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Mr. Lemp:

Per your request, the following is in response to a complaint filed with the PDC regarding the 2010, 2014, and 2018 People for Prosecutor Mark Lindquist campaigns.

News articles are not required to be reported as in-kind contributions.

The venue for the 2016 Family Friendly Summer Celebration, a public access park, does not charge a fee for community events. As a result, there was nothing of value received to report as an in-kind contribution.

The Beatniks are a local band. Their performances at People for Prosecutor Lindquist campaign events were reported to the PDC as in kind contributions for their 2016 and 2010 performances. Their 2014 performance has now also been reported as an in-kind contribution in addition to their \$1200 payment.

Peter Buck is a retired member of the band R.E.M. Mr. Buck made his living playing guitar and writing music for R.E.M. He sometimes plays with friends and their bands for fun. He does not charge for playing with friends. He did not play with his band R.E.M. at any Lindquist campaign events. As a result, there was nothing to report as an in-kind contribution.

Molly Ringwald is an actress. She sang the Star Spangled Banner at a campaign event and sang along on one or two other songs. Like Mr. Buck, she has been known to join bands on stage. Like Peter Buck, she does not charge for this and as a result there was nothing to report as in-kind contribution. Likewise, Prosecutor Lindquist played guitar with the band and did not report this as an in-kind contribution.

Almost all campaigns involve friends and family of the candidate who participate in the campaign in various ways. The fact that several friends of the candidate may be famous does not convert their participation at an event into an in-kind contribution.

Alex Hays and his firm have repeatedly billed and been paid for a variety of services for the Lindquist campaign from 2010 to the present. Mr. Hays, in his capacity as a political consultant in the field, is sometimes contacted by the media to make comments about campaigns. These comments, like news articles, are not required to be reported as in-kind contributions.

The Landmark Convention Center charged a fee for the use of the Temple Theater for the 2014 campaign kickoff. That fee was paid for by the campaign and reported to the PDC in 2014. There was therefore no in-kind contribution to be reported for use of the venue.

The Landmark Convention Center operated a no host bar at the 2014 kickoff event, with attendees paying for beverages. The campaign did not pay for or provide these items to attendees. As a result, the Landmark Convention Center did not provide these items to the campaign as an in kind contribution. Some food and beverages were purchased by the campaign for the 2014 kickoff, but they were provided to the campaign's volunteer staffers and performers before, during, and after the event, not to attendees.

The 2010 campaign kickoff was held at the Heidelberg Brewery, a largely abandoned industrial warehouse which was used for storage at the time. Soon after the election, it was demolished. As it was not a facility open for rent to events, and was essentially derelict at the time of the kickoff, there was no value received by the campaign for the use of the space. Since there was no value received by the campaign, no in kind contribution was reported.

In response to the complainant's deceptive email to King's Books, the store owner indicates "we generally don't charge for the use of our space." Though the store may "sometimes" charge a fee for fundraisers, this was never raised with the campaign, which has been having book events at the book store for many years. As a result, no in-kind contribution was reported, as no value was received by the campaign for use of the space.

The various auctions performed by the campaign were reported utilizing the standard C3 and C4 forms, rather than the specific auction form. All contributions received at all of the auctions were reported to the PDC via C3 form, and all items were reported either as in kind contributions or as purchases via C4 form. For any future auction events, the campaign will utilize the specific auction forms rather than the standard C3 and C4 forms.

The campaign has consistently and timely reported donations as well as all expenses. The sometimes strange allegations raised by the complainant are not only unfounded, but make no sense. The intent of the campaign is to be abundantly open as evidenced by the fact that all of these fundraisers, the participants, and the respective locations were openly publicized.