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August 28, 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) 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 Renna".

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 Constance campaign reported receiving the following contributions:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Contributor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
06-10-19	Ashok Gupta	\$500
04-16-20	Ashok Gupta	\$500
07-20-20	Ashok Gupta	\$250
		\$1250
05-31-19	Jeanette Metzler	\$1000
05-13-20	Jeanette Metzler	\$250
		\$1250
06-22-19	Richard (Rick) Randolph	\$250
11-13-19	Richard Randolph	\$100
12-30-19	Richard Randolph	\$100
02-14-20	Richard Randolph	\$100
04-07-20	Richard Randolph	\$100
05-10-20	Richard Randolph	\$100
05-14-20	Richard Randolph	\$250
06-30-20	Richard Randolph	\$500
		\$1500

All of these contributions were received during the primary election period.

Pursuant to K.S.A. 25-4153, the campaign accepted contributions in excess of the legal limit amounting to \$1000. We would suggest that these contributions be refunded immediately. **The return of these contributions 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) lists a \$20 cash contribution and a \$40.40 cash contribution as "Anonymous".

K.S.A. 25-4154(b) states, "No person shall give or accept any contribution in excess of \$10 unless the name and address of the contributor is known to the individual receiving the contribution." An explanation for these two contributions must be provided. If the campaign is not aware of the names of the contributors of these two contributions, \$60.40 must be expended in a non-political manner since these would be illegal contributions. An

explanation for these contributions must be provided in a letter to the Commission.

3. Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) of the July 27, 2020 report lists a \$150 contribution being received on 1-27-20 from Mays Communications, LLC and a \$25 contribution on 2-11-20 from The Smith Family Trust.

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 these contributions must be shown on Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) of the October 26, 2020 report.

4. Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) lists the following expenditures being made by the campaign:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
01-02-20	M A Designs	Miscellaneous	\$572.55
01-16-20	Amazon	Supplies	\$54.33
06-08-20	Hyvee	Supplies	\$112.00
06-29-20	AIA Branding Stop	Miscellaneous	\$416.46
07-02-20	USPS online	Supplies	\$141.80
07-02-20	USPS online	Supplies	\$701.80

For reporting purposes, it will be necessary for you to provide a more detailed description for these expenditures. This information can be disclosed as an amendment to Schedule C on the July 27, 2020 Receipts and Expenditures Report.

5. K.S.A. 25-4148 (b) (7) requires that when an expenditure is made by payment to an advertising agency, public relations firm or political consultants for disbursement to vendors, the report of such expenditure shall show in detail the name of each such vendor and the amount, date and purpose of the payment to each. Expenditures amounting to \$16,144.87 were made to Pathfinder Campaigns. Please submit the required supplemental information as an amendment to Schedule C on the July 27, 2020 Receipts and Expenditures Report.

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