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, 2018 (Covering the Period January 1, 2017 thru December 31, 2017)

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 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,

Mark Skoglund Executive Director

- 1. The Campaign Finance Act requires that any contribution from an individual in excess of \$150 must be accompanied by the <u>occupation</u> of the individual. Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) of the January 10, 2018 report does not reflect the occupation of numerous contributors. The report must be amended to show the occupation of all contributors who gave in excess of \$150.
- 2. Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) lists the following expenditures being made during the reporting period with the purpose of the expenditure listed as "miscellaneous":

<u>Date</u>	Name	Amount
06-23-17	Desiree Taliaferro	\$218.18
06-23-17	Josh Ishmael	\$1250.00
08-25-17	Julie Braymer	\$500.00
08-25-17	Julie Braymer	\$500.00
10-12-17	Desiree Taliaferro	\$434.65
10-15-17	Julie Braymer	\$500.00
10-27-17	Desiree Taliaferro	\$272.92
11-07-17	Desiree Taliaferro	\$259.58

It will be necessary for you to provide a more detailed description of the expenditures, i.e., mileage, meals, postage, supplies, reimbursement for radio, newspaper, TV advertising, etc. If any one expense was over \$50 it must be itemized. This information can be disclosed in a letter of amendment to the January 10, 2018 report.

- 3. Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) lists a \$19,399.31 expenditure to the Double Tree Overland Park on 12-1-17 with the explanation as "miscellaneous". It will be necessary for you to provide further information as to the purpose of this expenditure. This information can be disclosed in a letter of amendment to the January 10, 2018 report.
- 4. Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) of the January 10, 2018 report lists an expenditure to the Olathe Republican Party on 7-14-17 and a \$150.00 expenditure to the Northwest Johnson County Republicans with the explanation as "Miscellaneous Event".
  - K.S.A. 25-4157a does not list a contribution made to a political action committee as one of the permissible uses

of a candidate's campaign fund. If these expenditures were for the purchase of an advertisement in the committee's publications or for other reimbursable campaign expenses, that fact must be noted on an amended Schedule C. If these were actual donations, the political action committees will be required to return your campaign funds or you will need to reimburse the campaign personally.

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