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#### **Docket No. 10-35832**

# In the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

#### Family PAC,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

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Rob McKenna, et al.,

Defendants-Appellants.

Appeal from a Decision of the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington, No. 09-cv-5662 Honorable Ronald B. Leighton

**Appendix to Family PAC's Opposition to Appellant's Emergency Motion for Stay Under Circuit Rule 27-3** 

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DEPUTY 3 5 6 09-CV-05662-CMP 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON TACOMA DIVISION 9 10 11 FAMILY PAC. No. 12 Plaintiffs, **DECLARATORY AND INJUNCTIVE** VS. RELIEF 13 SAM REED, in his official capacity as Secretary of State of Washington, ROB 14 MCKENNA, in his official capacity as 15 Attorney General of Washington, JIM CLEMENTS, DAVID SEABROOK, JANE NOLAND, and KEN SCHELLBERG, 16 members of the Public Disclosure 17 Commission, in their official capacities, and, CAROLYN WEIKEL, in her official capacity as Auditor of Snohomish County, Washington, 18 19 Defendants. 20 21 Family PAC complains and alleges as follows: Introduction 23 This is a civil action for declaratory and injunctive relief arising under the First and Fourteenth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States. 27 28 Verified Complaint 1 **BOPP, COLESON & BOSTROM** 1 South Sixth Street Terre Haute, Indiana 47807-3510 (812) 232-2434

- This case concerns the pre-enforcement, facial and as-applied constitutional challenge to Washington's Public Disclosure Law, Wash. Rev. Code ("RCW") § 42.17.010, et seq. ("PDL").
   Plaintiff seeks declaratory and injunctive relief with respect to portions of the PDL because they violate the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, as incorporated by virtue of the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution. Consequently, each is unconstitutional on its face and as applied to Plaintiff Family PAC.
   Plaintiff Family PAC challenges the PDL's threshold for reporting contributions, RCW § 42.17.090(1)(b), both facially and as-applied to it, on the ground that the threshold is not
- 4. Plaintiff Family PAC also challenges the PDL's \$5,000 campaign contribution limit during the twenty-one days preceding a general election, RCW § 42.17.105(8), both facially and as-applied to it, on the grounds that it is not narrowly tailored to serve a compelling government interest in violation of the First Amendment to the United States Constitution. See Citizens Against Rent Control v. City of Berkeley, 454 U.S. 290, 299-300 (1981) ("CARC") (holding that contribution limits are unconstitutional in the context of a referendum election).

narrowly tailored to serve a compelling government interest in violation of the First Amendment

5. Given the nature of the rights asserted, the failure to obtain injunctive relief from this Court will result in immediate and irreparable injury to Plaintiff.

#### **Jurisdiction and Venue**

- 6. This case raises questions under the Constitution of the United States and 42 U.S.C. § 1983, and thus this Court has jurisdiction over all claims for relief pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1343(a).
- 7. This Court also has jurisdiction under the Declaratory Judgment Act. See 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201, 2202.
- 8. The Western District of Washington is the proper venue for this case pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b) because Defendant Reed resides in this district and Plaintiff Family PAC has its principal place of business in this district.

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to the United States Constitution.

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**Parties** 

- 9. Plaintiff Family PAC is a State Continuing Political Committee organized pursuant to RCW § 42.17.040, that is a "political committee . . . of continuing existence not established in anticipation of any particular election campaign" (RCW § 42.17.020(14) (definition of "continuing political committee") and has its principal place of business in Snohomish County, Washington. It intends to support traditional family values in Washington State by soliciting and receiving contributions, and by making contributions and expenditures to support or oppose ballot propositions in the 2009 election and beyond. Its initial project is to support referendum 71 on SB 5688 and to encourage voters to reject SB 5688. In the future, it will only support or oppose ballot measures, not candidates.
- 10. Defendant Sam Reed is the Secretary of State of Washington. In his official capacity, Defendant Reed is responsible for receiving referendum petitions pursuant to RCW § 29A.72.010. The Office of the Secretary of State is also designated as a place where the public may file papers or correspond with the Public Disclosure Commission and receive any form or instruction from the Commission. RCW § 42.17.380.
- 11. Defendant Rob McKenna is the Attorney General for the State of Washington. In his official capacity, Defendant McKenna is charged with supplying such assistance as the Public Disclosure Commission may require. RCW § 42.17.380. Defendant McKenna is also granted the authority to investigate and bring civil actions on behalf of the state for any violations of the PDL. RCW § 42.17.400.
- 12. Defendant Jim Clements is the Chair of the Public Disclosure Commission. Defendant Clements is sued in his official capacity and is subject to the jurisdiction of this Court. Defendants David Seabrook, Jane Noland, and Ken Schellberg are commissioners of the Public Disclosure Commission. They are sued in their official capacity. The Public Disclosure Commission is granted the authority to enforce the PDL, RCW § 42.17.360(7).
- 13. Defendant Carolyn Weikel is the Auditor of Snohomish County, Washington. In her official capacity, Defendant Weikel is charged with receiving copies of reports filed by Plaintiff Family PAC. RCW §§ 42.17.040(1), 42.17.040(2).

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#### **Facts**

- 14. Pursuant to Wash. Const. art. II, § 1(b), the referendum power is reserved by the people of Washington State.
- 15. The referendum power grants Washington citizens the right to call a referendum on any act, bill, law, or any part thereof passed by the legislature by submitting a petition to that effect to the Secretary of State. Wash. Const. art. II, § 1(b).
- 16. If a petition submitted to the Secretary of State contains at least four percent of the votes cast for the office of governor at the last gubernatorial election preceding the filing of the referendum petition, the effective date of the act, bill, law, or any part thereof is delayed until the electorate has an opportunity to vote on the referendum. Wash. Const. art. II, §§ 1(b), (d).
- 17. An act, bill, law, or any part thereof, subject to a referendum, becomes law only if a majority of the votes cast are in favor of the referendum. Wash. Const. art. II, § 1(d).
- 18. On January 28, 2009, Washington State Senator Ed Murray introduced Senate Bill 5688 ("SB 5688"), a bill designed to expand the rights, responsibilities, and obligations accorded state-registered same-sex and senior domestic partners to be equivalent to those of married spouses. The legislation is commonly referred to simply as the "everything but marriage" domestic partnership bill.
- 19. On March 10, 2009, after various amendments, the Washington Senate passed Second Substitute Senate Bill 5688.
- **20.** On April 15, 2009, the Washington House of Representatives passed Second Substitute Senate Bill 5688.
- **21.** On or about October 21, 2009, Family PAC organized as a State Continuing Political Committee pursuant to RCW § 42.17.040.
- 22. Family PAC's general purpose is to support traditional family values in Washington State by soliciting and receiving contributions, and by making contributions and expenditures to support or oppose ballot propositions in the 2009 election and beyond. Its initial project is to support referendum 71 on SB 5688 and to encourage voters to reject SB 5688.
  - 23. Joseph Backholm is the campaign manager of Family PAC.

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- 24. On May 18, 2009, Washington Governor Christine Gregoire signed Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill 5688.1
- 25. On July 25, 2009, a petition with over 138,500 signatures was submitted to Defendant Reed, exceeding the number of signatures necessary to place a referendum question on the ballot.
- 26. SB 5688 will become law only if a majority of Washington residents vote to "approve" the bill at the next general election.
- 27. Persons intend now and in the future to contribute more than \$5,000 to Family PAC during the twenty-one days preceding the election, and Family PAC intends - now and in the future – to receive contributions in excess of \$5,000 during the twenty-one days preceding the election. Family PAC will not accept such contributions as long as Washington law prohibiting such contributions is not enjoined. RCW § 42.17.105(8).
- 28. Potential donors to Family PAC have indicated that they are unwilling to donate if Family PAC is required to report their name and address pursuant to the PDL.
- 29. Family PAC intends now and in the future to accept contributions in excess of \$25 and is required to report the name and address of those contributors. Family PAC will report the names and addresses of contributors as long as Washington law requiring such reporting is not enjoined.
- **30.** Family PAC intends now and in the future to accept contributions in excess of \$100 and is required to report the occupation, employer, and employer's address of those contributors. Family PAC will report the occupation, employer, and employer's address of contributors as long as Washington law requiring such reporting is not enjoined.

#### The Washington Public Disclosure Law

- 31. The PDL defines a "political committee" in relevant part as "any person having the expectation of receiving contributions or making expenditures in support of, or opposition to, any candidate or any ballot proposition." RCW § 42.17.020(39).
  - 32. "Ballot proposition" is defined in relevant part as "any . . . initiative, recall, or

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The enacted legislation subject to the referendum petition will be referred to simply as SB 5688. Verified Complaint

Case 3:09-cv-05662-RBL Document 1 Filed 10/21/2009 Page 6 of 12 1 referendum proposition proposed to be submitted to the voters of the state." RCW § 2 42.17.020(4). 3 33. "Person" is defined as "an individual, partnership, joint venture, public or private 4 corporation, association, federal, state, or local governmental entity or agency however 5 constituted, candidate, committee, political committee, political party, executive committee 6 thereof, or any other organization or group of persons, however organized." RCW § 7 42.17.020(36). 8 34. "Contribution" is defined broadly and includes legal and professional services 9 performed on a pro bono basis to a political committee. RCW § 42.17.020(15); Wash. Admin. 10 Code 390-17-405(2). See also Public Disclosure Commission, 2009 Campaign Disclosure 11 Instructions, at 24 & 31 (July 2009). 12 35. Family PAC and major donors are required to file reports with the Public Disclosure 13 Commission and the local county auditor or elections officer. See, e.g., RCW §§ 42.17.040(1) & 42.17.080(1). 14 15 **36.** The Public Disclosure Commission is required to keep copies of reports for ten years. 16 RCW § 42.17.450. All other recipients of reports (i.e. county auditor or elections officer) are required to keep copies for six years. RCW § 42.17.450. 17 37. All statements and reports filed in accordance with the PDL are public records of the 18 agency where they are filed and must be made available to the public during normal business 19 20 hours. RCW § 42.17.440. 38. Pursuant to RCW § 42.17.367, the Public Disclosure Commission is required to make 21 22 copies of all statements and reports available on the internet. See also http://www.pdc.wa.gov/ 23 OuerySystem/Default.aspx. 39. RCW § 42.17.090 provides, in relevant part, that each report required under RCW § 24 25 42.17.080 shall disclose: 26 the name and address of each person who has made one or more contributions during the period, together with the money value and date of such contributions and the aggregate value of all contributions received from each such person during the campaign. 27 PROVIDED FURTHER, That contributions of no more than twenty-five dollars in the 28 aggregate from any one person during the election campaign may be reported as one lump Verified Complaint BOPP, COLESON & BOSTROM 1 South Sixth Street Terre Haute, Indiana 47807-3510 (812) 232-2434

sum so long as the campaign treasurer maintains a separate and private list of the name, address, and amount of each such contributor . . . .

RCW § 42.17.090 (emphasis added).

- **40.** Pursuant to Wash. Admin. Code 390-16-034, all reports required under RCW § 42.17.080 shall also disclose the occupation, employer's name, and employer's address of each person who has made one or more contributions in the aggregate amount of more than \$100. Wash. Admin. Code 390-16-034 (emphasis added).
  - 41. Furthermore, the PDL provides that:

it is a violation of this chapter for any person to make, or for any candidate or political committee to accept from any one person, contributions reportable under RCW 42.17.090 in the aggregate . . . exceeding five thousand dollars for any other campaign subject to the provisions of this chapter within twenty-one days of a general election.

RCW § 42.17.105(8).

- **42.** Any person who violates a provision of the PDL is subject to civil fines and sanctions. RCW § 42.17.390. The PDL authorizes treble damages, RCW § 42.17.400(5), and provides that the State may be awarded attorney's fees and costs of investigation and trial in a successful action. RCW § 42.17.400(5).
- **43.** Plaintiff has suffered, or will suffer, irreparable harm if the requested relief is not granted.
  - 44. Plaintiff has no adequate remedy at law.

#### **Legal Arguments Common to Plaintiff's Claims**

- **45.** "The First Amendment is the pillar of a profound national commitment to the principle that debate on public issues should be uninhibited, robust, and wide-open . . . ." *Mont. Right to Life v. Eddlemann*, 999 F. Supp. 1380, 1384 (D. Mont. 1998).
- **46.** "In the free society ordained by our Constitution it is not the government, but the people—individually as citizens and candidates and collectively as associations and political committees—who must retain control over the quantity and range of debate on public issues in a political campaign." *Buckley v. Valeo*, 424 U.S. 1, 57 (1976).
- 47. In Buckley, the Supreme Court held that any significant encroachment on First

  Amendment rights, such as those imposed by compelled disclosure provisions, must survive

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exacting scrutiny, which requires the government to craft a narrowly tailored law to serve a

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48. The Supreme Court has recognized that the principles applied in *Buckley* apply as forcefully to activities surrounding the referenda process. *See Buckley v. Am. Constitutional Law Found.*, 525 U.S. 182, 192 (1999) ("ACLF") ("[T]he First Amendment requires us to be vigilant in making those judgments, to guard against undue hindrances to political conversations and the exchange of ideas. We therefore detail why we are satisfied that . . . the restrictions in question significantly inhibit communication with voters about proposed political change, and are not warranted by the state interests (administrative efficiency, fraud detection, informing voters) alleged to justify those restrictions.") (internal citations omitted); *Citizens Against Rent Control v. City of Berkeley*, 454 U.S. 290, 295 (1981) ("CARC") (applying *Buckley*'s contribution limit

49. The PDL also results in compelled political speech.

analysis in the context of ballot measure elections).

compelling government interest. Buckley, 424 U.S. at 64.

- **50.** The Supreme Court has repeatedly reaffirmed that "compelled disclosure, in itself, can seriously infringe on privacy of association and belief guaranteed by the First Amendment." *Davis v. FEC*, 554 U.S. \_\_\_\_\_, 128 S.Ct. 2759, 2774-75 (2008) (*quoting Buckley*, 424 U.S. at 64).
- **51.** To survive exacting scrutiny, the PDL must be narrowly tailored to serve a compelling government interest. *Buckley*, 424 U.S. at 64).
- **52.** The burden is on the State to demonstrate that the PDL are narrowly tailored to serve a compelling state interest. *Cal. Pro-Life Council, Inc. v. Randolph*, 507 F.3d 1172, 1178 (9th Cir. 2007) ("*CPLC IF*") (*citing Republican Party of Minnesota v. White*, 536 U.S. 765, 774-75 (2002)).
- 53. In the context of the First Amendment, the usual deference granted to the legislature does "not foreclose [a court's] independent judgment of the facts bearing on an issue of constitutional law." *Turner Broad. Sys. v. FEC*, 512 U.S. 622, 666 (1994) (internal citations omitted). The Court's role is to ensure that the legislature "has drawn *reasonable inferences* based on *substantial* evidence." *Id.* (emphasis added).

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- **54.** The Supreme Court has stated that three governmental interests may justify campaign disclosure laws if the regulations are narrowly tailored to serve those interests. *Buckley*, 424 U.S. at 66-68 (identifying an "informational interest," a "corruption interest," and an "enforcement interest.").
- 55. However, *Buckley* involved only candidate elections, and the courts have clarified that the "corruption" and "enforcement" interests are inapplicable in the context of referenda elections. *First Nat'l Bank of Boston v. Bellotti*, 435 U.S. 765, 790 (1978) ("The risk of corruption perceived in cases involving candidate elections simply is not present in a popular vote on a public issue."); *Cal. Pro-Life Council, Inc. v. Getman*, 328 F.3d 1088, 1105 n. 23 (9th Cir. 2003) ("*CPLC P*") ("The interest in collecting data to detect violations also does not apply since there is no cap on ballot-measure contributions . . . .").
- 56. The Ninth Circuit recently held that compelled disclosure of *de minimis* support of a referenda is also unconstitutional under the First Amendment. *See Canyon Ferry Road Baptist Church of East Helena, Inc. v. Unsworth*, 556 F.3d 1021, 1033 (9th Cir. 2009).
- 57. The Supreme Court has also indicated that limits and thresholds that are not indexed for inflation "will almost inevitably become too low over time." *Randall v. Sorrell*, 548 U.S. 230, 261 (2006).
- 58. In materially similar situations in the future, Plaintiff intends to do speech materially similar to all of its planned speech such that Washington law will apply to Plaintiff as it does now.
- 59. In the future, it is likely that referenda regarding traditional family values will recur. It is likely that issues will arise in the future, and persons will be interested in supporting or opposing referenda, as they are in 2009, as noted above.

# Count I — The Public Disclosure Law's Requirement that Political Committees Report All Contributors of \$25 or More is Unconstitutional

**60.** Plaintiff incorporates here by reference paragraphs one through fifty-nine (59), *supra*, as if fully set forth herein.

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Case 3:09-cv-05662-RBL Filed 10/21/2009 Document 1 Page 10 of 12 61. The PDL's requirement that political committees report the name and address of all 1 2 contributors of more than \$25, and the occupation, employer, and employer's address of contributors of more than \$100, violates the First Amendment because the disclosure thresholds 3 4 are not narrowly tailored to serve a compelling government interest. 62. WHEREFORE, Plaintiff request the following relief: 5 6 a. Declare RCW § 42.17.090 unconstitutional to the extent that it requires Family PAC and all other similar persons to report the name and address of contributors of more than 8 twenty-five dollars; 9 **b.** Declare Wash. Admin. Code 390-16-034 unconstitutional to the extent that it requires a 10 Family PAC and all other similar persons to report the occupation, employer, and 11 employer's address of contributions of more than one hundred dollars; 12 Order Defendants to expunge all records containing the name, address, occupation, employer, and/or employer's address for any contributor reported pursuant to RCW § 13 14 42.17.090 and/or Wash. Admin. Code 390-16-034; 15 d. Enjoin Defendants from commencing any civil actions for failing to comply with RCW § 42.17.090(1)(b) or Wash. Admin. Code 390-16-034; 16 Grant Plaintiff Family PAC its costs and attorneys fees under 42 U.S.C. § 1988 and any 17 18 other applicable authority; and Any and all other such relief as may be just and equitable. 19 20 Count II — The Public Disclosure Law's Prohibition on Aggregate Contributions Exceeding \$5,000 to a Single Political Committee During the Twenty-One Days Preceding an Election is Unconstitutional As Applied to Referenda Elections 21 22 63. Plaintiffs incorporate here by reference paragraphs one through sixty-two (62), supra, as 23 24 if fully set forth herein. **64.** Any and all contribution limits on contributions to committees formed to support or 25 oppose ballot measures submitted to popular vote contravene the First Amendment rights of 26 association and expression. Citizens Against Rent Control v. City of Berkeley, 454 U.S. 290, 296 27 28 (1981) ("CARC"). 10 Verified Complaint **BOPP, COLESON & BOSTROM** 1 South Sixth Street Terre Haute, Indiana 47807-3510 (812) 232-2434

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1 1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 2 AT TACOMA 3 4 FAMILY PAC, Docket No. C09-5662RBL 5 Plaintiff, Tacoma, Washington October 27, 2009 6 ٧. 7 SAM REED, in his official capacity as Secretary of State of Washington, ROB MCKENNA, in 8 his official capacity as Attorney General of Washington, JIM CLEMENTS, DAVID SEABROOK, 10 JANE NOLAND, and KEN SCHELLBERG, members of the Public Disclosure Commission, in their official capacities, and CAROLYN WEIKEL, 11 in her official capacity as 12 Auditor of Snohomish County, Washington, 13 14 Defendants, 15 16 TRANSCRIPT OF COURT'S ORAL RULING 17 BEFORE THE HONORABLE RONALD B. LEIGHTON UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE. 18 19 APPEARANCES: 20 For the Plaintiff: SCOTT F. BIENIEK Bopp, Coleson & Bostrom 21 The National Building 1 South Sixth Street 22 Terre Haute, Indiana 47807-3510 23 JOSEPH BACKHOLM 16108 Ash Way, Suite 111A 24 Lynnwood, Washington 98087 25

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THE COURT: Let me thank counsel for excellent briefing and remarks under trying circumstances given the press of time. A decision is important at this point given this temporal relationship between this motion and the election next Tuesday.

I do not believe that the criteria for imposition of a temporary restraining order or a preliminary injunction have been met on this record, and the motion will be denied. I do not believe that there is a real emergency that -- I certainly sympathize with Mr. Bieniek in terms of when he was authorized to take action on behalf of a client who wanted to engage in the electoral process in the State of Washington, but the reality is, is that I do not believe that the emergency -- I mean, in this case the emergency and the constraints imposed upon the plaintiff are self-inflicted.

That is not dispositive of the issue, certainly, but I will say that on the record that is before this Court, there is not a likelihood of success on the merits that has been demonstrated. You've probably gathered from my questions, I think the state has a real and vital interest in providing information to voters about where the money in elections come from.

As I indicated earlier, I think this case is a far cry from the John Doe case, and for the reasons that have been

articulated by the state and by the intervenors, the issues are different, and for that reason the outcome will be different here.

There is no evidence on this record of irreparable harm. Evidence of a contributor who can't give \$5,000 but would have given \$5,000 before, that is, I will say, the one aspect of this lawsuit that I think may have some real merit. I'm not sure that the prevention of a sudden influx of money is the substantial and important government interest that would sustain the burden on freedom of speech and participation in the election process.

Having said that, the record is simply inadequate to make that determination at this time. I do not want to overemphasize my concern because this has hit all counsel suddenly, and there may be very real reasons having to do with the state's informational interest in informing the public that I haven't been able to seize upon as I have cogitated about the subject. But it seems to be more related to preventing expenditures than providing information.

Having said that, based on the record before this Court, I am not prepared to make a decision that in fact that limitation is contrary to the First Amendment freedom of speech.

With regard to the low threshold of \$25 and \$100, I'm far more comfortable in saying that I am not able to find that

there's a likelihood of success on the merits. I think that such limits have been widely accepted by trial courts, courts of appeal, and the Supreme Court, and I think that there are obvious and ample reasons for the state to want the relatively low threshold as part of its informational interests in informing the public of where the money is coming from for a candidate or, in this case, a referendum issue.

Ultimately, and perhaps most significantly, I do not believe that it is in the public interest for a court a week before an election to intervene and change the rules of the game at the last minute. I recognize that the disclosure laws impose some burden of self confidence and conviction in order to participate as a contributor in an election of any kind, and I recognize that freedom of speech is not simply for the strong and the fleet of foot. It is also for the timid and the meek.

But when it comes to campaign finance, there are competing First Amendment rights at stake, and it seems to me that the State of Washington at this point has achieved a balance which meets constitutional standards, and perhaps more importantly, is met with widespread public acceptance. I am loathed to upset that statutory structure based on the meager record that I have before me.

So for those reasons, the motion for temporary restraining order and the motion for preliminary injunction are denied.

Any further questions or comments?
Mr. Bieniek.

MR. BIENIEK: Your Honor, I think we have a pending motion to expedite in light of the Court's denial of the PI and TRO. I would respectfully request that the case be expedited so that we can move towards summary judgment as quickly as possible at this point.

THE COURT: Ms. Dalton.

MS. DALTON: Yes, Your Honor. I have actually contacted the firm yesterday and specifically requested that once those matters were noted that we have an opportunity to respond to the other motions, including the motion to expedite. We would, of course, be resisting that.

Given the fact that the Court has now denied both the preliminary injunction and the restraining order, there's no need that this case would not proceed under the ordinary course and deliberately before this Court, and so we would like an opportunity to at least be able to respond in writing to that.

THE COURT: How much time do you need?

MS. DALTON: I would probably have it done by the end of the week.

THE COURT: I'm going to note the motion for the 30th. I don't anticipate oral argument being necessary. Get your papers in by the end of the week, and I will give Mr.

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    Bieniek until the end of the business day on the 27th to get
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             MR. BIENIEK:
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             THE COURT: I'm sorry, I'm a week off.
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             MR. BIENIEK: Do you want it noted for the 6th?
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             THE COURT: I want it noted for the 6th, and get your
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             MS. DALTON: We will file ours on the 30th; theirs on
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             MR. BIENIEK: Thank you, Your Honor.
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        I certify that the foregoing is a correct transcript from
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON TACOMA DIVISION				
Family PAC,	No. 09-C	V-5662-RBL		
Plaintiff, vs.	DECLA) MONA I	RATION OF PASSIGNANO		
McKenna, et al,	The Hono	orable Ronald B. Leighton		
Defendants.				
I, Mona Passignano, make the following declaration pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746:  1. I am a resident of the state of Colorado over 18 years of age, and my statements herein based on personal knowledge.  2. I am the Lead Analyst for State Issues at Focus on the Family/Focus on the Family Action. Focus on the Family is a global Christian ministry dedicated to helping families thrive We provide help and resources for couples to build healthy marriages that reflect God's design and for parents to raise their children according to morals and values grounded in biblical principles. Focus on the Family Action ("Focus Action") is active in the promotion of social welfare by addressing the Christian community and the Christian's responsibility in the public policy arena, both locally and nationally. Since the events described in this declaration, Focus				
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Action has changed its name to CitizenLink, but the events described in this declaration took place before the name change.

- 3. In 1988 Dr. James C. Dobson and Focus on the Family, along with business, professional and community leaders from across the nation helped form state-based organizations called *Family Policy Councils* (FPCs) to invest in the future of America's families. These Councils are independent entities with no corporate or financial relationship to each other, or to Focus on the Family. Their purpose, however, is uniform: to serve as a voice for the traditional, Judeo-Christian family. Focus on the Family/Focus Action is associated with 37 state-based family policy councils including the one in Washington State. Because of the working relationship, we routinely provide legislation and ballot issue resources to these state councils upon request.
- 4. Focus Action first became involved with Referendum 71 while Senate Bill 5688 (eventually passed as Second Substitute Senate Bill 5688), the bill that became the subject of Referendum 71, was being debated in the Washington legislature.
- 5. Although Focus Action was involved with the legislative actions that preceded Referendum 71, Focus Action was not involved in the petition process to place Referendum 71 on the November 2009 ballot.
- 6. In September 2009, Focus Action began its efforts regarding Referendum 71 in earnest. Shortly after this, we discussed the possibility of a donation regarding the Referendum 71 campaign with Joseph Backholm, who was the director of the FPC based in Washington State.
- 7. Our original intention was to make a donation of \$60,000 to a group involved in the Referendum 71 campaign. Ultimately, we decided that we would like to donate the money to a new organization, Family PAC.
- 8. Upon making this decision, we informed one of our attorneys that we were planning on giving Family PAC \$60,000. Specifically, this money would be spent on radio ads that would begin to air on October 13, 2009.
  - 9. Our attorney informed us that we could not write this check to Family PAC at this date in

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the referendum process. Specifically, RCW § 42.17.105(8) prevented us from making a donation of over \$5,000 to Family PAC during the 21 days preceding the November 2009 general election. Thus, we could not give this money to Family PAC on October 12, 2009 or later, as we desired to do. 10. Because of the possibility that the State of Washington could take legal action based upon violations of RCW § 42.17.105(8), Focus Action did not initiate communications with Family PAC after the 21 day cut off for donations. 11. On October 13, 2009, Family PAC asked Focus Action to contribute \$20,000 to a phone campaign. Because of RCW § 42.17.105(8), we were unable to make this contribution. 12. Although we were eventually able to participate in the Referendum 71 campaign through other methods, RCW § 42.17.105(8) prevented Focus Action from participating in Referendum 71 in the manner we had desired. 13. If RCW § 42.17.105(8) had not been in place, Focus Action would have made a donation of \$60,000 to Family PAC in the twenty-one days preceding the November 2009 election, in addition to the \$20,000 that Family PAC later asked for. I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE FOREGOING IS TRUE AND CORRECT. Executed on: May 18, 2010. BOPP, COLESON & BOSTROM 3 Declaration of 1 South Sixth Street Mona Passignano Terre Haute, Indiana 47807-3510 (No. 09-CV-5662-RBL) (812) 232-2434 Case: 10-35832 09/27/2010 Page: 28 of 77 ID: 7487286 DktEntry: 5-2

Case 3:09-cv-05662-RBL Document 67 Filed 05/19/2010 Page 4 of 4 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** 1 2 I, Sarah E. Troupis, am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the above-captioned 3 action. My business address is 1 South Sixth Street; Terre Haute, Indiana 47807-3510. 4 On May 19, 2010, I electronically filed the foregoing document described as Declaration of 5 Mona Passignano with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification 6 of such filing to: 7 Linda A. Dalton 8 lindad@atg.wa.gov 9 Counsel for Defendant Rob McKenna 10 and Defendant Members of the Public Disclosure Commission 11 Nancy J. Krier 12 nkrier@pdc.wa.gov Counsel for Defendant Members of the Public Disclosure Commission 13 14 I declare under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Indiana that the above is 15 true and correct. Executed this 19th day of May, 2010. 16 17 s/ Sarah E. Troupis Sarah E. Troupis 18 Counsel for All Plaintiffs 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 Declaration of BOPP, COLESON & BOSTROM Mona Passignano 1 South Sixth Street (No. 09-CV-5662-RBL) Terre Haute, Indiana 47807-3510 (812) 232-2434

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14	Attorney General of Washington, and Jim Clements, David Seabrook, Jane Noland,	The Honorable Ronald B. Leighton
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- I, Scott F. Bieniek, make the following declaration pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746:
- 1. I am an attorney at law licensed to practice in the State of Illinois.
- 2. I am an attorney at the law office of Bopp, Coleson & Bostrom in Vigo County, Indiana.
- 3. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth in this declaration, and if called as a witness, I can and would testify competently thereto.
- **4.** The documents attached hereto as Exhibits 1–7 are true and correct copies of documents produced by Defendants in response to Plaintiff's Request for Production of Documents.
- 5. For the convenience of the Court, the documents are organized into exhibits that relate to specific arguments Plaintiff Family PAC's motion for summary judgment.
- 6. Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 10(e)(10), the exhibits are marked to designate evidence referenced in Plaintiff Family PAC's motion for summary judgment.

I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE FOREGOING IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

Executed this 19th day of May, 2010.

Scott E Bieniek

Counsel for Plaintiff Family PAC

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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Sarah E. Troupis, am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the above-captioned action. My business address is 1 South Sixth Street; Terre Haute, Indiana 47807-3510.

On May 19, 2010, I electronically filed the foregoing document described as Declaration of Scott F. Bieniek in Support of Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to:

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and Defendant Members of the Public Disclosure Commission

Nancy J. Krier

<u>nkrier@pdc.wa.gov</u>

Counsel for Defendant Members of the Public Disclosure Commission

I declare under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Indiana that the above is true and correct. Executed this 19th day of May, 2010.

/s/ Sarah E. Troupis
Sarah E. Troupis
Counsel for Plaintiff Family PAC

Decl. of Scott F. Bieniek in Supp. of Pl.'s Mot. for Summ. J.

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December 11, 2008

JEREMY DEUTSCH, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WA STATE REPUBLICAN PARTY 2840 NORTHUP WAY, SUITE 140 BELLEVUE WA 98004

Subject: Complaint Against Evergreen Progress

Dear Mr. Deutsch:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has reviewed the complaint received from you via fax and e-mail on October 20, 2008 and via U.S. mail on October 23, 2008, alleging that Evergreen Progress, a political action committee, violated RCW 42.17.105(8) by accepting a contribution of more than \$5,000 during the 21 days before the general election. The contribution in question, a \$250,000 donation from SEIU PEA International, appeared on an LMC (last-minute contribution) report that was received by the PDC on October 17, 2008.

PDC staff spoke with Evergreen Progress' treasurer, Jason Bennett, on October 19, 2008. Mr. Bennett explained that, on October 13, they received a written pledge for \$250,000 from SEIU. The check arrived within 21 days of the general election (October 15), but the pledge was received prior to the start of the 21-day period. Mr. Bennett stated that he submitted an LMC report out of an abundance of caution while he checked with the PDC about whether the contribution could be accepted. When contacted, PDC staff informed Mr. Bennett that the contribution was received within 21 days of the election and could not be accepted. Evergreen Progress then returned the contribution before it was ever deposited, and filed an amended LMC report on October 21, showing a contribution of \$0.00 on October 15. The PDC will not be conducting a formal investigation of this matter, as RCW 42.17.020(15)(b)(iii) states that donations returned within five business days of receipt are not considered contributions.

If you have any questions, you may contact Phil Stutzman at (360) 664-8853, or by email at pstutzman@pdc.wa.gov.

Doug Ellis Assistant Director

c: Evergreen Progress

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December 12, 2008

BRENT LUDEMAN SENATE REPUBLICAN CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE PO BOX 11025 OLYMPIA, WA 98508

Subject: Complaint Filed Against The Roosevelt Fund

Dear Mr. Ludeman:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) received a complaint from you on October 22, 2008, alleging that The Roosevelt Fund accepted a \$30,000 over-limit contribution from the Kalispell Tribe of Indians on October 15, 2008, an alleged violation of RCW 42.17.105(8).

When contacted by PDC staff, Jason Bennett, treasurer for The Roosevelt Fund, noted that the contribution had been refunded on October 20, 2008. He filed an amended Last Minute Contribution (LMC) report on October 23, 2008, amending the October 17, 2008 LMC report, to show zero dollars for the contribution amount. RCW 42.17.020 (15)(b)(iii) states a contribution does not include a contribution that is returned to the contributor within five business days of the date on which it is received by the political committee. Therefore, the PDC will not be conducting a formal investigation of this matter.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Phil Stutzman at (360) 664-8853, or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:pstutzman@pdc.wa.gov">pstutzman@pdc.wa.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Doug Ellis
Assistant Director

c: The Roosevelt Fund

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December 12, 2008.

DEL BAUSCH, CHAIR THE ROOSEVELT FUND PO BOX 45201 SEATTLE WA 98145-0201

Subject: Complaint filed by Brent Ludeman

Dear Mr. Bausch:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter to Brent Ludeman regarding a complaint he filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) on October 22, 2008 alleging that The Roosevelt Fund accepted a \$30,000 over-limit contribution from the Kalispell Tribe of Indians on October 15, 2008, an alleged violation of RCW 42.17.105(8). As noted in the enclosed letter, a formal investigation will not be conducted. A copy of the complaint is enclosed.

If you have any questions, you may contact Phil Stutzman, Director of Compliance, at (360) 664-8853, or by email at pstutzman@pdc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Doug Ellis
Assistant Director

Enclosures

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#### Phil Stutzman

From:

Brent Ludeman [brent.ludeman@gmail.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, October 22, 2008 5:36 PM

To:

Phil Stutzman

Subject:

Roosevelt Fund Complaint

Attachments: Kalispel 30k.pdf

Mr. Stutzman:

I have another complaint. The Roosevelt Fund received \$30,000 on 10/15/2008 from the Kalispel Indian Tribes, falling within the 21-day \$5,000 limit. Their LMC form is attached. Again, given the closeness of the election and the risk that these funds will be spent in a manner that may affect the election results, we request that you take immediate action to have the illegal contributions returned, and proceed with an investigation and penalize The Roosevelt Fund.

Regards, Brent Ludeman

Brent Ludeman Executive Director Senate Republican Campaign Committee

Cell: 206.790.6255

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October 23, 2008

Public Disclosure Commission PO Box 40908 Olympia, WA 98504

Dear PDC:

Thank you for the conversation with Kurt Young today regarding a \$30,000 check we received on 10/15/08 from Kalispel Tribe for the Roosevelt Fund. As we discussed relating to the Evergreen Progress contribution on the same day, we received a similar pledge on 10/13 indicating a check was in transit for the Roosevelt Fund. I wanted to submit an "LMC" (Last Minute contribution) form while we consulted your office consulted your office. In an abundance of caution, we filed the LMC. We refunded the contribution and, per your recommendation, are amending our earlier LMC form to reflect \$0.00 received from Kalispel Tribe. Pursuant to RCW 42.17.020 15(b)(iii), if a contribution is returned within 5 business days it is not considered a contribution. This contribution falls within that 5 business day allowance.

Thank you again for your guidance. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at the office: 206-325-5013.

Sincerely,

Jason Bennett, Treasurer

Roosevelt Fund

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# LAST MINUTE CONTRIBUTION Public Disclosure OF \$1,000 OR MORE

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# Kurt Young

From: Jason Bennett [jason@argostrategies.com]

Sent: Thursday, October 23, 2008 2:44 PM

To: Kurt Young
Subject: kalispel/roosevelt

Is the exact same issue. My staff kristina was waiting to hear what the PDC said regarding pledges. We hadn't synced up on it because of the BIAW drama. She returned the donation back on 10/20 and I will amend the LMC like we did with Evergreen.

By the way, I don't see that memo and amended LMC on the site and I faxed it down on Tues. Did you get it?

Thanks!

# JASON BENNETT | ARGO STRATEGIES

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RE: Whether an international union may make an in-kind contribution valued at more than \$5,000 to a statewide ballot measure committee, under RCW 42.17.105(8)

Letter to: James D. Oswald, October 1998

**Staff Advisory Letter** 

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#### PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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October 5, 1998

James D. Oswald Song Oswald & Mondress 720 3rd Avenue, Ste 1500 Seattle, WA 98104

Dear Mr. Oswald:

You have asked whether an international union may make an in-kind contribution valued at more than \$5,000 to .a statewide ballot measure committee. I am writing to confirm that in my opinion such a contribution would be permissible under RCW 42.17.105(8) as long as the contribution is made and received more than 21 days prior to the November 3, 1998, general election. That is, as long as the union

- obligates itself, in writing, to providing a sum certain in-kind contribution to the committee,
- 2) the committee receives written confirmation of this obligation from the union on or before October 12, 1998, and
- 3) the service being provided is made available to the committee starting on the date that the written confirmation is received, or at least no later than October 12, 1998.

As you noted during our conversation, one of the purposes of RCW 42.17.105(8) is to require that large contributions be made before the final weeks of the campaign so that information concerning these contributions may be disseminated to the public well before election day.

Nevertheless, in order not to violate WAC 390-16-245, it is necessary to distinguish this in-kind contribution of personal **services** from a pledge. A pledge of over \$5,000 may not be made or redeemed during the 21 days before the primary election.

There is no statute or rule that defines the word "pledge." However, according to one dictionary definition, a pledge is a formal promise to do or not do something. In this case, although the service will be rendered over the course of several weeks, the obligation to provide a guaranteed dollar value of staff time will be made and received on a specific date. I believe this degree of obligation and commitment is what distinguishes this in-kind contribution from a promise of a future contribution. By their nature, many types of in-kind contributions are utilized over time (e.g., office space,

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office equipment, media time buys, etc.), but that does not mean that they have not been received, according to WAC 390-05-215, for reporting and limit purposes prior to being fully utilized.

You stated during our telephone conversation that the union is not a lobbyist employer. Therefore, this in-kind contribution is reportable by the union on a C-7 report if the union's aggregate contributions exceed \$11,500. Please see the enclosed instruction sheet for more information.

In addition, the recipient political committee must report receipt of the in-kind contribution as part of its 21 day pre-general C-4 report, if it receives the contribution by October 6, 1998, or on its 7 day pre-general report, if it receives the contribution between October 7 and October 12, 1998.

This response does not constitute formal advice of the Public Disclosure Commission. The Commission is next scheduled to meet on October 27, 1998, and a copy of this correspondence will be furnished to the members prior to that meeting. If the Commission disagrees with any of the statements contained in this letter or wishes to provide you with further clarification, I will contact you by the end of the month.

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Vicki L. Rippie, Assistant Director

Public Information and Policy Development

Enclosure: C-7 report

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### Lori Anderson

From:

Lori Anderson

Sent:

Monday, October 26, 2009 3:37 PM

To: Subject: 'Janet Tu' RE: I-276

All candidates except those running for statewide office. Statewide candidates have a limit of \$50,000. Since the \$50,000/\$5,000 limit was put in place for statewide/all other candidates respectively,\* contribution limits have been imposed that have restricted some candidates even more. All political committees, including ballot measure committees, are subject to the \$5,000 limitation.

In 1992, Initiative 134 imposed more restrictive limits on statewide and legislative candidates. The legislature has since extended those limits to judicial candidates and county office and port commissioner candidates where there are more than 200,000 registered voters in the county or port district. A few cities have imposed and are enforcing their own limits.

\*A bona fide party state committee is not subject to this limitation.

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From: Janet Tu [mailto:jtu@seattletimes.com]
Sent: Monday, October 26, 2009 3:31 PM

To: Lori Anderson Subject: RE: I-276

Thank you. And the \$5,000 limit applies both to candidates' campaigns and ballot measures, correct?

Janet Tu | Staff Reporter
The Seattle Times
P.O. Box 70. Seattle, WA 98111
tel: 200-464-2272 | mobile, 206-423-5903
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www.seattletimes.com

From: Lori Anderson [mailto:landerson@pdc.wa.gov]

Sent: Monday, October 26, 2009 3:18 PM

To: Janet Tu Subject: RE: I-276

Staff recollection is that the threshold changed from \$5 to \$15 and then \$25, but no one knows the dates. We would need to do a legislative history search in order to figure out the dates and that would likely take a day or so.

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I suspect the \$5,000 limit was to level the playing field in the last three weeks before the election.

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From: Janet Tu [mailto:jtu@seattletimes.com] Sent: Monday, October 26, 2009 2:53 PM

To: Lori Anderson Subject: RE: I-276

Thanks, Lori.

Do you happen to know why (and when) the reporting threshold was changed from \$5 to \$25?

Are there any specific explanations on the \$5,000 limit during the last 21 days of the election?

Thanks, Janet

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From: Lori Anderson [mailto:landerson@pdc.wa.gov]

Sent: Monday, October 26, 2009 2:23 PM

To: Janet Tu Subject: I-276

The original threshold for not reporting the contributor's name & address was \$5. (Section 6) Section 1 contains all of the explanatory statements.

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#### Lori Anderson

From:

Allan Brettman [allanbrettman@news.oregonian.com]

Sent:

Friday, October 23, 2009 3:57 PM

To:

Lori Anderson

Subject:

RE: Vancouver mayor's race

Donald Powell, a \$150 contributor to Pollard's campaign as of 9/11/09, is listed as an executive with Portland General Electric. He never worked there. I called him today. He said his occupation involves politics, Democratic side only. Said he was busy and we didn't have time to chat long.

>>> "Lori Anderson" <\frac{landerson@pdc.wa.gov} 10/23/2009 3:44 PM >>>
The campaign needs to be in substantial compliance. What is incorrect?

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----Original Message----

From: Allan Brettman [mailto:allanbrettman@news.oregonian.com]

Sent: Friday, October 23, 2009 3:31 PM

To: Lori Anderson

Subject: Re: Vancouver mayor's race

Thanks.

Is it a big deal, little deal, or no deal at all if the campaign lists incorrect information about a contributor's (\$100 and up) occupation and employer?

Allan Brettman
Staff Writer
The Oregonian
<u>allanbrettman@news.oregonian.com</u>
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503-913-4188 (m)
877-477-7083 (fax)

>>> "Lori Anderson" <\landerson@pdc.wa.gov> 10/23/2009 2:33 PM >>> No complaints have been filed in the Vancouver mayor's race, Al. The attached spreadsheet shows how much mayoral candidates from around the state have raised and spent so far. \$0 means that the candidate chose the reporting option where they don't file reports and are limited to raising and spending \$5,000. Highlight = incumbent mayor.

Lori Anderson

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TO:

Members, Public Disclosure Commission

FROM:

Vicki L. Rippie, Assistant Director

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Public Information and Policy Development

DATE:

March 18, 1996

SUBJECT:

Interpretation of RCW 42.17.105(8) Regarding the End Date of the Provision Restricting

Contributions Within 21 Days of a General Election

RCW 42.17.105(8) was enacted in 1985. It created a period within 21 days of a general election when candidates for statewide office could not accept more than \$50,000 from one source and candidates for other offices and all political committees could not accept more than \$5,000 from any one source.

RCW 42.17.105(8) says:

"It is a violation of this chapter for any person to make, or for any candidate or political committee to accept from any one person, contributions reportable under RCW 42.17.090 in the aggregate exceeding fifty thousand dollars for any campaign for statewide office or exceeding five thousand dollars for any other campaign subject to the provisions of this chapter within twenty-one days of a general election. This subsection does not apply to contributions made by, or accepted from, a bona fide political party as defined in this chapter, excluding the county central committee or legislative district committee." (Emphasis added)

Since its enactment, this provision has been interpreted as beginning at 12:01 a.m. on the third Tuesday before a general election. This "begin" date corresponds with the due date of the 21-Day Pre-General C-4 report as well as the onset of the period when notice of contributions of over \$500 have to be telephoned or faxed in to the PDC office.

Not too long ago, staff discovered in the files the attached interpretation adopted on April 28, 1992, that says that the 21-day period ends at 11:59 p.m. on election day. This part of the interpretation was never implemented. Staff continued to advise filers in the instruction manuals and other hand-outs that the period terminated at the end of Monday, the day before the election. Most assuredly, this failure to implement the new interpretation was not intentional. It occurred at a time when staff was emersed in analyzing the effects of pending legislation, including Initiative 134.

Since none of the current members of the Commission were on the board when this interpretation was adopted, and implementing the 1992 interpretation would mean we'd be changing the advice given to filers, we thought it best to bring this issue back to you for further consideration.

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Supporters of including election day in the restricted period might argue that, especially regarding ballot issues, the interpretation issued in 1992 would prevent political committees and candidates (who are not subject to overall limits) from receiving large sums of money on election day to do last-minute polling for get-out-the-vote campaigns and possibly to buy additional broadcast advertising.

It should also be noted, however, that including election day in the period (as written in the 1992 interpretation) means that the 21 day provision actually runs 22 days. Further, unless a candidate or committee is able to charge the cost of services rendered by a polling firm, broadcaster or other vendor, the candidate or committee would have to solicit the over-\$5,000 contribution, get it in hand, and take it to the service provider, all early enough on election day for the funds to have an impact.

I certainly regret that the Commission's initial decision was not implemented properly. (In case you're wondering, I know of no other circumstance -- before or since April of 1992 -- where this has occurred.)

Attachment:

Interpretation No. 105-92-1

# October 1996

# Monthly Planner

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# November 1996

## Monthly Planner

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WITHIN 21 DAYS OF A GENERAL ELECTION, DEFINITION

"Within 21 days of a general election" as that phrase is used in RCW 42.17.105(8) means the period beginning at 12:01 a.m. PST on the third Tuesday before the general election held in November and ending at 11:59 p.m. PST on the day of the election.

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Commissioner Marchisio

Voting against:

Commissioners Whiteside, Brazier, Maehara,

and Cothern

Motion fails.

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**MOTION 96-145** 

Moved by Commissioner Brazier, seconded by Commissioner Cothern:

The Commission repeal the 1992 interpretation of RCW 42.17.105(8) and adopt an interpretation that reads: 'Within 21 days of a general election' as that phrase is used in RCW 42.17.105(8) means the period beginning at 12:01 a.m. PST on the third Tuesday before the general election held in November and ending at 11:59 p.m. PST on the day before the election.

The motion received unanimous approval.

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The motion received unanimous approval.

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6	The Honorable RONALD B. LEIGHTON	
7	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON	
8	AT TACOMA	
9	FAMILY PAC, NO. C09-5662 RBL	
10	Plaintiff, DECLARATION OF MICHAEL T. SMITH (#2)	
11	V. (1.2)	
12	ROB MCKENNA, in his official capacity	
13	as Attorney General of Washington, and JIM CLEMENTS, DAVE SEABROOK,	
14	JANE NOLAND, JENNIFER JOLY and BARRY SEHLIN, members of the Public	
15	Disclosure Commission, in their official	
16	capacities,  Defendants.	
17	I, Michael T. Smith, declare as follows:	
18	1. I am over the age of 18 and competent to testify on the matters contained in this	
19	declaration.	
20	2. I was appointed the first Chief Technology Officer for the Washington State	
21	Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) in March of 2000 and continue to serve the PDC in that	
22	capacity. Prior to joining the PDC, I worked for the Washington State Health Care Authority,	
23	the Department of Health, the Department of Ecology and the Office of the Superintendent of	
24	Public Instruction. I have also served as a management consultant for a private firm in	
25	Olympia, providing technology consulting services to the Office of Financial Management, the	
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Department of Social and Health Services and the Governor's Office. In total, I have worked in the technology field for 18 years.

- 3. I understand a copy of a declaration I filed in another federal court case, *Human Life of Washington v. Brumsickle* (U.S. District Court Case No. 08-0590), was provided to this court as part of the State's response to the motion for temporary restraining order and preliminary injunction. This declaration supplements and updates that information.
- 4. As the PDC's Chief Technology Officer, I supervise the information technology (IT) unit that provides data entry into and maintains the agency's website and database, which is located at <a href="www.pdc.wa.gov">www.pdc.wa.gov</a>. Providing campaign, lobbyist and other information to the public as directed in Chapter 42.17 RCW is key to the PDC's mission. With respect to this, the PDC's mission statement states in pertinent part that the PDC was created and empowered by Initiative of the People to "provide timely and meaningful public access to accurate information about the financing of political campaigns, lobbyist expenditures and the financial affairs of public officials and candidates." Our vision statement describes that "We build confidence in the political process and government." Given today's technology-driven and information-driven culture, the work of the IT division is a critical part of achieving the agency's mission and vision.
- 5. The PDC's website and database and our state's campaign finance and lobbying disclosure laws have resulted in national public recognition by several organizations, which I understand is detailed in Interim Executive Director Doug Ellis's declaration. In addition to those recognitions and awards, the PDC's website was also nominated in 2004 for the "Best Government and Law Website" by "The Webby Awards." The Webby Awards are determined by the International Academy of Digital Arts & Sciences.
- 6. The PDC website provides information on the agency, Commission meetings, state disclosure laws and Commission rules, enforcement cases, stakeholder meetings, filer resource information, sample forms, manuals and brochures, a training video for filers, training

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schedules for filers, news releases, historical reports and Fact Books, a lobbyist directory, lobbyist expenditure reports, links to other websites (such as the Secretary of State, the Federal Election Commission, voter registration sites, and others), and instructions on how to search the database, among other information. A copy of the current home page of the PDC website is attached as Exhibit A.

- 7. One of the agency's long-standing objectives is to increase compliance with the laws and rules, without enforcement actions, and to emphasize prevention over enforcement. One way to do this is to provide information on the website, for the public and the media. Another way to do this is to provide customer service to persons who have questions about the data, or about filing. These are tasks that the IT unit works on every day.
- 8. The website also provides a searchable database of campaign finance information. A copy of the current page with links to the database is attached as Exhibit B. The data is extracted from reports filed with the PDC, and placed into the database. The searchable database contains information on state office candidates, state ballot campaigns, all electronically filing campaigns, and certain local campaigns. A person can also search lists of candidates registered by election year, lists of political committees registered by election year, contribution and expenditure totals, detailed contributions, detailed expenditures, debt, surplus funds, and independent expenditures (for and against). A person can search by contributor name, city, state, zip code, and occupation or employer. A person can also view images of actual reports filed with the PDC. The online data is available back to 2000, when the current query system on the website was established. Attached at Exhibit C is a General Summary Report that I printed on June 14, 2010 showing the number of pages that were viewed through that date. A summary of pages viewed in chart format through June 14, 2010 is attached as Exhibit D. The total number of pages viewed is 6,502,434. The total number of visitors to the website as of June 14 was 1,128,050. The current total number of visitors per month is

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approximately 13,412, and approximately more than 708 visitors per day. Monthly pages viewed typically peak in the fall, near the election dates.

- 9. As described in our fiscal year 2009 *Annual Report* (July 1, 2008 June 30, 2009):
  - Campaign and lobbying reports that were electronically filed were posted by the PDC within fifteen minutes of being electronically filed (1,684 total efilers, including lobbyists).
  - Campaign and lobbying reports that were submitted on paper (filed by US Mail or hand delivered) were scanned and available on the Web site the same day they were received in the agency's office, and often within an hour.
  - In total, 97,946 reports totaling 386,981 pages filed with the PDC were available on the Internet within hours of receipt. In fiscal year 2009, the PDC website received 40,423 unique visitors, and 596,223 web pages were viewed. (This was about half the number of pages viewed due to improvements made in our website to reduce the number of pages needed to find the specific sought-for data).
- 10. The PDC has an online electronic filing program called ORCA (Online Reporting of Campaign Activity). This program allows candidates and campaign committees to file electronically, rather than on paper. By statute, candidates and political committees must file electronically, if they spend or expect to expend more than \$10,000. Other campaigns not meeting the threshold are encouraged to, and often do, file electronically. ORCA software and training is provided at no cost by the PDC. Increasing the number of candidates submitting reports to our agency using the free PDC software aids the public's immediate access to campaign finance information. It also aids candidates and campaign committees by making their information, and that of opposing campaigns, easily accessible to them.
- 11. The most significant trend in PDC customer characteristics is that an increasing number of filers and members of the public have access to ever-evolving technological resources and they rightfully expect the PDC to utilize the latest technology to meet their

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needs. Legislative investments (through passage of legislation and appropriations) have enabled the PDC to keep pace with public and filer expectations, and since 1999, the increasing expectation is that filed reports and committee filings be made available electronically. For example, in June 2000, 46 persons filed their PDC reports electronically. Two years later, that number had risen to 370. By March 2006, the agency served 1,954 electronic filers. Of the candidates seeking office in 2006, 95% of legislative candidates filed their disclosure reports electronically, and 67% of the local candidates filed their disclosure reports electronically. Both of these numbers are steady increases from the previous year. Of the 576 political committees active in the 2006 election, 61% filed electronically, which is a 20% increase from the 2004 election. As of June 1, 2010, there are currently 4,933 electronic filers - 463 candidates, 661 political committees, 3,129 personal financial affairs filers, 435 lobbyists and 245 lobbyist employers. The PDC continues to increase the number of electronically filing candidates and political committees through outreach and training, both in our Olympia office and at locations around the state.

- 12. The PDC's performance measures for fiscal year 2009 show that 99.3 percent of candidates, lobbyists, lobbyist employers and public officials meet the statutory filing deadlines. We believe the extremely high compliance rate is a combination of a culture of disclosure in Washington State, plus the ease with which persons can file, particularly electronically. Large committees, small committees and new committees have all filed with success.
- 13. The PDC produces election "fact books" in even-numbered years that summarize the contribution and expenditure data for campaigns. The data for the fact books is extracted by the IT staff from reports filed with the PDC.
- 14. In addition, the IT staff continually works to provide more information and more features and resources to the filers and the public. This is an ongoing task in order to enable filers to file more expeditiously and to provide more timely information to the public,

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consistent with the legislature's expectations expressed in statute that information from filers be provided electronically via the PDC's website. Here are a few examples of recent and expected upgrades and other activities:

- In 2006, IT staff planned, designed and launched an electronic version of the C6 form to facilitate filing of timely and accurate independent expenditure information so the public has prompt access to this growing sector of campaign spending. This coincided with the new state electioneering communications law and its mandatory electronic filing component. The C6 form accommodates three kinds of reporting (that required under RCW 42.17.100, RCW 42.17.103 and RCW 42.17.565) in order to simplify disclosure by non-political committees. If a person, other than a political committee, makes an expenditure supporting or opposing a candidate or ballot measure, and that expense is not a contribution, then it is reported on the C6 form.
- Electronic filing systems for lobbyists and lobbyist employers was developed in 2001 and is anticipated will be updated. Online reports summarizing lobbyist spending are available on the website at <a href="http://www.pdc.wa.gov./Public/Lobbyist/Default.aspx">http://www.pdc.wa.gov./Public/Lobbyist/Default.aspx</a>. Mandatory electronic filing for lobbyists has been the subject of a recent study commissioned by the legislature and the PDC, and depending upon future legislation and funding, there may be enhanced electronic reporting by lobbyists and lobbyist employers in the future.
- Another feature, called "RSS" (real simple syndication), launched in 2007, enables a person to obtain automatic updates of PDC information via email or a RSS-enabled browser. At this time, an RSS feed is available for a free subscription service to the PDC News (newsletter) and also allows users to track individual campaigns or races.
- For the 2007 election, IT staff also compiled, developed and produced 4,750 of the Candidate Campaign Materials CDs. These are CDs that contain campaign materials and information, and are provided free-of-charge to candidates and campaigns. Due to the increased amount of information available on the PDC website, there is also a reduced need currently to produce CDs.
- A new electronic filing system for personal financial affairs statements (F1 forms) was launched on January 13, 2008 to facilitate filing of timely and accurate F1 reports.

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1	A new feature on the website launched in April 2008 called the "Gubernatorial Money Map" provides a map of Washington State
2	counties. A person can hover his or her computer's mouse over a county,
3	and see hourly updates of contributions to the gubernatorial candidates.  The information for this feature is extracted from contribution reports filed
4	with the PDC, including address information such as zip codes.
5	• An updated and enhanced query system is being developed for the
6	website, and we expect to launch it in June 2010. This will replace the system designed in 2008 and facilitate even faster searches on our website,
7	with updated technologies and designs found on most modern websites.
8	• A new feature launched in 2010 allows campaigns to electronically file their candidate or committee registrations forms (C1 or C1pc).
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10	<ul> <li>Another new feature launched in 2010 was an online database of enforcement cases, which allows persons to search by section of law,</li> </ul>
11	among other search factors.
12	The Commission now streams all meetings over the Internet allowing
13	persons who may not be able to attend in person to participate in the process.
14	15. In addition, the IT unit's tasks include systematically upgrading programs to
15	make them as error retardant and user friendly as possible.
16	16. I know the media use our data to provide information and analysis to voters and
17	I have helped to respond to their requests for information concerning our data. The National
18	Institute on Money in State Politics uses our information and makes frequent requests for
19	copies of our data.
20	I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington that the
21	foregoing is true and correct and of my own knowledge.
22	DATED and SIGNED this 16th day of June, 2010 at Olympia, Washington.
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# **United States District Court**

WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

	JUDGMENT IN A CIVIL CASE			
	FAMILY PAC,			
	V.			
	SAM REED, et al.,			
	CASE NUMBER: C09-5662 RBL			
[√]	<b>Decision by Court.</b> This action came under consideration before the Court. The issues have been considered and a decision has been rendered.			
The Court has determined that there is no just reason for delay and upon an express direction for the entry of judgment, FRCP 54(b), it is <b>ORDERED</b> that				
Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment on the Unconstitutionality of RCW 42.17.105(8) is GRANTED. Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment on its remaining claims is DENIED.				
DATED	9: September 1, 2010  BRUCE RIFKIN  Clerk			
	/s/ Jean Boring (By) Deputy Clerk			

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10	WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT TACOMA		
11	FAMILY PAC,	NO. C09-5662 RBL	
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15	ROB MCKENNA, in his official capacity as Attorney General of Washington, and		
16	JIM CLEMENTS, DAVE SEABROOK, JANE NOLAND, JENNIFER JOLY and		
17	BARRY SEHLIN, members of the Public Disclosure Commission, in their official		
18	capacities,  Defendants.		
19	TO: CLERK OF THE ABOVE ENTITLED	COURT	
20	AND TO: ALL PARTIES OF RECORD		
21	Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Fed. R. App. P. 3 and Ninth Circuit Rule 3-1, that		
22	Washington State Attorney General ROB McKENNA, in his official capacity as Attorney		
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24	General of Washington, and JIM CLEMENTS, DAVE SEABROOK, JANE NOLAND,		
25	JENNIFER JOLY and BARRY SEHLIN, members of the Public Disclosure Commission, in		
26	their official capacities, Defendants in the ab	ove-named case, appeal that portion of the	

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1	Judgment (Dkt. #87) filed on September 1, 2010 that found RCW 42.17.105(8) to be		
2	unconstitutional. The Defendants' Representation Statement is attached to this Notice, as		
3	required by Ninth Circuit Rule 3-2.		
5	DATED this 16th day of September, 2010.		
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8	s/ Linda A. Dalton		
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