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GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION

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October 8, 2015

Tabitha Chapman, Lobbyist For Summit Strategies Group LLC PO Box 1342 Topeka, Kansas 66604

Re:

\$300.00 civil penalty

Dear Ms. Chapman:

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

On June 25, 2015, an administrative order issued by the Kansas Governmental Ethics Commission (Commission) was mailed to you at the above address by certified mail, signed return receipt requested. A \$300 civil penalty were assessed for failure to timely file an Employment and Expenditures Reports. A signed certified mail return receipt was returned indicating delivery was accepted on July 2, 2015.

A reminder letter to you dated September 4, 2015, indicates that payment had not yet been received. As of this date the Commission has not received your payment.

Please be advised that the Commission takes failure to pay assessed civil penalties quite seriously. In the absence of payment **in full by October 23, 2015**, 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 funds that the State of Kansas my owe you, including tax refunds. Additionally, if you fail to pay the civil penalty by that date, your name will be posted prominently on the Commission's website for failure to meet this financial responsibility

In the alternative, you may send a check or money order in the amount of \$300.00 made payable to the Governmental Ethics Commission by October 23, 2015.

Sincerely.

Brett Berr

General Counsel