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## **GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION**

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August 31, 2016

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

RE: Receipts and Expenditures Report Due July 25, 2016 (Covering the Period January 1, 2016 thru July 21, 2016)

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 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,

Carol 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 Blake Carpenter campaign reported receiving a \$500 contribution on 10-23-15 from the Kansas Realtors PAC, and an additional \$500 on 7-5-16, for a total of \$1000. 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 \$500. 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 31, 2016 Receipts and Expenditures Report.

2. Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) lists an expenditure being made to the Singularis Group in the amount of \$1266.36 for "supplies". For reporting purposes, please provide a more detailed description of the types of supplies which were paid for. If any one expense was over \$50 it must be itemized. This information can be disclosed in a letter of amendment to the July 25, 2016 report.

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