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GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION

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November 14, 2016

Patrick Thorpe, candidate for state representative 11307 W. Central Park Circle Wichita, Kansas 67205-2053

Re: \$300.00 civil penalty

Dear Mr. Thorpe:

This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

On March 23 and March 31, 2016, an administrative order issued by the Kansas Governmental Ethics Commission (Commission) was mailed to you by certified mail, signed return receipt requested and by first class mail. The order assessed a \$300 civil penalty for failure to timely file the January 10, 2016, Receipts and Expenditures Report.

Letters dated June 1 and June 28, 2016, from Executive Director Carol Williams were mailed to you at the above address to remind you to pay the civil penalty. However, as of the date of this letter, the Commission has not received payment.

Please be advised that the Commission takes failure to pay assessed civil penalties seriously. In the absence of payment **in full by December 1, 2016**, the Commission intends to exercise any legal remedies available—including the State of Kansas Debt Setoff program. If the Commission refers your debt to this program, the Kansas Department of Revenue will divert \$300 to the Commission from any money due you from the State of Kansas. Additionally, if you fail to pay by that date, your name will be posted prominently on the Commission's website for failure to meet this financial responsibility.

Further action to collect the civil penalty may be avoided by mailing a check or money order in the amount of \$300.00 made payable to the Governmental Ethics Commission so that receipt occurs by December 1, 2016.

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