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**Complaint 24-11-CD**  
***Kevin McCabe v. Mike Alexander***

Presented By:

Kim Stone, Campaign Disclosure Coordinator



## BEFORE THE ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION

Kevin McCabe,	)	
	)	
Complainant,	)	
	)	
vs.	)	Case No. <b>24-11-CD</b>
	)	
Mike Alexander,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	
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### NOTICE OF HEARING AND PROCEDURAL ORDER

A hearing in this case will take place before the Alaska Public Offices Commission at approximately 1:45 p.m. on Wednesday, June 25, 2025.

The Commissioners will be present in-person, by telephone, or via Microsoft Teams and will receive evidence regarding this matter. You may be present at the hearing either by telephone (1-907-202-7104, Access Code: 233 147 607#), in-person (2221 E. Northern Lights Blvd, Ste 128, Anchorage, Alaska), or via [Microsoft Teams Meeting](#).<sup>1</sup> You may be, but are not required to be, represented by an attorney or agent.

**If you wish to participate by telephone and are an individual who requires a special accommodation to participate**, you must advise the Commission office on or before June 18, 2025, so that a special accommodation can be made.

### PREHEARING AND HEARING PROCEDURES

- 1) Parties.** The parties in this case are Commission Staff and Respondent.
- 2) Issues.** At the hearing, the Commission will consider whether Respondent Mike Alexander failed to report expenditures associated with the production and distribution of electioneering communications and whether Alexander was acting with others as an unregistered independent expenditure group.
- 3) Procedural history.** Complainant McCabe filed a complaint against Alexander on December 3, 2024. Respondent Mike Alexander did not file a response. Staff's investigation report

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<sup>1</sup> Meeting ID: 217 752 983 222 7, Passcode: qD2Eb9rH

recommending the complaint be upheld in part and dismissed in part was issued February 7, 2025.


- 4) Hearing procedures.** The hearing will be conducted as provided in AS 15.13.380, 2 AAC 50.891, and the Alaska Administrative Procedure Act, AS 44.62.330 – 44.62.630. All testimony must be presented or submitted under oath. A party may call witnesses, cross-examine witnesses, present and rebut evidence. If the respondent does not testify, the respondent may be called and examined as if under cross-examination.
- 5) Evidence and exhibits.** All relevant evidence may be admissible at the hearing. In passing upon the admissibility of evidence, the Commission may consider, but is not bound to follow, the rules of evidence governing general civil proceedings in the courts of the State of Alaska. The Commission may exclude inadmissible evidence and order repetitive evidence discontinued.
- 6) Prehearing filings.** No later than June 18, 2025, a party:
  - a) may file a list of witnesses expected to testify at the hearing;
  - b) may file copies of exhibits to be presented at the hearing that are marked and identified (for example, Resp.'s Ex. A);
  - c) may file a prehearing memorandum;
  - d) may file prehearing motions, including motions to dismiss, for summary judgment, or to exclude evidence, and
  - e) shall serve all parties and the Complainant with filings submitted.
- 7) Response to motions and requests for subpoenas.** No later than June 25, 2025, a party
  - a) may respond to a motion; and
  - b) may request the Commission to issue subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses, the production of documents, or other things related to the subject of the hearing, and is responsible for serving the subpoena and paying the appropriate witness fee.
- 8) Extensions of time.** Requests to extend the deadlines in this order must be in writing, filed with the Commission, served on all parties and the Complainant, and supported by good cause.
- 9) Burden of proof.** The Commission staff has the burden to prove any charges by a preponderance of the evidence.

**10) Order of proceedings.** Matters considered at a hearing will ordinarily be disposed of in substantially the following order:

- a) pending motions, if any;
- b) complainant may present argument under 2 AAC 50.891(d)
- c) presentation of cases as follows, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission:
  - i) The Commission Staff's direct case, including the investigative report, evidence, and testimony of witnesses;
  - ii) Respondent's direct case;
  - iii) Rebuttal by the Commission Staff; and
  - iv) Closing statements, if any, by Respondent and Commission Staff.

**10) Decision and Order.** The Commission will issue an order no later than 10 days after the close of the record.

Dated: June 11, 2025



Heather Hebdon, Executive Director  
Alaska Public Offices Commission

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE:**

I hereby certify that on this date, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing to be delivered to:

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Signature

06/11/2025

Date





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**TO:** APOC Commissioners  
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**FROM:** Michael Sargent, Paralegal Specialist I  
**SUBJECT:** Staff Report, Complaint 24-11-CD, *Kevin McCabe v. Michael Alexander*

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### **SUMMARY OF COMPLAINT**

The Complaint alleges that the Respondent failed to report expenditures associated with the production and distribution of electioneering communications, in violation of AS 15.13.040. Peripheral to his complaint, the Complainant further alleges that he believed that the Respondent was not acting in an individual capacity, but in concert with other individuals as an unregistered independent expenditure group.<sup>1</sup>

### **SUMMARY OF ANSWER TO COMPLAINT**

The Respondent did not provide an answer to the complaint.<sup>2</sup>

### **FACTS**

The Complainant was a candidate for reelection to the State House during the 2024 state election; during the campaign, he posted roadside signage of varying dimensions advocating his candidacy. On September 9, 2024, the Complainant received a message from a constituent advising him that a derogatory sign had been placed near his roadside signage at a specific location.<sup>3</sup> The Complainant verified the presence of this sign, which bore a stylized image of a burglar and the verbiage "PFD Thief" in conjunction with a red arrow pointing to the Complainant's campaign sign. Over the following weeks, the

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<sup>1</sup> Exhibit 1, Complaint.

<sup>2</sup> Despite not answering the Complaint, Respondent did respond to staff requests for information.

<sup>3</sup> Ex. 1. at pp 2-5.

Complainant noted that many (number unspecified) identical signs appeared near the Complainant’s other campaign signs. All of the “PFD Thief” signs bore a paid-for-by identifier identifying the Respondent (Michael Alexander).<sup>4</sup> Additionally, the Complainant noted other signage, posted by unknown parties, that included a “PFD Naughty List” which identified the Complainant and four other legislators and a stylized image of a rhinoceros; neither of these signs carried any paid-for-by identifying information.<sup>5</sup> In response to APOC staff’s requests for information,<sup>6</sup> Respondent indicated that he had expended \$800 for the production of 100 signs, approximately 70 of which were actually posted. The Respondent further indicated that the signs were placed near campaign signs of three candidates (McCabe, Wilson, and Tilton) during the September 15 to November 1, 2024, timeframe. In response to staff inquiries related to acting in concert with other parties, the Respondent stated that he acted alone.<sup>7</sup>

## **LAW AND ANALYSIS**

“Every person making an independent expenditure shall make a full report of expenditures made . . . upon a form prescribed by the commission, unless exempt from reporting.”<sup>8</sup> In determining whether this obligation applied to the Respondent, there are two questions, which staff addresses in turn. First, was the Respondent’s purchase of signs an “expenditure” under Alaska campaign disclosure law? Second, if so, is he otherwise exempt from reporting?

Answering the first question requires a stroll through numerous definitions in AS 15.13.400. In short, the Respondent’s signs were—at least during the 30 days before the election—an “electioneering communication,” meaning they are considered an “expenditure.”

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<sup>4</sup> Exhibit 2, Respondent signage.

<sup>5</sup> Ex. 1 at pp. 2-5.

<sup>6</sup> Exhibit 3, APOC January 29, 2025, requests for information e-mail.

<sup>7</sup> Exhibit 4, Respondent’s January 31, 2025, response to staff requests for information.

<sup>8</sup> AS 15.13.040(d).



The term “expenditure” “includes an express communication and an electioneering communication but does not include an issues communication.”<sup>9</sup> It is therefore necessary to examine the statutory distinctions between these different types of “communication.”

Campaign disclosure statutes broadly define a “communication” as: “...an announcement or advertisement disseminated through print or broadcast media, including radio, television, cable, and satellite, the Internet, or through a mass mailing, excluding those placed by an individual or nongroup entity and costing \$500 or less and those that do not directly or indirectly identify a candidate or proposition...”<sup>10</sup> The statutes further define three specific types of communications. As noted above, two types are regulated expenditures that require reporting, but the third type does not require reporting.<sup>11</sup>

The type of communication that does not trigger a reporting requirement is an “issues communication.” These are communications that directly or indirectly identify a candidate, address an issue of national, state, or local political importance, but do not support or oppose a candidate.<sup>12</sup>

The first type of communication regulated as an expenditure is an “electioneering communication.” These are communications that directly or indirectly identify a candidate, address an issue of national, state, or local political importance, attribute a position on that issue to the candidate identified, and occur within 30 days preceding a general election.<sup>13</sup>

The other type of communication also regulated as an expenditure is an “express communication.” These are communications that, when read as a whole and with limited

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<sup>9</sup> AS 15.13.400(7)(C).

<sup>10</sup> AS 15.13.400(3).

<sup>11</sup> AS 15.13.400(7)(C) (“expenditure” includes an electioneering and express communication but does not include an issues communication).

<sup>12</sup> AS 15.13.400(13).

<sup>13</sup> AS 15.13.400(6).

reference to outside events, are susceptible of no other reasonable interpretation but as an exhortation to vote for or against a specific candidate.<sup>14</sup>

Here, Respondent's signs meet the general definition of a communication. Although placed by an individual, the cost of the signs exceeded \$500. Further, although the signs themselves bear no image or text directly identifying a candidate, the proximity of the signs to those of the Complainant in conjunction with an arrow pointing to the Complainant's signs can be reasonably interpreted as indirectly identifying a candidate.

Additionally, the signs appear to be regulated expenditures, at least in part. First, the signs identify an issue of state political importance—the PFD (Permanent Fund Dividend). The signs also attribute Complainant's position on that issue by identifying him as a "PFD Thief." In Alaska, this is commonly understood to be a legislator who voted in favor of an annual state operating budget that appropriated less than the statutory payment of the annual PFD to Alaska residents. Finally, because the signs remained in place during the 30 days leading up to the general election (October 5 – November 4), they met the statutory definition of an electioneering communication.<sup>15</sup> As electioneering communications, the signs also met the general definition of an "expenditure"<sup>16</sup> and more specifically an "independent expenditure."<sup>17</sup>

This leads to the second question. As an individual, the Respondent had no requirement to register before making an expenditure but because his signs cost more than \$500, he was subject to reporting requirements.<sup>18</sup> And once the signs became electioneering communications, Respondent was required to, but did not, report their purchase as an independent expenditure within 10 days.<sup>19</sup>

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<sup>14</sup> AS 15.13.400(8).

<sup>15</sup> AS 15.13.400(6).

<sup>16</sup> AS 15.13.400(7)(C).

<sup>17</sup> AS 15.13.400(11).

<sup>18</sup> AS 15.13.050(a) and AS 15.13.040(d). *See also*, AS 15.13.040(h) (reporting not required for individuals acting independently provided expenditures are limited to signs or billboards and do not exceed \$500/year).

<sup>19</sup> AS 15.13.110(h).

Additionally, as a communication and an independent expenditure opposing a candidate, the signs were required to bear a paid for by identifier and the following statement: “This NOTICE TO VOTERS is required by Alaska law, (I/we) certify that this (mailing/literature/advertisement) is not authorized, paid for or approved by the candidate”.<sup>20</sup> Here, the signs included the requisite identifier but failed to include the required “notice to voters” language.<sup>21</sup>

Although the complaint alleges that Respondent was working with others and that their coordinated efforts formed a “group” that would be required to register and report, a review of Respondent’s social media does not support that conclusion.<sup>22</sup> A group is defined, in part, as any combination of two or more individuals acting jointly who organize *for the principal purpose* of influencing an election.<sup>23</sup> The complaint identifies Facebook posts of Save the PFD and Politadick that feature the “PFD Thief” signs and notes that Respondent passed out signs at a “School of Government” meeting.<sup>24</sup> However, there is no evidence that supports the conclusion that Respondent acted jointly with anyone else with the principal purpose of influencing the outcome of the election. Instead, a general review of the public social media pages indicates like-minded persons engaged in political speech on a number of conservative topics.

## **CONCLUSION**

Respondent’s signs cost more than \$500 and were posted during the 30 days prior to the general election which triggered a reporting requirement. Respondent’s failure to file an independent expenditure report violated AS 15.13.040(d)(e) and AS 15.13.110(h).

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<sup>20</sup> AS 15.13.090 and AS 15.13.135(b)(1)(2).

<sup>21</sup> Ex. 2.

<sup>22</sup> See, generally Mike Alexander Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100011575596968>; Save The PFD Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/savepfd>; Politadick Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/politadick>. The School of Government – Alaska Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/672304793466899/>. This appears to be a private page but the about section notes its vision is “Righteous government - based on the Bible & US Constitution” and its mission is “Education, Motivation and Involvement.”

<sup>23</sup> AS 15.13.400(9)(B).

<sup>24</sup> Ex. 1 at p. 3.

Respondent also violated AS 15.13.135 because the signs failed to include the “notice to voters” statement. As the Respondent denied acting in concert with other individuals, and there was no evidence submitted to demonstrate otherwise, the allegations regarding an unregistered group should be dismissed.

### **MAXIMUM CIVIL PENALTIES**

The maximum civil penalty for each of the violations in this case is \$50 per day for each day the violation continued.<sup>25</sup> For purposes of calculating the penalty for the missing “notice to voters” violation, staff has used the period of time when the signs were electioneering communications and thus reportable as an independent expenditure (October 5 – November 4) as the penalty accrual period. For the unfiled independent expenditure report staff began the penalty accrual 10 days after date the signs became electioneering communications (date by which an IE report was due) and tolled the accrual on the date the complaint was filed.

<b>Violation</b>	<b>Dates of Violation</b>	<b>Penalty Days</b>	<b>Max Penalty</b>
Notice to Voter Identifier	10/5/2024–11/4/2024	30	\$1,500
IE Report	10/15/2024–12/3/2024	49	\$2,450
		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,950</b>

### **MITIGATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

When staff assesses a penalty, the starting point for calculating the penalty is 2 AAC 50.855. Here, the Respondent has been a candidate in prior elections and is therefore not a first-time filer. He also had a late filing in one of those campaigns.<sup>26</sup> However, it does appear that this would be his first late-filed independent expenditure

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<sup>25</sup> AS 15.13.390(a)(1).

<sup>26</sup> 2016 Year-End Report filed 14 days late.

report, therefore 2 AAC 50.855(b)(2)(v) allows for documenting the violation without assessing a penalty for the unfiled independent expenditure report.

Next, we turn to applicable mitigating criteria. A civil penalty may be reduced by a percentage greater than 50% or waived entirely if the penalty is significantly out of proportion to the degree of harm suffered by the public.<sup>27</sup> A civil penalty is significantly out of proportion if it exceeds the value of the transactions that were reported late. Here, because the penalty amount (\$1,500) exceeds the value of the unreported information (\$800) it is significantly out of proportion and staff recommends a 90% reduction of the maximum penalty amount.

Accordingly, staff recommends a penalty of \$150 for the violations and that the allegation regarding as an unregistered group be dismissed.

I hereby certify that on this date, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing to be delivered as indicated to the following:	
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Michael Alexander PO Box 521171 Big Lake, Alaska 99652 <a href="mailto:mikealexander728@gmail.com">mikealexander728@gmail.com</a>  9489 0178 9820 3021 0072 44	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Email <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certified Mail

<u>Michael Sargent</u>	<u>02.07.2025</u>
Signature	Date

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<sup>27</sup> 2 AAC 50.865(b)(5).



# Alaska Public Offices Commission

## COMPLAINT



FILING A COMPLAINT To be accepted, complaint must include	APOC LAWS ALLEGEDLY VIOLATED Specify section of law or regulation	APOC case name/number/date								
1. Complainant's name + contact info 2. Respondent's name + contact info 3. Laws, regulations allegedly violated 4. Description of allegations 5. Basis of knowledge of alleged facts 6. Documentation to support allegations 7. Notarized signature of the complainant 8. Proof that complaint and all supporting documents were served on respondent	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Campaign Disclosure Law</td> <td> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AS 15.13  <input type="checkbox"/> 2 AAC 50.250-405             </td> </tr> <tr> <td>Public Official Financial Disclosure</td> <td> <input type="checkbox"/> AS 39.50  <input type="checkbox"/> 2 AAC 50.680-799             </td> </tr> <tr> <td>Legislative Financial Disclosure</td> <td> <input type="checkbox"/> AS 24.60  <input type="checkbox"/> 2 AAC 50.680-799             </td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lobbying Regulation</td> <td> <input type="checkbox"/> AS 24.45  <input type="checkbox"/> 2 AAC 50.550-590             </td> </tr> </table>	Campaign Disclosure Law	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AS 15.13 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 AAC 50.250-405	Public Official Financial Disclosure	<input type="checkbox"/> AS 39.50 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 AAC 50.680-799	Legislative Financial Disclosure	<input type="checkbox"/> AS 24.60 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 AAC 50.680-799	Lobbying Regulation	<input type="checkbox"/> AS 24.45 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 AAC 50.550-590	<div style="border: 1px solid blue; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <b>ARRIVED</b>              Dec 03 2024              APOC - ANCH              PM HC FAX <span style="border: 1px solid red; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px;">ELE</span>  <b>24-11-CD</b> </div>
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If complaint meets requirements for acceptance, APOC will investigate the allegations and notify the respondent of the right to respond. APOC will notify Complainant and Respondent when APOC accepts or rejects a complaint.

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<b>COMPLAINANT'S REPRESENTATIVE</b>		<b>RESPONDENT'S REPRESENTATIVE</b>	

If complainant or respondent is political party or group, list contact person. If complainant or respondent is represented by attorney, list name + contact info

Name/Title	
Address	
Phone/Fax	
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<b>DESCRIPTION or SUMMARY of ALLEGED VIOLATION</b> SEE ATTACHED	Use extra pages if needed	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS - DESCRIBE:</b>
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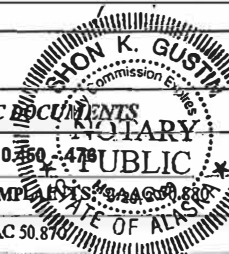
**PROOF of SERVICE ATTACHED:**
☐ Fax - receipt confirmation 
 ☐ Certified mail - signed receipt  
☐ Process server - return of service 
 ☐ E-mail - delivery/read receipt 
 ☐ Other:

**COMPLAINANT'S SWORN STATEMENT:** To the best of my knowledge and belief, these statements are true

Signature	<i>[Signature]</i>	Title		Date	11/13/24
Subscribed and sworn to or affirmed by me at Anchorage, Alaska on 11-13-2024					
Signature	<i>[Signature]</i>	Title	Notary Public		

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On September 9th I recieved a text from a constituent that said

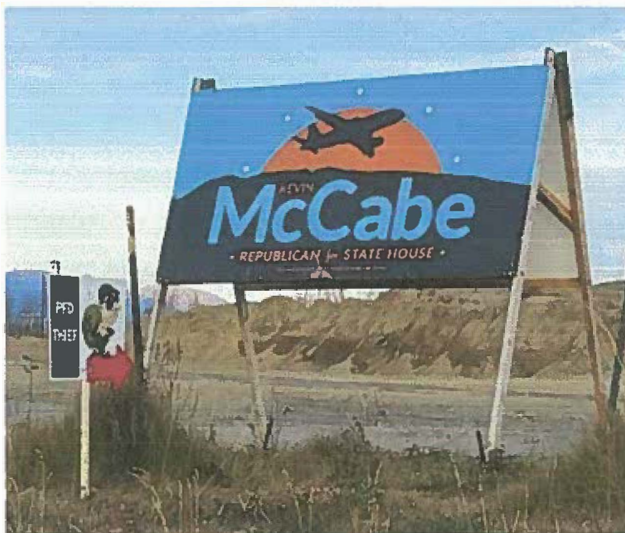
Someone put a  
derogatory message  
sign with an arrow  
pointing at your sign  
by the roundabout

19:48

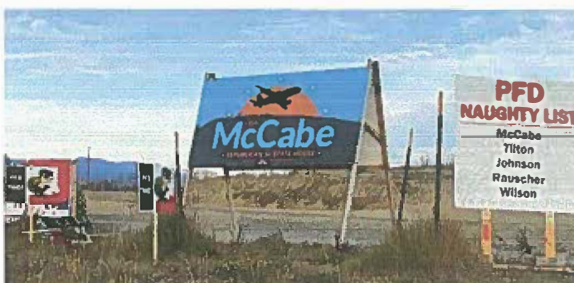
The sign says **PFD**  
**thief**

19:49

This sign was positioned as shown in the next picture which was taken by a constituent to clearly identify me and to influence the outcome of the election.



Over the next several weeks many of these signs appeared next to my 4x8 campaign signs as well as my yard signs. They were clearly intended to influence the outcome of the election and also clearly indicating, via the arrow on their sign, which candidate was the intended target of the message.



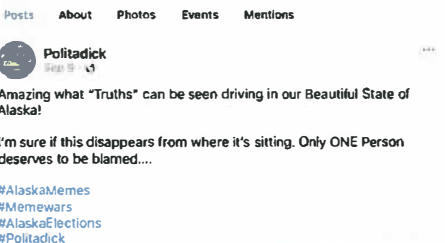
The sign in Big Lake was also used during some sort of rally and also had several other "PFD Thief" signs pointed at mine. You can see in the separate sign (without a political disclaimer) that the rally group has several other legislators in their sights, but there can be no doubt who the intended target of the "PFD Thief" signs, with the paid for by Mike Alexander political disclaimer on them, was.



Mr Alexander was also seen passing these signs out at a "School of Government" meeting in Palmer and was heard asking people to put them in front of my signs.

Further there are several social media posts from a group called "Save the PFD" as well as an entity known as Politadick featuring the "PFD Thief" sign clearly pointing at McCabe campaign signs.

[https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story\\_fbid=pfbid02o1ng2PM86H3QR6fZSBYPPUerV77d5TWbWBtGR9pqt5wZGtd8Pg8nFieGJc4kMQKel&id=100064809996334](https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=pfbid02o1ng2PM86H3QR6fZSBYPPUerV77d5TWbWBtGR9pqt5wZGtd8Pg8nFieGJc4kMQKel&id=100064809996334)



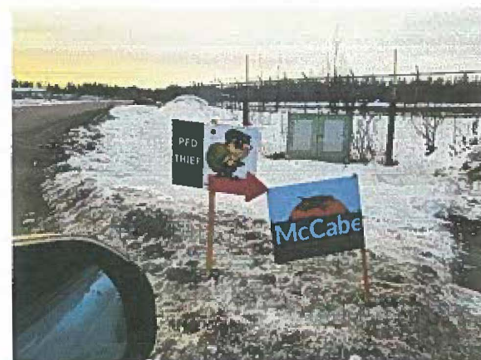
Mr. Alexander has spent well in excess of \$500 for the signs, for the stakes, to make the Red Arrow himself, and to transport and hammer these signs in. It is also clear that he is not working by himself but has enlisted the Help of "Save the PFD" and Bert Houghtailing the blogger from Politadick. Hence I believe they meet the definition of a IE Group under AS 15.13.400(9)(B). The mere fact that he enlisted the help of an entire group of people from the School of Government could also indicate a formation of a "group." Mr Alexander, while he lists himself as the payor for the signs, was not working alone.



I have seen Alexander's signs posted next to mine all the way up to Talkeetna. He installed these signs on private property several times and was asked to remove them. Alternatively he has placed them far enough away to be outside of the private property yet clearly identify McCabe as the "PFD Thief".



You can see from the below photos that even when my yard sign was targeted, there were no other signs or candidate signs around. Mr Alexander specifically targeted me with these signs and was clearly intending to influence the election. My defence to this targeting was to simply remove my yard sign. In one case, however, they put one of my yard signs, that they had somehow obtained, back in the same place as the one I had removed. This targeting was meant for me.



## COMPLAINT:

Mr. Alexander is not listed in APOC as an Independent Expenditure (IE) group, nor has he filed any APOC income or expenditure reports - yet the signs he had produced and installed himself, or had installed by others in his group, were kept in place from September 9, 2024 until after the election on November 10th, 2024. This time period, and the signs placement, meets or exceeds the definition of "Electioneering Communication" under AS 15.13.400(6)(A)(C)

While this complaint is not about them, I also checked the group called Save-the-PFD to see if their involvement could possibly be where the funding and reporting is being claimed. I could not find any mention of these signs. Save-the-PFD is an IE, run by Mike Widney, yet they also have not filed any income or expenditure reports concerning these signs.

I can also find no contributions or expenditures from Mr Houghtailing.

I personally witnessed Mr Alexander pounding in one of his signs, right next to mine, on the corner of Big Lake Road and Hollywood road.

I believe Mr. Alexander is in violation of AS 15.13 and has spent more than the \$500 dollars, allowed under statute, for one person to influence the election. And I also believe that Mr Alexander is not acting alone, but is part of a group with a concerted goal of influencing the election under the definition found in AS 15.13(9)(B). However, I see no contributions to Mr Alexander nor any group he appears to be part of; thus I believe that this group, if it is indeed an IE group, is illegally operating outside the confines of AS 15.13.

There is, however, no one to file an APOC complaint against except Mr Alexander as he is the only one listed on his sign and the only one I personally witnessed pounding in a sign. Every one of the "PFD Thief" Signs had Alexander's disclaimer on them.

Further, there were other signs put out, next to and always in conjunction with, an Alexander sign. These signs have a stylized picture of a Rhino on them and had no disclaimer on them. I do believe Alexander knows who paid for them - possibly someone in the unregistered IE Group that Mr Alexander runs.



Finally, Mr Alexander is not an inexperienced filer. He has run for office before and he knows, or should know, the APOC rules we all must follow. I respectfully request APOC investigate this violation of AS 15.13

Kevin McCabe



**NCPI – Assistant**

11/15/24

To: Kevin Cc: ncpi@alaska.net >

Reply To: ncpiassistant@acsalaska.net >

**RE: 14970 W Fireweed Drive Big Lake Ak 99652, ROS # 232369**

Hello,

We have personally served Mike Alexander on 11/15/24 at 3:30 pm at 14970 W. Fireweed Dr., Big Lake, AK 99652.

Thank you,  
Joshua Toussain  
North Country Process, Inc.  
Phone: (907) 274-2023  
Fax: (907) 274-2823

-----Original Message-----

From: North Country Process, Inc. [<mailto:ncpi@alaska.net>]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2024 4:17 PM

To: '[Kevinjmccabe.com](mailto:Kevinjmccabe.com)'

Cc: ncpiassistant@acsalaska.net



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# PFD THIEF

Paid for by Mike Alexander, PO Box 521171, Big Lake, AK 99652

**From:** [Sargent, Mike David \(DOA\)](#)  
**To:** [mikealexander728@gmail.com](mailto:mikealexander728@gmail.com)  
**Subject:** 24-11-CD McCabe v. Alexander  
**Date:** Wednesday, January 29, 2025 3:21:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)  
**Importance:** High

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Dear Mr. Alexander –

I am currently responsible for the investigation of the above referenced complaint and needed some additional information before making a staff recommendation to the Commission. To that end, could you please respond to the following questions:

1. In regard to the signage bearing your paid-for-by identifier (stylized burglar with the notation “PFD Thief”), what were the total number of signs acquired and displayed? What were the dates the signs were placed and how long were they displayed?
2. What was the total cost for the signs, supports and directional arrows? – if possible, please provide the date(s) of acquisition and any invoices. Did the total cost, including paid labor to transport and place the signs, exceed \$500.00?
3. Did you act alone in the purchase, acquisition and placement of this signage or was in in concert with another party or parties? If so, please identify these individuals or groups.
4. Were the placement of your signs, in conjunction with those displayed within the complaint (“PFD Naughty List” and stylized rhinoceros), part of a joint effort involving another party or parties?

Please provide response at your earliest convenience; in the event you have questions or need clarification, please contact me at my direct line (907.334.1729) or via e-mail.

Thanks, and regards -



**Michael Sargent**  
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1. I acquired 100 signs. The total number of signs displayed was 70,

In addition to Rep McCade's signs I placed approximately 15 signs near Senator Wilson's signs and 2 near Rep. Tilton's signs.

The dates of placement are difficult to determine due to the fact none were displayed more than 72 hours before the signs were removed by an unknown party. This was true for all locations for all three candidates. Many of the signs disappeared in less than 36 hours. The time frame for the placement and replacements was from September 15, 2024, to November 1, 2024. All the signs I put up were removed by an unknown party before November 5, 2024.

2. The arrows, and stakes, were in my scrap pile. The signs were \$800. Yes I spent more than \$500. See attached file.

3. I acted alone

4. No



C2610: Mike Alexander

CUSTOMER PO INVOICE NUMBER  
Mike Alexander N108788

INVOICE DATE PAYMENT DUE TERMS  
Sep 05, 2024 Oct 05, 2024 Net 30

PROJECT  
24x18 Yard Signs

Mike Alexander  
PO Box 521171  
Big Lake, AK 99652

SALESPERSON ORDERED BY  
Foster, Patrick D Mike Alexander

#	QTY	ORDER DESCRIPTION
01	100	24x18 Yard Signs
		Memo: 4/4

ORDER TYPE	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
Printed	\$8.00	\$800.00



Item Total	\$800.00
Subtotal	\$800.00
Tax	\$ .00
S & H	\$ .00
<b>Order Total</b>	<b>\$800.00</b>
Payments	\$ .00
<b>Total Due</b>	<b>\$800.00</b>

SHIPMENTS

Ship Date Method

09/05/24 Customer Pickup @ SBP

Ship To

Mike Alexander, PO Box 521171, Big Lake, AK 99652 US  
9072032761

Tracking Number



