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Public Disclosure Commission
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Re: Glen Morgan Complaint

Dear To Whom It May Concern:

This letter responds to the complaint from Mr. Glen Morgan on November 3, 2017 concerning Mari Leavitt's 2016 campaign for State Representative in the 28th LD. Thank you for the opportunity to address concerns as outlined. Although this campaign was not successful, we worked hard and with intent to be fully transparent by following all campaign finance rules and by filing complete and accurate reports. Below I address each of the alleged violations identified in Mr. Morgan's complaint.

1. Timely and accurate C3 and C4 Reports.

None of the reports that Mr. Morgan lists in his complaint were filed late. They were either not required to be filed, an amendment, or filed by a PDC approved deadline. We filed almost 100 C3, C4, and LMC reports during the course of this campaign demonstrating a firm commitment to filing timely reports. We also toiled hard to ensure we were meeting deadlines as published by the PDC.

- a. C4 (Reference# 100751187) C4 reports are only required to be filed if the committee had contributions and expenditure over \$200 since the last C4 was filed. This report covering January 1, 2017 to February 28, 2017 had \$3.80 of activity.
- b. C3 (Reference #100727057) This report was originally filed on time and was later amended.
- c. C4 (Reference #100709032) This report was originally filed on time and was later amended.
- d. C4 (Reference #100729015) This report was originally filed on time and was later amended.
- e. C3 (Reference #100737517) This deposit was made after the election and was reported on time on December 12, 2016. December 10, 2016 fell on a Saturday and the PDC filing calendar noted that the post-election reports were due on December 12, 2016*.
- f. C3 (Reference #10037516) This deposit was made after the election and was reported on time on December 12, 2016. December 10, 2016 fell on a Saturday and the PDC filing calendar noted that the post-election reports were due on December 12, 2016*.
- g. C3 (Reference #100705435) This report was filed on time on July 5, 2016 following the national holiday on July 4, 2016*.
- h. C3 (Reference #100705434) This report was filed on time on July 5, 2016 following the national holiday on July 4, 2016*.
- i. C3 (Reference #100718957) This report was filed on time on September 6, 2016 following Labor Day on September 5, 2016*.

j. C3 (Reference #100718958) This report was filed on time on September 6, 2016 following Labor Day on September 5, 2016*.

k. C3 Reference #100718960) This report was filed on time on September 6, 2016 following Labor Day on September 5, 2016*.

* Per an email from Jennifer Hansen at the PDC "Reporting due dates that fall on weekends or holidays are due the next business day."

2. Timely and accurate reporting of debt.

This committee reported debt items in a timely manner on each C4 report. It appears from this complaint that Mr. Morgan simply lists most of the committee's expenses and claims they should have been reported as debt on the previous C4 report without explanation or review. For example, he claims a printing expense from Northwest Passage for \$6,368.67 should have been reported as debt on the 21 day pre-general report and it was fact reported as debt on the 21 day pre-general report. Everything on his list of debt items were either reported as debt on the appropriate C4, a pre-payment of a future expense, or an expense that was incurred and paid within the same reporting period.

3. Expense descriptions.

The description of each campaign expenditure at issue is identified on the campaign reports. The reports identified the parties to whom each expenditure was paid, the dollar value, and the purpose of the expenditure, which is consistent with the requirements under state law. We would be happy to provide more detail upon request.

Again, we thank you for the opportunity to address this complaint. Please let us know if you have any questions or require further information. We will adhere to any and all requirements that you require.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Naughton

Suzanne Naughton, Treasurer
Friends of Mari Leavitt