Administration of Campaign Finance, Conflict of Interest & Lobbying Laws



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

RE: Receipts and Expenditures Report Due January 10, 2015 (Covering the Period October 24, 2014 thru December 31, 2014)

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

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

Secretary of State 120 SW 10th 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,

Care E. Williams 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 Concannon campaign reported receiving a \$700 in-kind contribution on 1-12-15 from The Eye Care Center for election party expenses. This in-contribution was 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 \$200. We would suggest that the campaign reimburse the Eye Care Center \$200 immediately. The return of this contribution should be noted on Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) of the January 10, 2016 Receipts and Expenditures Report.

2. Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) of the January 10, 2015 report lists the following contributions being received on 1-12-15.

Contributor	Amount
The Eye Care Center (In-Kind)	\$700
Eventbrite	\$200
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas	\$250
Kansans For Quality MHS	\$500
Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation	\$500
Westar Energy Employees State PAC	\$250
Bayer Corporation PAC	\$250
SITA-RTMC Independent Telephone Co.	\$200
Ash Grove Cement Company	\$250

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. If these contributions were actually received on January 12, 2015, they should not have been accepted and must be returned. The return of these contributions must be shown on Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) of the January 10, 2016 report. However, if the contributions were received by the campaign prior to January 2, 2015, an amended Schedule A must be filed with the date of receipt of the contributions.

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