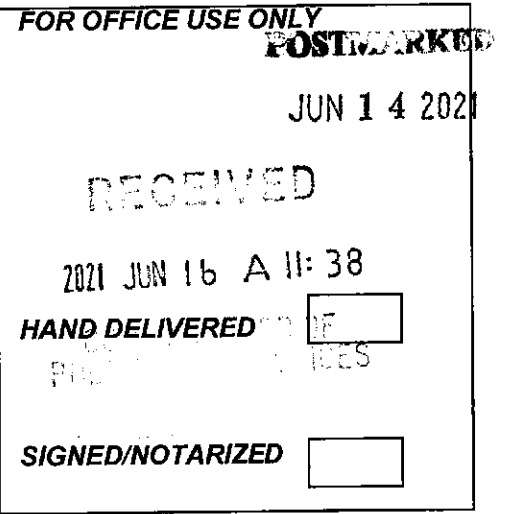


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Complaint Form (08/17)



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

Person bringing complaint (Complainant): Complete Name Jeni Dodd Complete Mailing Address PO. Box 6373 Great Falls, MT. 59406-6373 Phone Numbers: Work 406-590-5364 Home

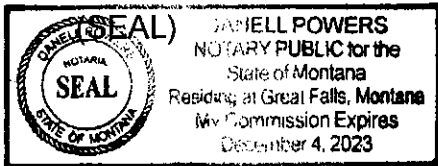
Person or organization against whom complaint is brought (Respondent): Complete Name Gregory Schooby Complete Mailing Address 225 Riverview 1 E Great Falls, MT 59404 Phone Numbers: Work 406-453-4736 Home unknown

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

Verification by oath or affirmation

State of Montana, County of Cascade

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



Signature of Complainant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14 day of June, 2021.

Daniell Powers Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

**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.

Gregory Schoby announced his candidacy for Great Falls City Commissioner on April 22, 2021 on Facebook (screenshot 1). He also started soliciting for contributions on Facebook on June 7, 2021 (screenshot 2). However, as of June 14, 2021, there is no record of a C-1A on file either in Montana CERS or in hard copy through MT COPP document search (screenshots 3, 4 & 5).

Schoby did not file a C-1A within five business days of filing his candidacy as required by Administrative Rules of Montana and the Montana Code Annotated.

Schoby violated Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) 44.11.220 (2)

A candidate, whether or not the office for which the individual will seek nomination or election is known, shall file certification with the commissioner pursuant to 13-37-201, MCA, within five business days of becoming a candidate as defined by 13-1-101 MCA. (continued on Additional Sheet-Complaint Statement of Fact)

**Attachments:**

Additional Sheet-Complaint Statement of Fact

Screenshot 1, proof of candidacy, Schoby for Commissioner, Facebook

Screenshot 2, proof of solicitation of contributions, Schoby for Commissioner, Facebook

Screenshot 3, candidate search on CERS, 06/14/21

Screenshot 4, candidate search on hard copy database, 06/14/21

Screenshot 5, list of Cascade County candidates on hard copy database, 06/14/21

**Complaints must be:**

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

## Additional Sheet-Complaint Statement of Fact Dodd against Schoby

The Montana Code Annotated definition of candidate:

*MCA § 13-1-101 (8) "Candidate" means:*

*(a) an individual who has filed a declaration or petition for nomination, acceptance of nomination, or appointment as a candidate for public office as required by law;*

*(b) for the purposes of chapter 35, 36, or 37, an individual who has solicited or received and retained contributions, made expenditures, or given consent to an individual, organization, political party, or committee to solicit or receive and retain contributions or make expenditures on the individual's behalf to secure nomination or election to any office at any time, whether or not the office for which the individual will seek nomination or election is known when the:*

*(i) solicitation is made;*

**Schoby is a candidate as defined under the above MCA reference, therefore ARM 44.11.220 (2) applies to him.**

The Montana Code Annotated requires each candidate to certify a campaign treasurer within five days after becoming a candidate.

*MCA § 13-27-201. Campaign treasurer. (1) Except as provided in 13-37-206, each candidate and each political committee shall appoint one campaign treasurer and certify the full name and complete address of the campaign treasurer pursuant to this section.*

*(2) (a) A candidate shall file the certification within 5 days after becoming a candidate.*

**Schoby became a candidate on April 22, 2021 but has not filed certification of the campaign treasurer for his candidacy within five days.**

# SCREENSHOT 1

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Schoby for Commissioner

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## About

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Greg was born and raised here in Great Falls Montana. Schoby has been part of several businesses and is currently the General Manager of the Black Ea... See More

442 people like this including 1 of your friends

457 people follow this

Send Message

gregoryschoby@gmail.com

Political Candidate

## Photos

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Schoby for Commissioner  
 April 22 ·

I am happy to announce my run at GF City Commissioner! After having several different conversations over the last few months I have made a decision to jump on board. This Position is a stepping stone for me in politics. 2 Reasons off the bat that I want to take this on. 1, for YOU and our community to better and keep our great city going!!! 2. I'm all for business we need economic growth in Great Falls!! #better4businessbetter4greatfalls



Screenshot



# SCREENSHOT 3

The screenshot displays the Campaign Electronic Reporting System interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the system name and a 'Sign In' button. Below this is a sidebar menu with options for 'Dashboard', 'Candidate', 'Committee', and 'State of Montana'. The main content area features a 'Welcome' message and a 'Public Access Search' section. This section includes a message stating 'No records match the search criteria entered.' and a search interface with four tabs: 'Candidate Search', 'Committee Search', 'Contribution Search', and 'Expenditure Search'. The 'Candidate Search' tab is active, showing a search form with fields for 'Last Name' (Schoby), 'First Name', 'Middle Initial', 'Election Year', 'Campaign Type', 'Office Sought', 'County', and 'Political Party'. A 'How to Search CERS' link is also present. A 'Screenshot' button is located at the bottom right of the page.

Navigation Bar: Campaign Electronic Reporting System, Sign In

Sidebar Menu: Dashboard, Candidate, Committee, State of Montana

Main Content: Welcome, Public Access Search

Search Message: No records match the search criteria entered.

Search Tabs: Candidate Search, Committee Search, Contribution Search, Expenditure Search

Search Fields: Last Name (Schoby), First Name, Middle Initial, Election Year, Campaign Type, Office Sought, County, Political Party

Additional Links: How to Search CERS, ePass Home, ePass Home

# SCREENSHOT 4

Candidate Report Search

Screenshot