



**State of Washington  
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION**

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**MINUTES –Special Meeting**

Evergreen Plaza Building, Room 206  
1500 Jefferson Building  
Olympia, Washington

1:00 p.m.  
March 10, 2016

**COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT**

**(Commissioners participated via Telephone)**

Anne Levinson, Vice Chair  
John Bridges, Member  
Grant Degginger, Member

**COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT**

Katrina Asay, Chair

**STAFF PRESENT**

Evelyn Fielding Lopez, Executive Director  
Jana Greer, Executive Assistant  
Tony Perkins, Compliance Officer  
Penny Allen, Assistant Attorney General  
Chad Standifer, Assistant Attorney General

The special meeting of the Public Disclosure Commission was called to order by Commission Vice Chair Anne Levinson at 1:00 p.m.

**Opening Comments**

Commissioner Levinson called the special meeting to order.

**Citizen Action Complaint**

- *Washington State Association for Justice (WSAJ) and its officers Gerhard Letzing and Suone Cotner, Case No. 2863, a citizen action complaint involving alleged violations of RCW 42.17A.630 for failing to file special reports of contributions by a lobbyist employer.*

Tony Perkins presented a summary of staff's findings, conclusions, and recommendations regarding the allegations contained in PDC Case No. 2863, a 45-Day Citizen Action Complaint (Complaint) filed on January 25, 2016 against WSAJ and its officers involving alleged violations of RCW 42.17A.630 for failing to file special reports of contributions by a lobbyist employer.

Staff recommended that the Commission find multiple apparent violations of RCW 42.17A.630(1) and (2) and recommend to the Attorney General to take appropriate action concerning WSAJ's apparent failure to disclose all of its reportable contributions on L-3 and L-3c reports during the five-year period of March 2011 through February 2016.

**Motion 16-13**

Moved by Commissioner Degginger, seconded by Commissioner Bridges that:

**The Commission find multiple violations of RCW 42.17A.630(1) and (2), and recommend the Attorney General take the appropriate action concerning the WASJ's apparent failure to disclose all of its**

**reportable contributions on L-3 and L-3c reports during the five-year period of March 2011 through February 2016.**

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Asay joined the meeting via telephone at 1:07 p.m.

**Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 1:08 p.m.

**Approved March 24, 2016**