

STATE OF KANSAS

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**GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION**

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March 27, 2024

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Hesston, KS 67062

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) 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 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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karina Renna".

Karina Renna  
State Campaign Finance Coordinator  
[karina.renna@ks.gov](mailto:karina.renna@ks.gov)

1. K.S.A. 25-4146(b) states, "No contribution or other receipt shall be received or expenditure made, by or on behalf of a candidate, except payment of a filing fee: (1) until such candidate appoints a treasurer and makes the report required to the Secretary of State..." Several contributions were received by the campaign prior to the date the candidate's Appointment of Treasurer or Candidate Committee form was filed on August 28, 2023.

These contributions should not have been accepted. No amendment to the January 10, 2024 report is necessary for this error.

2. Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) of the January 10, 2024 report lists a \$900 contribution on 8-8-23 from "PayPal". An amended Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) must be filed listing the name and address for the donor of this contribution.
3. Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) of the January 10, 2024 Receipts and Expenditures Reports lists numerous E Fund contributions. It appears the full amount of the contribution is not reported on some of the e-fund contributions. An amended Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) must be filed with the full amount of the contributions which includes the fee. The cumulative processing fees to WinRed are correctly reported on Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements).

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