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Notification of Material Error or Omission In A Receipts and Expenditures Report

RE: Receipts and Expenditures Report Due July 28, 2014 (Covering the Period January 1, 2014 thru July 24, 2014)

A review of your Receipts and Expenditures Report identified above indicates the material error or omission <u>listed on the other side of this page</u>. No amendment to the Receipts & Expenditures Report is necessary for this error.

As provided by law, a copy of this notice has been made a part of your record in the office of the Secretary of State.

Additional information and assistance may be obtained by writing or calling this office.

Singerely,

Executive Director

1. K.S.A. 25-4153 (a) (1) states, "The aggregate amount contributed to a candidate and such candidate's committee . . . shall not exceed the following: for member of the house of representatives, . . . \$500 for each primary election . . . and an equal amount for each general election." The Suellentrop campaign reported receiving a \$250 contribution on 10-23-13 from Kansas Bankers Association PAC, and an additional \$500 on 6-7-14, for a total of \$750. Both of these contributions were received during the primary election period.

Pursuant to K.S.A. 25-4153, the campaign accepted a contribution in excess of the legal limit amounting to \$250. We would suggest that this contribution be refunded immediately. The return of this contribution should be noted on Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) of the October 27, 2014 Receipts and Expenditures Report.

2. Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) of the July 28, 2014 report lists a \$500 contribution being received on 1-6-14 from Blue Cross Blue Shield. K.S.A. 25-4153a states that no registered lobbyist, political committee or person, other than an individual, shall make a contribution and no legislator or candidate for the legislature shall accept a contribution from a lobbyist, political committee or person, other than an individual after January 1 and prior to sine die adjournment of the regular session of the legislature or any other time the legislature is in session. This contribution should not have been accepted and should be returned. The return of this contribution must be shown on Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) of the October 27, 2014 report.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact this office.