



GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION

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November 14, 2023

Hophine Bwosinde, Candidate
City Council
13323 W 104th Ct
Lenexa, KS 66215

Re: \$6,600.00 total liabilities assessed on January 26, 2022, February 23, 2022, March 23, 2022, and April 27, 2022

Dear Hophine Bwosinde,

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

On January 27, 2022, an administrative order issued by the Kansas Governmental Ethics Commission ("Commission") was mailed to you by certified mail, with signed return receipt requested, and by first-class mail. The order assessed a \$1,000.00 civil penalty against you for failing to file your October 25, 2021, Receipts and Expenditures Report.

On March 7, 2022, an administrative order issued by the Commission was mailed to you by certified mail, with signed return receipt requested, and by first-class mail. The order assessed a \$300.00 civil penalty against you for failing to file your Amended July 26, 2021, Receipts and Expenditures Report.

On March 24, 2022, an administrative order issued by the Commission was mailed to you by certified mail, with signed return receipt requested, and by first-class mail. The order assessed a \$300.00 civil penalty against you for failing to file your January 10, 2022, Receipts and Expenditures Report.

On May 6, 2022, the Commission Report and Order for Complaint No. 718 was mailed to you by certified mail, with signed return receipt requested, and by first-class mail. The Commission Report and Order established violations of the Kansas Campaign Finance Act and fined you \$5,000.00 for the violations.

On August 22, 2022, Mark Skoglund, Executive Director for the Commission, ("Executive Director") sent a letter by first-class mail, reminding you of the obligation to pay the outstanding civil liabilities. 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 14, 2023, 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 \$6,600.00 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 on the Commission's website for failure to meet this financial responsibility. The Kansas Debt Setoff Program may also retain additional funds due to you from the state as payment for collection costs. Please be further advised that the Commission reserves and retains all its rights and remedies.

Further action to collect the civil penalty may be avoided by mailing a check or money order in the amount of \$6,600.00 made payable to the Kansas Governmental Ethics Commission so that receipt occurs by December 14, 2023.

Sincerely,

Kaitlyn R. Bull-Stewart
General Counsel