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September 17, 2018

Sent electronically to Senator Hans Zeiger at hans@hanszeiger.com

Subject: Hans Zeiger Complaint Return Letter, PDC Case No. 30908

Mr. Zeiger:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter sent to Dmitri Iglitzin concerning a complaint he filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) on January 30, 2018. The complaint alleged that your 2016 campaign for State Senator in the 25th legislative District, may have violated RCW 42.17A.220 by failing to timely deposit monetary contributions received within five days, and RCW 42.17A.235 by failing to timely file Monetary Contributions reports (C-3 reports).

As noted in the letter to Mr. Iglitzin, the PDC will not be conducting a more formal investigation into these allegations or taking further enforcement action in this matter. However, PDC staff is reminding you of the importance of timely depositing monetary contributions received within five business days, including the C-3 reports for the 2020 Campaign, and any future campaigns.

If you have questions, you may contact me at (360) 586-2869, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at erick.agina@pdcc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Endorsed by:

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Subject: Hans Zeiger Complaint Return Letter, PDC Case No. 30908

Dear Mr. Iglitzin:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on January 30, 2018. The complaint alleged that Hans Zeiger, an incumbent State Senator and a candidate seeking election to that office in 2016, violated RCW 42.17A.220, .235 and .240 by failing to timely deposit and timely file Monetary Contributions reports (C-3 reports).

The Attorney General's Office (AGO) notified PDC staff that their office would not be taking action against Hans Zeiger concerning the Citizen Action Notice you filed with their office.

PDC staff reviewed the allegations listed in the complaint in light of PDC laws and rules in order to determine whether a formal investigation or enforcement action is warranted. Staff reviewed the Monetary Contributions reports (C-3 reports), filed by the Hans Zeiger Campaign (Campaign), and the August 4, 2018 response letter from Hans Zeiger. Based on staff's investigation and review of the pertinent materials, including Senator Zeiger's response to the allegations, we found the following:

- On August 26, 2015, Hans Zeiger filed a Candidate Registration (C-1 report) declaring his candidacy for State Senator in 2016, selecting the Full Reporting Option and listing Jose Leos as the campaign treasurer. On February 10, 2017, Senator Zeiger filed a C-1 report declaring his candidacy for re-election in 2020. Prior to that he served three terms as State Representative.

Allegation One: Failure to timely deposit monetary contributions

- Monetary contributions are required to be deposited into the campaign bank account within five business days of receipt – RCW 42.17A.220.
- Report # 100674917: On January 11, 2016, the Campaign timely filed a C-3 report (January 10, 2016 was a Sunday) disclosing \$1,175 in monetary contribution received on December 11, 2015, from four contributors, and

deposited into the Campaign bank account on December 21, 2015. The four contributions were required to be deposited on December 18, 2016 and were deposited three days late.

- Report #100700094: On June 9, 2016, the Campaign filed a C-3 report disclosing \$1,900 in monetary contribution received between May 7 through May 28, 2016, from at least eight itemized contributors, and deposited into the Campaign bank account on May 28, 2016. The eight contributions were required to be deposited between May 14 through May 28, 2016 and were deposited between 7-14 days late.
- Report # 100701940: On June 13, 2016, the Campaign timely filed a C-3 report disclosing \$100 for two monetary contribution received on May 31, 2016 and deposited into the Campaign bank account on June 8, 2016. The two contributions were required to be deposited by June 6, 2016 and were deposited two days late.
- Report # 100703594: On June 23, 2016, the Campaign timely filed a C-3 report disclosing \$500 for a monetary contribution received from PEMCO on June 14, 2016 and deposited into the Campaign bank account on June 22, 2016. The contribution was required to be deposited by June 21, 2016 and was deposited one day late.

The 2016 Han's Zeiger Campaign (Campaign) received approximately \$278,337 in contributions, and made expenditures totaling more than \$218,493 in the 2016 election. While the Campaign failed to timely deposit four contributions listed on four C-3 reports, the deposits were made one to three days late for three of the C-3 reports, and all three C-3 reports were timely filed. Staff noted that the Campaign filed a total of 111 initial and amended C-3 reports during the 2016 election cycle.

Based on the above, the PDC staff found no evidence of a material violation that would require conducting a more formal investigation into your complaint or pursuing enforcement action in this instance. PDC staff has reminded Mr. Zeiger of the importance of timely depositing monetary contributions received within five business days for all future campaigns.

Therefore, PDC is returning your complaint filed against Senator Hans Zeiger without taking any formal action

If you have questions, you may contact me at (360) 586-2869, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at erick.agina@pdc.wa.gov.

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