



STATE OF WASHINGTON
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

Randal Corman
2216 Harrington Place NE
Renton WA 98056

In Re Compliance with RCW 42.17A

Randal Corman

Respondent.

PDC Case No. 13-169

Findings of Fact,
Conclusions of Law, and
Order Imposing Fine

A brief enforcement hearing (brief adjudicative proceeding) was held August 1, 2013, in Room 206, Evergreen Plaza Building, 711 Capitol Way, Olympia, Washington to consider whether the Respondent violated RCW 42.17A.205 by failing to timely file the Candidate Registration (C-1 report), which was due to be filed within two weeks of the Respondent declaring his candidacy.

The hearing was held in accordance with Chapters 34.05 and 42.17A RCW and Chapter 390-37 WAC. A brief enforcement hearing notice was sent to Randal Corman on July 18, 2013. Commission Chair Amit Ranade was the Presiding Officer. The Commission staff was represented by Kurt Young, Compliance Officer. The Respondent participated by telephone and provided sworn testimony to the Presiding Officer at the hearing.

Having considered the evidence, the Presiding Officer finds as follows:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Respondent is an incumbent Renton City Councilmember and a candidate for reelection to that office in 2013.
2. As a candidate, the Respondent was required to file a C-1 report within two weeks of the date the Respondent filed a declaration of candidacy, or no later than May 31, 2013.
3. The Respondent filed the missing C-1 report on July 25, 2013, prior to the date of the hearing.
4. The Respondent has no prior violations.

5. The Respondent stated that he is running for his 6th term on the Renton City Council, and had previously filed his campaign finance forms (C-1, C-3, C-4, etc.) through the mail with no compliance actions. He stated that because he is unopposed for office, and is not spending or raising any money, he waited until near the May 31, 2013, deadline to attempt to file his C-1 report electronically.
6. The Respondent said he struggled with "returning filer" options and was unable to complete a C-1 report because he was using his F-1 electronic filing passwords. He stated that he succeeded in establishing a new account and completed the C-1 report on June 4, 2013, but mistakenly failed to mail a signature authorization card. He said when he received the hearing notice, he completed the C-1 report on paper and mailed it. He apologized for the oversight.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the above facts, as a matter of law, the Presiding Officer concludes as follows:

1. This matter was duly and properly convened and all jurisdictional, substantive and procedural requirements have been satisfied.
2. The Respondent violated RCW 42.17A.205 by failing to timely file the C-1 report, which was due no later than May 31, 2013.

ORDER

ON the basis of the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law,

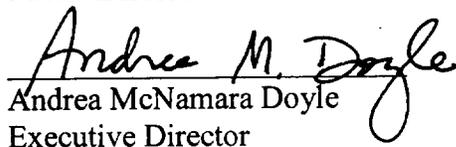
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Respondent is assessed a civil penalty of \$100 in accordance with the penalty schedule set forth in WAC 390-37-165, of which the entire \$100 is suspended on the condition the Respondent is not found to have committed any further violations of RCW 42.17A within two years of the date of this order.

If the Respondent fails to comply with this condition, the suspended portion of the penalty will become immediately due and payable without further action by the Commission.

This is an **Initial Order** of the Public Disclosure Commission.

Entered this 15 day of August, 2013.

Public Disclosure Commission


Andrea McNamara Doyle
Executive Director

Enclosure: Information about Appeal Rights

I, Jacob Berkey, certify that I mailed a copy of this order to the Respondent(s) at his/her/its respective address, postage pre-paid, on the date stated herein.

Signed 

Date 8/15/13