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## **GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION**

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Susan Fitzgerald Treasurer for Cindy Holscher 13313 W 112<sup>th</sup> Terrace Overland Park, KS 66210 July 7, 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) <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 by filing an amended report.

File the amended report within thirty (30) days with:

Secretary of State 120 SW 10<sup>th</sup> 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 beginning balance of \$85,192.97 listed on the October 26, 2020 report is not the same as the ending balance of \$86,642.97 listed on the **amended July 27, 2020 report filed on September 22, 2020**. This difference of \$1,450.00 must be explained in an amended report.
- 2. According to the Candidate Last Minute Contribution Report filed on 7-30-20 by the Cindy Holscher campaign, the campaign received four contributions from 7-26-20 through 7-29-20 for \$300 or more. These contributions were not reported by your campaign on the October 26, 2020 report. These contributions must <u>also</u> be reported on Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) on the October 26, 2020 report. These errors will cause the cash balance on the front page summary sheet to be incorrect. Therefore, an amended front page summary sheet must also be filed.
- 3. Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) of the October 26, 2020 report lists a \$500 contribution received on 8-1-20 from the UAW Region 5 Midwest States PAC. This contribution was also listed on the amended July 27, 2020 report. An amended Schedule A must be filed removing the duplicate entry.
- 4. Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) indicates your campaign accepted the following cash contributions over \$100:

<u>Date</u>	Contributor	Amount
09-08-20	Smart TD PAC	\$1000
08-31-20	Operative Plasterers' & Cement Masons	\$500

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 contributions 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.

5. According to the reports filed with the Secretary of State, the Johnson County Democratic Central Committee reports receiving a \$1,000 contribution from the Committee to Elect Holscher on 8-20-20. This expenditure is not reported by the Holscher campaign. An amended Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) for the October 26, 2020 report must be filed listing this expenditure. If the campaign did not make this expenditure, please note this fact in a letter to the Commission.

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