

REGARDING POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS OF RCW 42.17A

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From: Rebecca Faust

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Sensa Salon
1123 1st Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101
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Failure to register with the Public Disclosure Commission in a timely manner, as required by RCW 42.17A.205

RCW 42.17A.205 requires that the statement of organization "be filed within two weeks after organization or within two weeks after the date the committee first has the expectation of receiving contributions or making expenditures in any election campaign, whichever is earlier."

Records available on the Public Disclosure Commission's website show that Washington United for Marriage's Political Committee Registration Form C1PC was received on February 2, 2012.

Cash Receipts Monetary Contribution Forms C3 filed by Washington United for Marriage on February 3, 2012, indicate that they began receiving contributions on December 30, 2011 (over a month before registering) and began depositing contributions on January 5, 2012 (well over two weeks before registering). It appears, based on their C3 reports, that they received and deposited \$40,531 between December 30, 2011 and January 19, 2012. This sum includes multiple donations from outside of Washington State. Contributions from this time period are recorded on nine separate C3 reports, all apparently filed on February 3, 2012. One of these forms alone reports small contributions from 134 persons on January 6, 2012.

Washington United for Marriage's own website asserts that it was "formed in October 2011." An online article from Seattle Gay News, dated December 9, 2011, reports on the hiring of Washington United for Marriage's campaign manager.

Business collecting contributions on behalf of political committee

I have reason to believe that Sensa Salon in Seattle, WA raised contributions designated for Washington United for Marriage and forwarded these contributions, or caused these contributions to be forwarded, to Washington United for Marriage. I also have reason to believe that Washington United for Marriage knew that Sensa Salon was raising these contributions, and either has received them or anticipates receiving them.

On Sunday, September 9, 2012, Sensa Salon held a fundraiser to benefit Washington United for Marriage. Based on Sensa Salon's business hours listed on their Facebook page, they are not usually open on Sunday.

Sensa Salon advertised on Facebook that "100% of the cost of [the customer's] service will go directly to Washington United [sic] Marriage."

Washington United for Marriage Tweeted on September 8, 2012, "Sensa salon is doing it big for #WA4M this wknd. They're donating all revenue and tips to Approve Ref. 74 this weekend," accompanied by a link to Sensa Salon's Facebook page. This shows that Washington United for Marriage was aware of the fundraiser beforehand and it does not appear that they had a problem with it.

On Monday, September 10, 2012, I called Sensa Salon to ask if they had paperwork required under RCW 42.17A.495 available for public inspection (to give employees' tips to Washington United for Marriage). The man I spoke to on the phone told me that the employees who worked that day donated their time and there were no tips. He said something along the lines of that the money was put in an envelope and it was paid directly to the campaign. He mentioned forms. Towards the end of the conversation, he asked me what organization I was with and I told him that I wasn't with an organization. I gave him my name. If he gave me his name, I either didn't catch it or don't remember it. As far as I remember, I didn't ask him for his name, though, and he may have said it when he first answered the phone.

Closing Comments

I request that the Public Disclosure Commission keep me informed of the status of this complaint and any public hearing scheduled for it.

I request that the Washington State Attorney General's office and the King County Prosecutor's office keep me informed of any investigation which they undertake in regards to this complaint, if it would not hinder the investigation to do so. I also request that they inform me of any legal action which they undertake in response to the violations which are brought to their attention by this complaint, the outcome of such legal action, and of any decision not to take legal action.

x *Rebecca J. Faust*
Rebecca J. Faust
September 13, 2012

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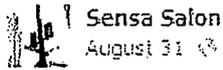
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Appendix 1

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Approve Referendum 74!!
Sensa Salon supports "Marriage for All"

On Sunday September 9th 9am-6pm, 100% of the cost of your service will go directly to Washington United Marriage, the Approve R74 Campaign.

Help support this cause and make your appointments for this day. Sensa Salon is the hottest and fastest-growing salon in Seattle. We are located on the corner of Seneca and 1st avenue, 1 block South of the Seattle Art Museum.

To schedule and appointment for September 9th, please call (206) 395-2060 and mention that you are supporting R74.

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From: Rebecca [mizrebecca@comcast.net]
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To: Rebecca
Subject: Follow-up on complaint to PDC regarding WUM
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It was just brought to my attention that Washington United for Marriage's earlier PDC reports are available on a separate part of the PDC website from their more recent reports. I haven't looked really closely, but it appears that this may resolve my concern about when they originally registered with the PDC. I remain concerned about the bundling of donations to Washington United for Marriage by Sensa Salon.

My complaint is based on the information that I was aware of when I submitted it. I still feel that, based on the information I have at this time, there is reasonable cause to believe that Sensa Salon bundled donations to Washington United for Marriage, and I hope that the PDC will investigate to determine if this is, in fact, the case. I regret my oversight in not seeing the earlier disclosure filings. I hope that any confusion I may have caused can be cleared up as quickly as possible, and I regret having caused confusion.

Rebecca

P.S. It was also pointed out to me that the link to my complaint which I originally sent the press don't work. I am attaching a copy of my complaint without the signature or appendi, because the full complaint is large to send an email. I had to fax it to the PDC because the email failed and sent me a notice that the attachment was too big.