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Missouri Ethics
Commission

BEFORE THE
MISSOURI ETHICS COMMISSION

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COMMISSION,

Petitioner,

v.

BILL EIGEL, Candidate,

and

EIGEL FOR MISSOURI,
Candidate Committee,

Respondents.

Case No. 24-0052-I & 24-0053-I

**JOINT FINDINGS OF FACT,
CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND ORDER**

The Missouri Ethics Commission ("MEC"), together with Bill Eigel and Eigel for Missouri ("Respondents"), collectively the "parties" jointly stipulate and consent to action as set forth here (the "agreement").

Respondents acknowledge their right to have this agreement reviewed by counsel. Respondents further acknowledge they have received actual notice of the legal complaint filed by the MEC in this case, have reviewed the contents of the Complaint, and submit to the jurisdiction of the Missouri Ethics Commission.

Respondents further acknowledge they are aware of the various rights and privileges afforded by law, including but not limited to: the right to appear and be represented by counsel at a hearing before the MEC; the right to have all allegations against Respondents proven upon the record by competent and substantial evidence;

the right to cross-examine any witnesses appearing at the hearing against Respondents; the right to present evidence on Respondents' behalf at the hearing; and the right to a decision upon the record of the hearing. Being aware of these rights, Respondents knowingly and voluntarily waive each one of these rights and freely enters into this agreement and agrees to abide by its terms.

I.

The parties mutually agree and stipulate, subject to adoption by the Missouri Ethics Commission, the following shall constitute the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law in this matter:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. William (Bill) Eigel was an unsuccessful candidate for Missouri Governor in the August 6, 2024, primary election.
2. Eigel for Missouri is a candidate committee registered with the MEC on June 5, 2015, and terminated on October 11, 2024.
3. Pursuant to § 105.961, the MEC's staff investigated a complaint filed with the Commission and reported the investigation findings to the Commission.
4. The Commission determined there were reasonable grounds to believe violations of the law occurred and authorized a hearing pursuant to § 105.961.3.
5. Respondents itemized two hundred sixty-eight (268) contributions on the April 2023 Quarterly Report filed April 17, 2023. Of those, one hundred thirteen (113) were duplicates.

6. Respondents amended the April 2023 Quarterly Report on July 14, 2024, to remove the one hundred thirteen (113) duplicate contribution entries.

7. On the July 2023 Quarterly Report, Respondents reported receiving \$21,369.72 in anonymous contributions.

8. Respondents amended the July 2023 Quarterly Report on January 15, 2025, removing all anonymous contributions.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

9. Pursuant to § 130.011(12), a contribution is, “a payment, gift, loan, advance, deposit, or donation of money or anything of value for the purpose of supporting or opposing the nomination or election of any candidate for public office[.]”

10. Section 130.041.1(3) requires committees to report receipts for each reporting period on all disclosure reports, including (or requiring):

- (a) Total amount of all monetary contributions received which can be identified in the committee's records by name and address of each contributor. In addition, the candidate committee shall make a reasonable effort to obtain and report the employer, or occupation if self-employed or notation of retirement, of each person from whom the committee received one or more contributions which in the aggregate total in excess of one hundred dollars and shall make a reasonable effort to obtain and report a description of any contractual relationship over five hundred dollars between the contributor and the state if the candidate is seeking election to a state office or between the contributor and any political subdivision of the state if the candidate is seeking election to another political subdivision of the state;

...

- (e) A separate listing by name and address and employer, or occupation if self-employed or notation of retirement, of each person from whom the committee received contributions, in money or any other thing of value, aggregating more than one hundred dollars, together with the date and amount of each such contribution[.]

11. Section 130.031.5, provides:

The maximum aggregate amount of anonymous contributions which shall be accepted in any calendar year by any committee shall be the greater of five hundred dollars or one percent of the aggregate amount of all contributions received by that committee in the same calendar year.

12. Section 130.031.5 continues by laying out the steps to take if an anonymous contribution is accepted which causes an excess:

If any anonymous contribution is received which causes the aggregate total of anonymous contributions to exceed the foregoing limitation, it shall be returned immediately to the contributor, if the contributor's identity can be ascertained, and, if the contributor's identity cannot be ascertained, the committee treasurer, deputy treasurer or candidate shall immediately transmit the anonymous contribution to the state treasurer to escheat to the state.

13. Where Respondents inaccurately reported one hundred thirteen (113) contributions and inaccurately reported anonymous contributions; there is probable cause to believe that Respondents violated § 130.041.1(3), giving this commission power to act, as permitted under § 105.961.

II.

Based on the foregoing, the parties mutually agree and stipulate, subject to adoption by the Missouri Ethics Commission, the following shall constitute the Order issued by the Missouri Ethics Commission in this matter:

CONSENT ORDER

The Missouri Ethics Commission finds probable cause to believe Respondents violated § 130.041.1(3), RSMo. and pursuant to §105.961.4, hereby **ORDERS**:

1. Respondents shall comply with all relevant sections of Chapter 130.

2. It is the order of the Missouri Ethics Commission that a fee is imposed against Respondents in the amount of \$2,000, pursuant to Section 105.961.4(6), RSMo. However, if Respondents pay \$200 within forty-five days after the date of the Consent Order, the remainder of the fee will be stayed. The fee will be paid by check or money order made payable to the Missouri Ethics Commission.
3. Regardless of the stay in paragraph 2 above, if there is probable cause to believe that any Respondent commits any further violation of the campaign finance laws under Chapter 130, RSMo, within the two-year period from the date of this order, then the Respondent who committed the violation will be required to pay the remainder of the fees. The fee will be due immediately upon final adjudication finding that there was probable cause to believe that such Respondent has committed such a violation.
4. Respondents shall be jointly and severally liable for all fees imposed under this order.

III.

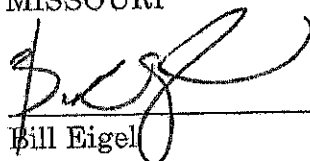
1. The parties understand the Missouri Ethics Commission will maintain this agreement as an open record of the Commission.
2. This agreement does not bind the Missouri Ethics Commission or restrict the remedies available concerning any violations not expressly detailed here, including any future violations.
3. Each party agrees to pay all their own fees and expenses incurred as a result of this case, its litigation, and/or its disposition.
4. Respondents, together with their heirs, assigns, agents, representatives and attorneys, do hereby waive, release, acquit and forever discharge the Missouri Ethics Commission, the Commission's respective members, employees, agents and attorneys including former members, employees, agents and attorneys, of, or from any liability, claim, actions, causes of action, fees, costs, expenses and compensation,

including, but not limited to, any claim for attorney's fees and expenses, whether or not now known or contemplated, including, but not limited to, any claims pursuant to Section 536.087, RSMo, as amended, or any claim arising under 42 U.S.C. § 1983, which now or in the future may be based upon, arise out of, or relate to any of the matters raised in this case or its litigation or from the negotiation or execution of this Joint Stipulation. The parties acknowledge that this paragraph is severable from the remaining portions of this agreement in that it survives in perpetuity even in the event that any court or administrative tribunal deems this agreement or any portion thereof void or unenforceable.

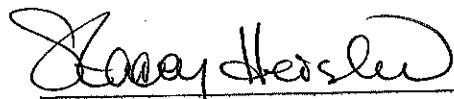
5. This agreement shall become effective immediately upon (1) the signature of all parties; (2) adoption of the Joint Proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law by the Missouri Ethics Commission; and (3) issuance of a Final Order by the Commission, without any further action of the parties.

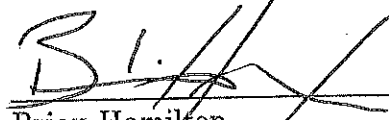
SO AGREED:

RESPONDENTS
BILL EIGEL and EIGEL FOR
MISSOURI


Bill Eigel
7/17/26
Date

MISSOURI ETHICS COMMISSION


Stacey Heislen
Executive Director
7/20/2026
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Brian Hamilton
Attorney for Petitioner
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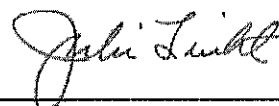
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SO ORDERED, this 22nd day of July 2026.



Julie Leicht, Chair
Missouri Ethics Commission