Administration of Campaign Finance, Conflict of Interest & Lobbying Laws



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GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION

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June 23, 2020

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

RE: Receipts and Expenditures Report Due January 10, 2020 (Covering the Period January 1, 2019 thru December 31, 2019)

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.

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. 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 Bickimer campaign reported receiving two, \$750 contributions on 11-6-19 from John Brulez, for a total of \$1500. It appears this is a duplicate entry. If so, an amended Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) must be filed removing the duplicate entry.

However, if this is not a duplicate entry, pursuant to K.S.A. 25-4153, the campaign accepted a contribution in excess of the legal limit amounting to \$500. 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 July 27, 2020 Receipts and Expenditures Report.

2. Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) of the January 10, 2020 report shows loans totaling \$10,025.00 from the candidate. All loans should also be listed on Schedule D (Other Transactions) until such time as they are repaid or forgiven. An amended report must be filed which includes Schedule D and the corresponding entry on Line 7 of the cover summary page.

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