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

10 In Re: The Matter of Enforcement Action  
11 Against:

PDC CASE NO. 195370

FINAL ORDER

11 JOHN W. PEDLOW,  
12 Respondent.  
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15 This matter was heard by the Washington State Public Disclosure Commission  
16 (Commission) on September 24, 2026, by in-person, telephonic, and online streaming access.  
17 The hearing was held in accordance with Chapter 34.05 RCW, Title 29B RCW, and Chapter  
18 390-37 WAC.

19 Commissioners present in-person were J. Robert Leach, Commission Chair (presiding);  
20 Douglass North, Commission Vice-Chair, and Commissioners Lisa Kremer and Teebah Alsaleh.  
21 Commissioner Matthew Segal was present online. Also present were Assistant Attorney General  
22 Amanda Migchelbrink representing the Commission, Assistant Attorney General Chad  
23 Standifer, representing PDC Staff, and Carolyn Jones, PDC Compliance Coordinator. Notice  
24 was provided to the Respondent, and he did not appear on his own behalf but his wife did appear  
25 on his behalf. The proceedings were open to the public and recorded.  
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1 The Commissioners had before them the following materials:

- 2 • Memorandum, dated September 10, 2026, prepared by Carolyn Jones, PDC Compliance
- 3 Coordinator;
- 4 • Enforcement Hearing Notice, PDC Case Number 195370, dated September 4, 2026, for
- 5 a September 24, 2026, enforcement hearing before the full Commission;
- 6 • Order Imposing Fine, PDC Case Number 175185, dated August 20, 2025.
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### 8 **I. FINDINGS OF FACT**

9 This matter involves allegations the Respondent violated RCW 29B.55.010 by failing to  
10 file the required Personal Financial Affairs Statements (F-1 Report) for calendar year 2025, due  
11 no later than April 15, 2026. The Respondent has one prior violation with the PDC.

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- 13 1. The Respondent was a Regent/Trustee for Whatcom Community College in
- 14 calendar year 2025.
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- 16 2. Between February 20, 2026, and April 20, 2026, PDC staff sent email reminders
- 17 to all officials regarding their missing F-1 reports for calendar year 2025.
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- 19 3. On September 4, 2026, PDC staff emailed the Respondent a hearing notice
- 20 regarding the missing reports for calendar year 2025. The notice was sent to the
- 21 Respondent's email and address of record.
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- 23 4. The Respondent has since filed the F-1 reports covering election year 2025.
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- 25 5. Respondent has one prior enforcement violation:
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3 a. PDC Case 175185. Respondent, Trustee/Regent for Whatcom  
4 Community College, failed to file the required Financial Affairs  
5 Statement (F-1 report) for election year 2024, that was due no later than  
6 April 15, 2025. At an August 7, 2025, Adjudicative Proceeding (Brief  
7 Enforcement Hearing), Respondent was found in violation of RCW  
8 42.17A.700 and assessed a \$250 civil penalty, provided the conditions  
9 of the order were met and there were no further violations for four years.  
10 To date, Respondent has paid the outstanding \$250 civil penalty but the  
11 missing F-1 report for calendar year 2024 has not been filed.

## 12 II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 13 1. The Commission has jurisdiction over this proceeding pursuant to Title 29B  
14 RCW, the State campaign finance and disclosure law; Chapter 34.05 RCW, the  
15 Administrative Procedure Act; and Title 390 WAC.
- 16 2. Pursuant to RCW 29B.55.010 elected officials must file a Financial Affairs  
17 Statement (F-1 Report) for calendar year 2025, no later than April 15, 2026.  
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## 19 III. ORDER

20 This Order will be the Final Order. After consideration of the mitigating and  
21 aggravating factors, the Findings of Fact, and the Conclusions of Law, the Respondent is  
22 assessed a civil penalty for failure to timely file the F-1 report of \$250. The penalty shall be  
23 suspended subject to the following conditions:

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1. a. The Respondent files the missing F-1 reports for calendar year 2024 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 Title 29B 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 2025 shall immediately become due and the matter may be sent to collection or brought to Superior Court as allowed by law without further action by the Commission.

SO ORDERED this \_\_5<sup>th</sup>\_\_ day of October, 2026.

WASHINGTON STATE PUBLIC  
DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

FOR THE COMMISSION:

*J. Robert Leach*

J. Robert Leach (Oct 5, 2026 15:04:27 PDT)

J. Robert Leach,  
Chair, Public Disclosure Commission

1 *This order sent by email to:*

2 John W Pedlow, Respondent  
3 jpedlow@comcast.net

4 Carolyn Jones,  
5 PDC Compliance Coordinator,  
6 [pdc@pdc.wa.gov](mailto:pdc@pdc.wa.gov)

I, Carolyn Jones, certify that I emailed a  
copy of this order to the Respondent at the respective  
email address.

Carolyn Jones

Carolyn Jones (Oct 5, 2026 16:00:24 PDT)

Oct 5, 2026

Signed

Date

8 **NOTICE: RECONSIDERATION**

9 Pursuant to the provisions of RCW 34.05.470 and WAC 390-37-150, you may file a Petition for  
10 Reconsideration with the PDC within ten (10) days from the date this Final Order is served upon  
11 you. Any Request for reconsideration must state the specific grounds for the relief requested.  
12 Petitions must be delivered or mailed to the Washington State Public Disclosure Commission,  
13 711 Capitol Way, Room 206, Box 40908, Olympia WA 98504-0908.

14 **NOTICE: PETITION FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW**

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