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**GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION**

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September 22, 2009

John Mars, Candidate  
for County Commissioner  
119 North C Street  
Arkansas City, KS 67005

Re: Civil Penalty Assessment

2008-44

Dear Mr. Mars:

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

On November 19, 2008, the Governmental Ethics Commission assessed a \$80.00 civil penalty against you for your failure to file an Amended July 28, 2008 Receipts and Expenditures Report. A copy of the Civil Assessment Penalty Order, which was sent to you on November 20, 2008, by certified mail, is enclosed. Due to your failure to respond to the Commission's repeated requests for payment, said assessment has been referred to me for collection.

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with a final opportunity to pay the assessment against you prior to my filing a suit for collection of the amount.

If you wish to resolve this matter prior to a lawsuit being filed, please send a check in the amount of \$80.00 payable to the State of Kansas to me at the above address within thirty days of the date of this letter, or contact me within the same time period to make arrangements for regular payments to be made to pay this debt.

If I do not receive payment or hear from you, I may proceed with a court action or a state debt collection action against you to enforce the Commission's civil penalty.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Judith A. Moler".

Judith A. Moler  
General Counsel  
Kansas Governmental Ethics Commission