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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 October 29, 2018 (Covering the Period April 10, 2018 thru October 25, 2018)

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.

Mark Skoglund

Sincerely

Executive Director

- 1. Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) of the October 29, 2018 Receipts and Expenditures Report lists a \$50 contribution on 6-25-18 from "Gerlt and". An amended Schedule A must be provided with the complete name of the contributor.
- 2. Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) indicates your campaign accepted nine cash contribution over \$100. K.S.A. 25-4153(i) states, "No person shall make any contribution or contributions to any candidate or the candidate committee of any candidate in the form of money or currency of the United States which in the aggregate exceeds \$100 for any one primary or general election, and no candidate or candidate committee of any candidate shall accept any contribution or contributions in the form of money or currency of the United States which in the aggregate exceeds \$100 from any one person for any one primary or general election."

The cash contributions should not have been accepted by the campaign. In the future, you must be certain that all contributions in excess of \$100 are made by check, cashier's check, money order or E Funds.

3. 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 pair of offices of governor and lieutenant governor or for other state officers elected from the state as a whole, ... \$2000 for each primary election ... and an equal amount for each general election." The Caldwell campaign reported receiving a \$200 in-kind contribution on 6-18-18 from Jess Theobald, a monetary \$200 contribution on 6-18-18 and an additional \$1700 contribution on 7-26-18, for a total of \$2100. All of these contributions were received during the general election period.

Pursuant to K.S.A. 25-4153, the campaign accepted a contribution in excess of the legal limit amounting to \$100. We would suggest that this contribution be refunded immediately. Since the campaign account is closed, it will be necessary for the candidate to reimburse Jess Theobald personally for this \$100 excess contribution. A copy of the cancelled check must be provided to the Commission.

4. Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) lists the

following expenditures being made by the Caldwell campaign:

<u>Date</u>	Expenditure	Amount
04-18-18	Real Deal Clothing	\$280.00
05-18-18	Entercom Kansas City	\$2500.00
06-29-18	EventBrite	\$269.23
07-17-18	Entercom Kansas City	\$2500.00
07-28-18	Real Deal Clothing	\$756.00

Further explanation for these expenditures and how they are campaign expenses must be provided in a letter to the Commission.

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