Administration of Campaign Finance, Conflict of Interest & Lobbying Laws



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GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION

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Renee Leithoff Treasurer for Stephanie Yeager 311 West 16th Street Newton, KS 67114 October 16, 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) <u>listed</u> 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,

Karina Renna

State Campaign Finance Coordinator

- 1. 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.
- 2. 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 Yeager campaign reported receiving a \$200 in-kind contribution on 11-28-19 from Jessica Nicolet for website design, and an additional \$500 in-kind contribution on 6-10-20 for a total of \$700. Both of these in-kind 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 \$200. 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 26, 2020 Receipts and Expenditures Report.

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