Administration of Campaign Finance, Conflict of Interest & Lobbying Laws



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GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION

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

RE: Receipts and Expenditures Report Due January 10, 2024 (Covering the Period January 1, 2023 thru December 31, 2023)

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 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

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- 1. According to the reports filed with the Secretary of State, the Credit Union PAC of Kansas reports making a \$500 contribution on 12-19-23 to Jeff Pittman. This contribution was not reported by your campaign. If this contribution was received, it must be reported on Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) on the January 10, 2024 report. If the campaign did not receive this contribution, please note this fact in a letter to the Commission.
- 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 the office of state senator or member of the state board of education,... \$1000 for each primary election... and an equal amount for each general election." The Pittman campaign reported receiving a \$1000 contribution on 6-13-23, and a \$500 contribution on 10-01-23 from Marti Crow for a total of \$1500. Both of these contributions were received during the primary election period which is January 1, 2021 through August 6, 2024 for senators.

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 29, 2024 report.

3. Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) of the January 10, 2024 report lists a \$500 contribution being received on 01-07-23 from Enterprise Holdings Inc. PAC. 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. This contribution should not have been accepted and should be returned. The return of this contribution must be shown on Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) of the July 29, 2024 report.

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