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 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 or omission <u>listed on the other side of this page</u>. No amendment to the July 27, 2020 Receipts & Expenditures Report is necessary for this error. The return will be shown on the October 26, 2020 report.

As provided by law, a copy of this notice has been made a part of your record in the office of the Secretary of State.

Additional information and assistance may be obtained by writing or calling this office.

Sincerely.

Karina Renna

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 the office of state senator, . . . \$1000 for each primary election . . . and an equal amount for each general election." The Corson campaign reported receiving a \$208.33 in-kind contribution on 11-13-19, another \$208.33 in-kind contribution on 6-1-20, and a \$1000 contribution on 6-10-20 from the Senate Democrats PAC, for a total of \$1416.66. All 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 \$416.66. 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.

2. Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) indicates your campaign accepted the following cash contribution over \$100:

| <u>Date</u> | Name | | Amount |
|-------------|------------|-------|--------|
| 06-07-20 | Thomas Mad | digan | \$160 |

K.S.A. 25-4153(i) states, "No person shall make any contribution or contributions to any candidate or the candidate committee of any candidate in the form of money or currency of the United States which in the aggregate exceeds \$100 for any one primary or general election, and no candidate or candidate committee of any candidate shall accept any contribution or contributions in the form of money or currency of the United States which in the aggregate exceeds \$100 from any one person for any one primary or general election."

The cash contribution listed above should not have been accepted by the campaign. In the future, you must be certain that all contributions in excess of \$100 are made by check, cashier's check, money order or E-funds.

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