Administration of Campaign Finance, Conflict of Interest & Lobbying Laws



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GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION

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Diane Britton Treasurer for Mary Ware 3826 W 18th Wichita, KS 67203

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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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 Ware campaign reported receiving a \$500 contribution on 12-17-21, a \$500 contribution on 9-13-22 and an additional \$500 contribution on 11-29-23 from BCS Design, Inc. for a total of \$1500. All 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.

2. According to the reports filed with the Secretary of State, the Kansans For Quality Mental Health Services PAC reports making a \$250 contribution on 7-21-23 to Mary Ware. 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.