

22 May 2023

RE: Public Comment for 25 May 2023 PDC Regular Meeting

Dear Public Disclosure Commission;

Joe A. Kunzler here. I'm going to be acute as I also will call in to testify. Here goes:

- 1) My [petition for rulemaking](#) mostly speaks for itself. But I want to be certain I am clear with you that the intent of this rule is to stop troubled individuals like Alex Tsimerman from using public comment to campaign for office – and hold accountable meeting chairs that don't shut down the abuse of public resources *immediately* with a clear standard. The recommended penalty schedule is initially gracious, partly because I realize *things happen* during public comment. But I'm sure the PDC concurs that public comment is a public resource, so *immediately* stopping campaigning with public resources is appropriate.
- 2) During your executive session, please bring up the status of complaints against Alex Tsimerman, Tsimerman's failure to respond to the PDC, and the need to invoke RCW 42.17A.755(4) on him. I refer you to my letter of 24 April 2023 to you and 30 April 2023 to your Executive Director Peter Frey Lavalley. There is *zero* evidence that Tsimerman will suddenly come into compliance, especially as he now has until November 7th to continue to express his contempt of you. Your Chair Fred Jarrett was [very clear on TVW](#) when he said;

“Most of the court cases now that we're seeing are ones that are being initiated by the PDC, for reasons that we just can't get compliance. ... The Attorney General picks that up and they have done an outstanding job of supporting compliance litigation.”

Ultimately the question is: will you act to ensure compliance or appease?

Please act on both accounts to save campaign finance transparency. We are all that is left of campaign finance transparency!

Very strategically submitted;

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe A. Kunzler". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized script. There is a small "ia" written below the first few letters of the name.

Joe A. Kunzler