

Complaint Description

File a Formal Complaint - Liz Hallock

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Complaint regarding undisclosed campaign contributions, potentially from an Employer, and from a Non-Profit 501(c)(3) and political advertising lacking requisite disclaimers and party affiliation. Alleged violations of RCW 42.17A.310 (electioneering communication contribution) and RCW 42.17A.305 (contribution reporting), WAC section 390-18 (required advertising disclaimers), and WAC 390-16-207 ("in-kind" contributions), which, in part, reads as follows:

An in-kind contribution also occurs when a person makes an expenditure that

I am writing this complaint to stress to the importance of our state's campaign finance laws to my fellow legislative candidates. It's important that we have candidates who are making their best efforts to understand and follow the principles of open government.

There are times when my business has sponsored community charity events during this campaign, but my personal identifying information was not listed on the marketing material or program. It would have no reason to be, other than to promote myself as a political candidate.

On September 8th, I attended a charity silent auction and fashion show event held by the Yakima Junior League, a registered non-profit. It was an excellent event. The program stated that the MC was Chris Corry. To my knowledge, Chris Corry has no other celebrity name recognition in Yakima, (such as elected official, sports athlete, disc jockey), other than being a political candidate. His choice as MC was, in the least, interesting, but nothing that violates PDC rules, as long as he did not mention he was running for something during the event. No other candidates, as far as I know, were personally invited to this event, and certainly no others were invited to speak. I did not stay long enough for the talk portion of the event. However, at the entrance guests were greeted with a wine glass paid for by the organization, presumable by the sponsors listed on the glass. The glass was larger than 2x2 inches. The word "HUB" was featured, the name of the insurance company that has employed Mr. Corry since 2017, when he first got his insurance brokerage license. Beneath "HUB" were two words with no other identifying marks, such as Democrat or Republican: Chris Corry.

It is not typical for charity events to place the name of an MC on their marketing materials. Unless there is something significant about that person's status. In this case, Mr. Corry's significant status is that he is running for office. The placement of his name on the glass that every guest received was, most likely, campaign advertising.

It is not clear whether Chris Corry donated to the Junior League in order to have his name put on the glass, or if HUB donated funding and thus, financed Mr. Corry's campaign.

If it was campaign advertising, it lacked the requisite candidate information, party affiliation, and required disclaimer: who paid for these glasses? The campaign has not disclosed this information to the PDC.

I was recently at an event where I was a sponsor, and so was HUB. My business' name was on the marketing material, as was HUB's. But nowhere did our personal names appear. I am not certain on this, but I believe Mr. Corry's wife was one of the organizers for this Junior League event. Very intentionally, it appears, the candidate used a non-profit event as a platform for promotion of his political candidacy, without disclosing to the PDC the cost of the event venue, meals, advertising and marketing with his name in it, as a campaign contribution.

501(c)(3)s are barred from promoting political candidates. But that is not within the purview of the PDC.

Sincerely,

s/Liz Hallock

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What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?

Failure to disclose corporate sponsor and/or charity sponsor.

List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found.

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photograph of wine glass

List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them.

Complaint Certification:

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that information provided with this complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.



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