



**GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION**

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October 1, 2015

Joshua Shorter  
Treasurer for John Whitmer  
461 South Firefly Court  
Wichita, KS 67235

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

RE: Receipts and Expenditures Report Due October 27, 2014  
(Covering the Period July 25, 2014 thru October 23, 2014)

A review of your Receipts and Expenditures Report identified above indicates the material error(s) or omission(s) listed on the other side of this page. Such error(s) and omission(s) must be corrected within thirty (30) days of the date of this notice.

File the amended report within thirty (30) days with:

Secretary of State  
120 SW 10<sup>th</sup>  
Memorial Hall  
Topeka, KS 66612

As provided by law, a copy of this notice has been made a part of your record in the Secretary of State's Office. The intentional failure to file an amended report within thirty (30) days is a class A misdemeanor. In addition, you may not accept contributions or make expenditures following the end of the thirty (30) day period if the amended report has not been filed.

Additional information and assistance may be obtained by writing or calling this office. If after having contacted this office substantial issues remain unresolved, you may within ten (10) days of receipt of this notice request a hearing before the Commission.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carol E. Williams".

Carol E. Williams  
Executive Director

1. According to the reports filed with the Secretary of State, AT & T Kansas PAC reports making a \$150 contribution to John Whitmer on 10-23-14. This contribution was not reported by your campaign. If this contribution was received, it must be reported on Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) on the October 27, 2014 report. This error will cause the cash balance on the front page summary sheet to be incorrect. Therefore, an amended front page summary sheet must also be filed. If the campaign did not receive this contribution, please note this fact in a letter to the Commission.

2. Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) of the October 27, 2014 report lists two \$500 contributions from Occidental Chemical Corporation on 10-17-14. It appears this \$500 contribution was reported twice. If this is a duplicate entry, an amended Schedule A for the October 27, 2014 report must be filed removing one of the contributions.

3. Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) of the October 27, 2014 report lists an expenditure to Sam Brownback for Governor for \$20 on 10-23-14.

K.S.A. 25-4157a (c) states, "No candidate or candidate committee shall accept from any other candidate or candidate committee for any candidate for local, state, or national office, any moneys received by such candidate or candidate committee as a campaign contribution . . . ." Since this was a donation to the candidate's campaign committee, it will be necessary for you to contact the Sam Brownback for Governor campaign and they will be required to return your campaign funds or you will need to reimburse the campaign personally.

The return of this contribution should be noted on Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) of the January 10, 2016 Receipts and Expenditures Report.

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