Administration of Campaign Finance, Conflict of Interest & Lobbying Laws



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## **GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION**

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May 26, 2022

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

RE: Receipts and Expenditures Report Due January 10, 2022 (Covering the Period January 1, 2021 thru December 31, 2021)

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 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,

Karina Renna

State Campaign Finance Coordinator

- 1. Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) of the January 10, 2022 report shows loans totaling \$30,000.00 loan from the candidate. All loans should also be listed on Schedule D (Other Transactions) until such time as they are repaid or forgiven. An amended report must be filed which includes Schedule D and the corresponding entry on Line 7 of the cover summary page.
- 2. Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) of the January 10, 2022 report lists a \$3000 expenditure to Ron Bloomingkemper for "Miscellaneous Brand" and an \$88.09 expenditure to Indeed for "Miscellaneous". An amended Schedule C must be filed providing further explanation for these expenditures.
- 3. 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..." A \$5000 contribution was received by the campaign from the candidate prior to the date the candidate's Appointment of Treasurer or Candidate Committee form was filed on December 1, 2021.

This contribution should not have been accepted. No amendment to the January 10, 2022 report is necessary for this error. This is being provided for informational purposes.

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