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James Klahr
Executive Director

December 21, 2017

Mark Mantovani
Mantovani for STL
8029 Forsyth
Clayton MO 63105

Re: File No. 17-0064-I

Dear Mr. Mantovani:

The Missouri Ethics Commission considered the complaint filed against you and Mantovani for STL at its December 21, 2017 meeting. The complaint alleged that you failed to timely file a 48 Hour Report disclosing a contribution in excess of \$5,000.

Staff reviewed this complaint and determined that you made a contribution over \$5,000 to Mantovani for STL on September 30, 2017.¹ Section 130.044, RSMo, requires a committee receiving a contribution of over \$5,000 from any single contributor to report the contribution within 48 hours to the Commission. Mantovani for STL reported the September 30 contribution on October 10 which was 8 days after it was required to be reported. Mantovani for STL timely reported the contribution on its October Quarterly Report.

When a committee files a late 48 Hour Report with the Commission, Section 105.963.1, RSMo, requires the Commission to assess a \$10 per day late fee. In this instance, the Commission assessed Mantovani for STL an \$80 late fee which it paid promptly and before this complaint had been filed.

From the facts presented, the Commission is dismissing the complaint and reminds the committee of its obligation to timely file required campaign finance reports.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of James Klahr in black ink.

James Klahr
Executive Director

¹ While Article VIII, Section 23 of the Missouri Constitution places limitations of \$2,600 per election on individual contributions to state candidates, that limitation does not apply to contributions to local candidates. Nor does the limitation apply when the candidate is making the contribution to his or her own candidate committee (See Art. VIII, Sec. 23.3(1)).