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Jeffrey Brindle
Executive Director
Election Law Enforcement Commission
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Dear Mr. Brindle,

I am contacting you to bring to your attention once again the glaring failure of Mayor Derek Armstead of the City of Linden, currently seeking re-election in the June 5th Democratic Primary, to meet the statutory filing requirements of your agency.

Armstead's history of past penalties includes fines for election law violations in 2010 and 2014. Earlier this year, a subsequent complaint for violation was filed with your agency. As of this date, multiple reports leading up to the 2018 primary have not been filed. He is simply a repeat offender of your ELEC's policies

From our perspective there should be significantly higher penalties for a candidate like Armstead, who continues to flaunt regulatory reporting requirements as if the rules do not apply to him.

Most troubling, a cross-reference review of past contribution records reveals at least \$32,000 in campaign contributions that have gone unreported by Armstead.

At this point in time, I urge you to fulfill the clear mandate of your agency by holding Derek Armstead accountable to live up to the same requirements followed by other candidates.

Sincerely,



Ryan Vasquez
Campaign Manager