Administration of Campaign Finance, Conflict of Interest & Lobbying Laws



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## **GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION**

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Brian Cunningham Treasurer for Sean Tarwater, Sr. 15916 Overbrook Lane Overland Park, KS 66224 September 9, 2022

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

RE: Receipts and Expenditures Report Due July 25, 2022 (Covering the Period January 1, 2022 thru July 21, 2022)

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

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 member of the house of representatives, . . . \$500 for each primary election... and an equal amount for each general election." The Tarwater campaign reported receiving a \$250 contribution on 12-18-21 from the Kansas Livestock Association PAC and a \$500 contribution on 7-15-22 for a total of \$750. Both of these contributions were received during the primary election period.

Pursuant to K.S.A. 25-4153, the campaign accepted a contribution in excess of the legal limit amounting to \$250. 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 October 31, 2022 Receipts and Expenditures Report.

2. Schedule D (Other Transactions) of the July 25, 2022 report lists two reimbursements totaling \$3,813.26. The total for these reimbursements is also included on Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) but not itemized. If these reimbursements were deposited into the campaign account, they must be removed from Schedule D since they were reimbursed to the campaign. If the reimbursements have not been deposited into the campaign account, the total listed for these reimbursements must be removed from Schedule A. An amended report must be filed correcting this error.

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