



GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION

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Mike Brown
Treasurer for Blaine Finch
227 S Main Street
Ottawa, KS 66067

June 14, 2021

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

RE: Receipts and Expenditures Report Due October 26, 2020
(Covering the Period July 24, 2020 thru October 22, 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 Renne".

Karina Renne
State Campaign Finance Coordinator

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 Finch campaign reported receiving a \$250 contribution on 12-26-19, and a \$500 contribution on 7-24-20 from the Kansas Optometric PAC, for a total of 750. 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 \$250. 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 January 10, 2022 Receipts and Expenditures Report.**

2. Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) of the October 26, 2020 report lists the following expenditures with the purpose listed as reimbursement for campaign expenses:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
07-30-20	Blaine Finch	\$1,773.31
08-26-20	Blaine Finch	\$1,762.32
08-27-20	Ralph Finch	\$544.50

An amended Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) must be filed providing a more detailed description of the types of expenses that were reimbursed.

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