



GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION

<https://ethics.kansas.gov>

Rick Jessee
Treasurer for Michael Houser
544 NE 90th Street
Galena, KS 66739

October 1, 2020

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

RE: Receipts and Expenditures Report Due July 27, 2020
(Covering the Period January 1, 2020 thru July 23, 2020)

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 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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karina Renna".

Karina Renna
State Campaign Finance Coordinator

1. The beginning balance of \$27,018.19 listed on the amended July 27, 2020 report is not the same as the ending balance of \$25,667.19 listed on the January 10, 2020 report. This difference of \$1,351.00 must be explained in an amended report.
2. The July 27, 2020 report did not disclose a payment to the Secretary of State for the candidate's filing fee. If the filing fee was paid by the candidate from personal funds, it should be recorded on Schedule B (In-Kind Contributions) as an "in-kind" contribution from the candidate to the campaign. If the filing fee was paid from campaign funds, this expenditure should be listed on Schedule C (Expenditures & Other Disbursements). The July 27, 2020 report must be amended by showing the payment of the filing fee either on Schedule B or Schedule C and on the cover summary page.
3. Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) of the July 27, 2020 report lists two expenditures totaling \$1152.41 to the Cherokee County Republican Party on 7-8-20 for yard signs. Schedule D (Other Transactions) of the July 27, 2020 report lists these expenditures as loans payable to Michael Houser for Trump Signs for Cherokee County GOP.

K.S.A. 25-4153 (f) states, "Any political funds which have been collected and were subject to the reporting requirements of the campaign finance act shall not be used in or for the campaign of a candidate for a federal elective office." Since these expenditures were for a federal elective office, you will need to reimburse the campaign personally. **The return of these donations will be shown on Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) of the October 26, 2020 report.**

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