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Campaign Finance and Practices

Complaint Form (08/17)

Type or print in ink all information on this form except for verification signature

Person bringing complaint (Complainant):

Complete Name Gordon Pierson Complete Mailing Address 603 Washington, Deer Lodge MT 59722 Phone Numbers: Work Home 406-846-3335

Person or organization against whom complaint is brought (Respondent):

Complete Name Mark Sweeney Complete Mailing Address PO Box 681, Phillipsburg MT 59858 Phone Numbers: Work Home 406-560-0171

Please complete the second page of this form and describe in detail the facts of the alledged violation.

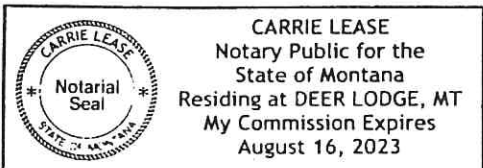
Verification by oath or affirmation

State of Montana, County of Powell

I, Gordon E Pierson, being duly sworn, state that the information in this Complaint is complete, true, and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(SEAL)

Signature of Complainant



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10 day of

Nov 2020

Signature of Notary Public

My Commission Expires: Aug 16, 2023

**Statement of facts:**

Describe in detail the alleged violation(s) and cite the statute or statutes you believe have been violated. Please attach copies of documentary evidence to support the facts alleged in your statement.

If the space provided below is insufficient, you may attach additional pages as necessary.

**Complaints must be:**

- **signed**
- **notarized**
- **delivered in person or by mail.**

Democrat candidate Mark Sweeney Campaign finance reporting violations.

Mr. Sweeney failed to file separate reports for any of his primary and general election C-5. There is only one single report present for the entire campaign process. Mr. Sweeney has also listed a PAC contribution within the individual listings.

Mr. Sweeney has not filed any C-7E forms for his expenditures of greater than \$100 of the 17 days leading up to the general election.

As Mr. Sweeney has filed similar complaints with this office about the same violations within other campaigns, he should very much know and understand the requirements for his own campaign filings.

Please refer to the following attachments with highlighted lines.

Entity	Employer	Election	In-Kind Description	In-Kind Value	Cash/Check Amount	Total to Date
Clark, Allan 125 Aspen Dr, Anac onda, MT 59711	Insurance Agent State Farm	Primary		\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00(P) \$100.00(G)
Clark, Allan 125 Aspen Dr, Anac onda, MT 59711	Insurance All State Insurance	General		\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00(P) \$100.00(G)
Cook, Adam 217 E. Park, Anacon da, MT 59711	Attorney EVERETT LAW	Primary		\$0.00	\$180.00	\$180.00(P) \$0.00(G)
Curran, Larry 6 Bittersweet Dr, Bu tte, MT 59701	Retired Retired	Primary		\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00(P) \$0.00(G)
CVS Health PAC 1275 Penn Ave NW Suite 700, Washingt on DC, DC 20004	Health Care Pharmacy	Primary		\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00(P) \$0.00(G)
DEDMAN, KARLA 1905 OGDEN STR EET, ANACONDA, MT 59711	Insurance Montana Insurance Managers	Primary		\$0.00	\$180.00	\$180.00(P) \$100.00(G)
DEDMAN, KARLA 1905 OGDEN STR EET, ANACONDA, MT 59711	Insurance Montana Independe nt Insurance	General		\$0.00	\$100.00	\$180.00(P) \$100.00(G)
Dedman, Tom 1905 Ogden, Anaco nda, MT 59711	President Southwest Montana federal Credit Union	General		\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00(P) \$100.00(G)
Diamond, Molly PO Box 1175, Anac onda, MT 59711	Admissions Counsel or Management and Tr aining Corporation	Primary		\$0.00	\$180.00	\$180.00(P) \$0.00(G)
Dodd, Daryl 14849 Highway 1, Anaconda, MT 5971 1	Physical Therapist Retired	General		\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00(P) \$50.00(G)
Duganz, Kathleen 508 Main, Anacond a, MT 59711	Patient Grievance S pecialist Warm Springs State Hospital	Primary		\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00(P) \$0.00(G)
Durst, Geoff 1215 Norwood Dr., Aberdeen, SD 5740 1	Hospital Administra tor Retired	General		\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00(P) \$100.00(G)
Edwards, James M 2110 E 6th Ave, Hel ena, MT 59601	Insurance Retired	Primary		\$0.00	\$180.00	\$180.00(P) \$0.00(G)
Etchemendy, James 172 Balsam Dr., Mil es City, MT 59301	Pharmacist Big Sky Pharmacy	Primary		\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00(P) \$0.00(G)
Everett, Ben 1213 West Third, A naconda, MT 59711	Attorney EVERETT LAW	Primary		\$0.00	\$180.00	\$180.00(P) \$0.00(G)
Everett, Jr., Ben 217 E. Park, Anacon da, MT 59711	Attorney EVERETT LAW	Primary		\$0.00	\$180.00	\$180.00(P) \$0.00(G)
Flowers, Patrick J 11832 Gee Norman Road, Belgrade, MT 59714	Fish, Wildlife Parks Retired	General		\$0.00	\$180.00	\$0.00(P) \$180.00(G)
Frandsen, Deborah T 420 E Beckwith Av e, Missoula, MT 59 801	Staff Jon Tester office	General		\$0.00	\$35.00	\$0.00(P) \$35.00(G)
Galiher, Brandi PO Box 681, Philips burg, MT 59858	Medical Transcripti onist self	Primary		\$0.00	\$180.00	\$180.00(P) \$180.00(G)

Entity	Election	Purpose	Platform	Quantity	Subject Matter	Date	Amount
Anaconda Leader 121 Main St., Anaconda, MT 59711	Primary	weekly ads-7 weeks	Anaconda Leader	7 weekly ads from 2/12/2020-3/25/2020	Weekly Sweeney for Senate ads	04/06/2020	\$577.50
Anaconda Leader 121 Main St., Anaconda, MT 59711	Primary	4/6/2020 and 4/8/2020-\$82.50 each, 4/15-\$115.50 4/22-\$115.50, 5/5/2020-\$129.00, 5/5/2020-\$467.00, 5/13/2020-\$467.00, 5/20/2020-\$115.50 -newspaper ads	4/6, 4/8, 4/15, and 4/22/2020 -newspaper ads, 5/5/2020-ad in Election Guide edition, 5/5/2020-Ad in election guide, 5/13/2020 -1/2 page ad, 5/20/2020-newspaper colored ad	4/6, 4/8, 4/16, 4/22-colored ads, 5/5/2020-1 ad in election Guide edition, 5/5/2020-ad in election guide, 5/13/2020 -1/2 page ad, 5/20/2020-colored ad	Sweeney for Senate ads, 5/5/2020-ad in election Guide-topic: hunting and fishing access. 5/5/2020 -ad in election guide with list of supporters, 5/13/2020-Sweeney for Senate ad, 5/20/2020-Sweeney for Senate colored ad	06/09/2020	\$1,819.00
Anaconda Leader 121 Main St., Anaconda, MT 59711	Primary	Post primary thank you ad printed on 6/12/2020	newspaper	1 ad	Thank you for voting	07/15/2020	\$56.00
Anaconda Leader 121 Main St., Anaconda, MT 59711	General	7 ads-8/21/2020, 8/28/2020, 9/4/2020, 9/11/2020, 9/18/2020, 9/25/2020, 9/30/2020	newspaper ads	7	Sweeney for Senate Dist. # 39	10/06/2020	\$1,184.40
Anaconda Leader 121 Main St., Anaconda, MT 59711	General	5 ads 10/09/2020, 10/09/2020, 10/16/2020, 10/16/2020, 10/01/2020	newspaper ads	5 ads	Vote for Mark Sweeney Senate Dist. 39	10/26/2020	\$1,944.00
Montana Democratic Party 303 N. Ewing, Helena, MT 59601	Primary	VAN Vote builder access	Web	access to VAN	list building, address building	01/16/2020	\$170.00
Pit Printers 425 E Front Street, Butte, MT 59701	Primary	Postcard printing and mailing	postcards	500 postcards, mailing for 450	candidate promotion	03/12/2020	\$380.82
Pit Printers 425 E Front Street, Butte, MT 59701	Primary	Printed and stuffed envelopes for Dist. 39 Butte area	envelopes	270 envelopes printed and inserted-\$45 and postage \$70.19	Sweeney for Senate	04/21/2020	\$115.19
Pit Printers 425 E Front Street, Butte, MT 59701	Primary	375 mailers for Granite and Powell County democratic voters	USPS	375	Sweeney for Senate Granite and Powell Counties	04/06/2020	\$292.70
Pit Printers 425 E Front Street, Butte, MT 59701	Primary	mailers and postage for Anaconda Democratic voters	USPS	1200 mailers	Sweeney for Senate	03/27/2020	\$846.63
Pit Printers 425 E Front Street, Butte, MT 59701	Primary	Postcards-front/back color Sweeney for Senate to be mailed in Silver-Bow, Deer Lodge, Powell and Granite Counties	postcards	2962 postcards and mailing	Sweeney For Senate	05/05/2020	\$1,668.56
Pit Printers 425 E Front Street, Butte, MT 59701	Primary	2280 postcard mailings to Anaconda Democratic voters	USPS	2280 postcards	Sweeney for Senate	04/17/2020	\$1,247.49
Pit Printers 425 E Front Street, Butte, MT 59701	General	584 2-sided campaign postcards and postage\$235-postcards, \$152.17-postage	mailers	584	Vote for Sweeney Senate Dist. #39	10/07/2020	\$387.17
Pit Printers 425 E Front Street, Butte, MT 59701	General	1350 2 sided postcards to Granite and Powell Counties\$550 printing\$350.22 for postage	mailers	1350	Vote for Sweeney Senate Dist. #39	10/14/2020	\$900.22
Pit Printers 425 E Front Street, Butte, MT 59701	General	2500 2 sided mailers for Anaconda\$750 postcards, \$642.67 postage	mailers	2500	Vote for Sweeney Senate Dist. #39	10/16/2020	\$1,392.67
SILVER STATE POST 306 MISSOURI AVE, DEER LODGE, MT 59722	Primary	Ad in Silver State Post	newspaper	1 ad in weekly paper	vote for Mark Sweeney-Senate Dist. #39	06/08/2020	\$190.00

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SILVER STATE POST 306 MISSOURI AVE, DEER LODGE, MT 59722	Primary	ad in Philipsburg Mail	newspaper	1 ad in weekly paper-	vote for Mark Sweeney for Sentate Dist. #39	06/02/2020	\$190.00
SILVER STATE POST 306 MISSOURI AVE, DEER LODGE, MT 59722	General	5 ads 9/17/2020, 9/24/2020, 10/1/2020, 10/18/2020, 10/1 5/2020 in Philipsburg Mail	newspaper ads	5 ads	Vote for Sweeney Senate Dist. #39	10/19/2020	\$793.50
SILVER STATE POST 306 MISSOURI AVE, DEER LODGE, MT 59722	General	5 ads 9/09/2020, 9/23/2020, 9/30/2020, 10/07/2020, 10/1 4/2020	newspaper ads	5 ads in Silver State Post	Vote for Sweeney Senate Dist. #39	10/19/2020	\$793.50
Vermier graphics Na, Na, MT 99999	Primary	150 yard signs and 4 4ftX4ft billboard signs	signage	150 yard signs 4 large (4ft X 4ft) signs	Sweeney for Senate	04/07/2020	\$1,200.00
Vermier graphics Na, Na, MT 99999	Primary	1 4ftX4ft yard sign	signage	1	Sweeney for Senate	04/17/2020	\$50.00
Vermier graphics Na, Na, MT 99999	General	Yard signs- (100) 2ftX 1ft, (4) 4ftX4ft, (1) 4ftX 8ft banner	signs	100	Mark Sweeney for Senate	09/08/2020	\$900.00

## Debts

No entries found.

## Payments Only

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