

## COMPLAINT 2001 - NO. 3

### JURISDICTION DETERMINATION - ORDER OF DISMISSAL

October, 2001

#### **I. Nature of the Complaint**

The complainant alleges that a professor at a state university, and a graduate student serving as an administrative assistant at the same university, used public facilities of the university to promote the candidacy of the professor in a local election.

#### **II. Jurisdictional Determination**

RCW 42.52.320, limits the jurisdiction of the Legislative Ethics Board to alleged violations of that chapter (RCW 42.52) and related rules, by members and employees of the legislative branch of government.

A university professor and graduate student are not members or employees of the legislative branch.

#### **III. Conclusion and Order**

After fully considering this matter, the Board concludes it lacks personal jurisdiction over the individuals named in the complaint. The complaint is hereby dismissed.

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James A. Andersen, Chair