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Thursday, Connelly's campaign last week fired an attack mailer of its own against Derrville and this week made robo-calls throughout the ZIP...

Derrville, in turn, has disputed Connelly's mailer, which claims she wrote legislation seeking reductions in sentencing and supervision for violent felons and voted against another bill to keep sex offenders 'out of our communities'...

Derrville said the mailer exaggerates her role as sponsor of two bills that came at the governor's request and take effect unless a supermajority vote she made...

Connelly said she has nothing to do with the mailer. She added her campaign has no political action committee...

Ken Miller, a Tacoma political activist and chairman of the Tacoma PAC, has offered varying explanations for why his group believes that the required campaign paperwork...

On Wednesday, Miller said the group's treasurer hadn't filed the reports due to a typo in the name of the partner who is providing it...

"We're not trying to obscure anything that we're doing," added Miller, who later emailed to provide details down of his PAC's contributions and spending...

The accounting shows the group has spent about \$140 on printing and postage for each mailer. Another \$2,000 was spent on consulting fees...

The first mailer claimed Connelly was on the nonprofit's director's board when the agency mispent a \$4 million in grant money meant to build a Hilltop business center...

Connelly said Thursday the nonprofit's former director "spelled my name on the IRS reports" but he made it attempt at least one board meeting in 2007 and another in either 2008 or 2009...

Connelly also contended she only actively returned to the board to help try to fix its financial mess. He has since loaned or donated about \$100,000 to the nonprofit to help it pay its bills...

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Placed above is a mailer distributed by the political action committee Tacoma for Integrity in Government...



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The nonprofit, which is now inactive, was able to build the envisioned business center for which the grants were awarded...

Connelly called the mailer a standard hit piece based on misinformation and contended it likely targets him because of the FBI probe...

Dan McCann, a state Commerce official, said last week the FBI hasn't informed its department about any outcome...

Miller said the latest mailer doesn't imply Connelly is the FBI's target. "I thought to leave the im-

putation that the agency helped to govern is the target of the investigation. I think that that's quite factual," he said...

"If I were to get that piece of mail," Miller added, "I would read it as either Jack Connelly wrongly took part in the behavior that has drawn in the FBI, or as a governor on the board, he was unaware of the behavior that drew in the FBI..."

"He either knew or he didn't know. Either way, he's not showing the due diligence we would expect from a good steward of public funds..."

Asked about the crime scene-type imagery in a multi-part update to a white-collar probe, Miller responded, "A photograph of forensic investigators sifting around reviewing files seemed to have less impact than what we were going for..."

At least two people, including a woman who has donated to Connelly's campaign, filed complaints this week to the PDC about Miller's PAC filing in its report...

TEEKAH

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Contacted Thursday by The News Tribune, Black said, "There's only one person that can judge on all, and that's him up here. I'm innocent, and I wish people would believe that..."

Detectors decided to interview Black after learning he had pleaded guilty to a 2009 child-care case as a different Tacoma bowling alley. In that case, Black pled guilty to a 3-year-old girl and told the child her mother was in the car...

"I've been waiting for them to call me back and let me know what the heck is going on," Black said. "They have my cellphone number..."

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Police searched Black's home and property with a forensic team and cadaver dog. Nothing was found that tied him to Teekah's disappearance...

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