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MINUTES – Regular Meeting
9:30 a.m. | September 24, 2026
711 Capitol Way S. #206
Olympia, Washington

Commission Members Present
J. Leach, Chair; Douglass North, Vice Chair; Teebah Alsaleh, Member; Lisa Kremer, Member.

Commission Members Present (Participated via Microsoft Teams)
Matthew Segal, Member.

Staff Present
Peter Frey Lavallee, Executive Director; Kim Bradford, Deputy Director; Sean Flynn, General Counsel; Jana Greer, Administrative Officer; Alice Fiman, Compliance Manager; Carolyn Jones, Compliance Coordinator; Ashley Joslyn, Compliance Coordinator; Jordan Campbell, Compliance Coordinator; Phil Stutzman, Compliance Officer; Ladelle Fuquay, Disclosure Specialist; Natalie Johnson, Communications Specialist; Amanda Migchelbrink, Assistant Attorney General representing the Commission; and Chad Standifer, Assistant Attorney General representing the Staff.

Staff Present (Participated via Microsoft Teams)
James Gutholm, Chief Information Officer; BG Sandahl, Compliance Officer; and Susie Giles-Klein, Assistant Attorney General, representing PDC Staff.

The regular meeting of the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) was called to order by Chair Leach at 9:30 a.m.

The September 24, 2026, Public Disclosure Commission meeting streamed live via TVW at PDC.09.24.26. The public was invited to attend in person or remotely via a MS Teams Link.

Chair Opening Comments| PDC Meeting Video
Chair Leach welcomed all attendees and viewers to the September 24, 2026, Regular Commission meeting.

Consideration and Possible Approval of Meeting Minutes | PDC Meeting Video
Meeting minutes were presented to the Commission for consideration and possible approval:
- August 27, 2026, Regular Meeting

MOTION 26-055 Moved by Commissioner North and seconded by Commissioner Kremer that the Commission approve the meeting minutes for the August 27, 2026, regular meeting as submitted.

The motion passed 5 – 0.

Annual F-1 Enforcement| PDC Meeting Video
9:32 a.m. | The Commission conducted a hearing for multiple PDC cases with alleged violations of RCW 29B.55.010. Compliance Coordinators Carolyn Jones and Jordan Campbell presented the cases to the Commission for consideration and possible action.

- PDC Case 195368 – Tracy Shrable: Alleged violation of RCW 29B.55.010 for failure to file the annual Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report).

  There were no participants in this matter.

MOTION 26-056 Moved by Commissioner North and seconded by Commissioner Kremer that the Commission find a violation of RCW 29B.55.010 and assess a civil penalty of $3,000 with $1,500 suspended contingent on all missing reports filed, the non-suspended portion of the penalty paid, and all prior penalties paid within 30 days of the Final Order, and no further violations for four years.

The motion passed 5 – 0.

- PDC Case 195369 – Robert Weber: Alleged violation of RCW 29B.55.010 for failure to file the annual Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report).

  Robert Weber participated via Microsoft Teams.

MOTION 26-057 Moved by Commissioner Kremer and seconded by Commissioner Alsaleh that the Commission find a violation of RCW 29B.55.010 and assess a civil penalty of $500 with $250 suspended contingent on the non-suspended portion of the penalty paid within 30 days of the Final Order, and no further violations for four years.

The motion passed 5 – 0.

- PDC Case 195370 – John W. Pedlow: Alleged violation of RCW 29B.55.010 for failure to file the annual Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report).

  Joyce Pedlow on behalf of John Pedlow participated via Microsoft Teams.

MOTION 26-058 Moved by Commissioner Kremer and seconded by Commissioner Alsaleh that the Commission find a violation of RCW 29B.55.010 and assess a civil penalty of $250 with $250 suspended contingent on the missing 2024 report filed within 30 days of the Final Order, and no further violations for four years.

The motion passed 5 – 0.

The Chair noted the remaining cases scheduled on the agenda will be moved to the October 22, 2026, regular commission meeting. This included the following cases:

- Case 195371, Keri Bro
- Case 195372, Dan Raap
- Case 195373, Charlene Tillequots

Public Comment | PDC Meeting Video

As was noticed and announced, a Teams video and conference line was provided for public comment during this time.

No person(s) provided public comment.

Written comment submitted
- Koeppen
- K-Y Su

Application of Contribution Limits to Court of Appeals Campaigns and Discussion of RCW 29B.40.070 Pre-election Limits | PDC Meeting Video
Deputy Director Bradford provided an overview of the case the Commission discussed in June 2026 that involved a Court of Appeals candidate allegedly violating RCW 29B.40.070. The first issue raised was whether a Court of Appeals candidate is eligible for the higher limit applicable to statewide candidates during the pre-election period, or whether the lower limit applies. The second issue involved constitutional concerns raised by the respondent in the matter regarding the pre-election limits.

General Counsel Flynn presented the Staff's findings on the issues raised in relation to the application of contribution limits to Court of Appeals campaigns. Commissioners Leach, Segal, and Kremer made comments generally in favor of staff's interpretation that positions for the Court of Appeals were not statewide elections for purposes of the late contribution limit restrictions.

The Commission discussed potential approaches to addressing the constitutional issues and decided they would revisit the matter at the October 2026, regular commission meeting to allow for more time to review.

Legislative Discussion| PDC Meeting Video
Deputy Director Bradford and General Counsel Flynn presented the legislative update on agency request legislation regarding C-4 reporting periods. Staff request the Commission consider a final decision by October 2026.

Deputy Director Bradford also discussed the need to appoint Commission members to form a subcommittee to speak on behalf of the commission.

- PDC Request Bill
- PDC Request Bill as (Amended)
- Election Expenditure Presentation

The Commission agreed to give Staff further direction at the October 2026 regular commission meeting.

Commissioner Kremer and Chair Leach were appointed to the legislative subcommittee.

Next Steps/Follow-up: The Commission asked Staff to assess pros and cons for the different possible versions of the agency-request legislation and to provide findings a week prior to the meeting.

Budget | PDC Meeting Video
Executive Director Peter Frey Lavallee provided the budget update to the Commission.

Management Team Updates | PDC Meeting Video
- Executive Director Update.
- Deputy Director Update.
- Information Technology Update.
- Customer Service and Filer Assistance Update.

Enforcement Update | PDC Meeting Video
Phil Stutzman, Compliance Officer, presented the enforcement update for September 2026.
- Enforcement Report – Categorization and Status of Open Cases.

Chair Observations | PDC Meeting Video
The Chair noted that the Commission had a summary of pending litigation, and that there was no need to have executive session this meeting to discuss. Additionally, he mentioned speaking with the AG's office on whether the PDC should refer some matters to the Washington State Bar Association and/or the Judicial Conduct Commission and concluding that that the Commission should not refer matters.

There was no Executive Session.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Approved October 22, 2026.