

**KANSAS GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION**  
**Pursuant to K.S.A. 25-4142, et seq.**

<b>Mark Skoglund</b>	)	
<b>Executive Director</b>	)	
	)	
<b>v.</b>	)	<b>Case No.: 2022 CF 1</b>
	)	
<b>Matt Watkins,</b>	)	
<b>Treasurer, Kansas Democratic Party</b>	)	
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	)	

**CIVIL FINE ASSESSMENT ORDER**

NOW, on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of November 2022, the above entitled matter comes before the Kansas Governmental Ethics Commission for determination of whether Matt Watkins, a candidate, candidate committee, or treasurer appointed under the Kansas campaign finance act (the “act”), K.S.A. 25-4142, et seq., should be assessed a fine for violations of the act as alleged in the Notice of Fine Hearing filed in the above captioned matter.

Executive Director Mark Skoglund appears in person and by counsel, Brett Berry. Matt Watkins appears in person and by counsel, Adam M. Hall and Todd N. Thompson. There are no other appearances.

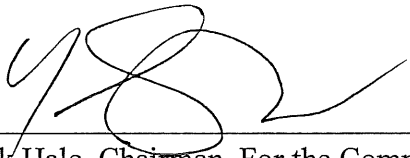
THEREUPON, the commission FINDS the respondent stipulates to violations of the act as alleged in the Notice of Fine Hearing and that Matt Watkins did so violate K.S.A. 25-4148.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, that after considering the stipulation and after consideration statements of the director, counsel and the respondent, the commission assesses Matt Watkins a total civil fine in the amount of \$5,000 for violations K.S.A. 25-4148, due and payable within 90 days of the date of the mailing of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if Matt Watkins, within 90 days of the date this fine assessment order is mailed, disseminates at least ten (10) letters to party or central committee

treasurers of record promoting educational awareness of the importance of following campaign finance reporting laws and performing twenty-four (24) hours of non-political community service, payment of the assessed fine shall be waived.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Mark Skoglund for   
Nick Hale, Chairman, For the Commission

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Barbara Montgomery, hereby certify that the preceding order was deposited in the U.S. mail, first class postage prepaid, on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of <sup>December</sup> ~~November~~ 2022, addressed to:

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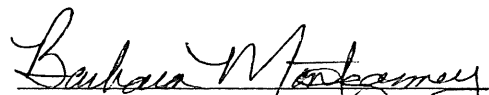
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