission will consider this formal written warning in deciding on further Commission action if there are future violations of PDC laws or rules.

Based on this information, the PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 29B.60.020(1).

If you have questions, contact Jennifer Hansen at 1-877-601-2828 or by e-mail at pdc@pdc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Electronically signed by Jennifer Hansen
Jennifer Hansen
Compliance Officer

Endorsed by,

Electronically signed by Peter Frey Lavallee
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Executive Director

cc: Conner Edwards