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GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION

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August 7, 2015

James Adams, Candidate
for City Commissioner
Box 643
Fort Scott, Kansas 66701

Re: **\$180.00 civil penalty**

Dear Mr. Adams:

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

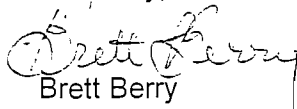
On April 17, 2015, an administrative order issued by the Kansas Governmental Ethics Commission (Commission) was mailed to you at the above address by certified mail, signed return receipt requested. This order assessed a \$180 civil penalty for failure to timely file the February 23, 2015, Receipts and Expenditures Report. This mailing was returned to this agency and marked "unclaimed." On May 26, 2015, the same order was mailed to the above address and was not returned.

A letter dated July 20, 2015, from Executive Director Carol Williams was mailed to you to remind you to pay the civil penalty. However, as of the date of this letter, the Commission has not received payment for the assessed civil penalty.

Please be advised that the Commission takes failure to pay assessed civil penalties seriously. In the absence of payment **in full by July 27, 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 \$180 to the Commission from any money due you from the State of Kansas. 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.

Further action to collect the civil penalty may be avoided by mailing a check or money order in the amount of **\$180.00** made payable to the Governmental Ethics Commission so that receipt occurs **by August 28, 2015**.

Sincerely,


Brett Berry
General Counsel