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, 2020 (Covering the Period January 1, 2019 thru December 31, 2019)

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.

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,

Karina Renna

State Campaign Finance Coordinator

- 1. Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) of the January 10, 2020 report lists a \$150 contribution being received on 1-14-20 from the Kansas Committee for Rural Electrification. 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. These contributions 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 July 27, 2020 report.
- 2. The beginning balance of \$58,123.00 listed on the January 10, 2020 report is not the same as the ending balance of \$52,173.00 listed on the amended January 10, 2019 report. This difference of \$5,950.00 must be explained in an amended report.
- 3. In reviewing the January 10, 2020 Receipts and Expenditures Report we find that neither Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) nor Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) contain addresses. The report must be amended to include street or mailing addresses on both schedules.
- 4. Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) of the January 10, 2020 report indicates \$1,631.48 was reimbursed to Stephanie Clayton on 6-26-19. However, Schedule D (Other Transactions) of the report lists that \$1,631.48 loan payable. An amended Schedule D must be filed removing the \$1,631.48 debt.
- 5. Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) of the January 10, 2020 report lists a donation to the Third District Democrats in the amount of \$100 on 3-1-19.
 - K.S.A. 25-4157a does not list a contribution made to a political action committee as one of the permissible uses of a candidate's campaign fund. If this expenditure was for a reimbursable campaign expense, that fact must be noted on an amended Schedule C. If this was an actual donation, the Third District Democrats will be required to return your campaign funds or you will need to reimburse the campaign personally. The return of this donation must be shown on Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) on the July 27, 2020 report.

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