

# STATE OF MICHIGAN RUTH JOHNSON, SECRETARY OF STATE DEPARTMENT OF STATE LANSING

September 16, 2014

Justin Hodge 1308 Haslett Road Apartment 4 East Lansing, Michigan 48823

Dear Mr. Hodge:

The Department of State (Department) received a formal complaint filed by Barb Byrum against you, alleging that you violated section 47(1) of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act (MCFA), 1976 PA 388, MCL 169.247(1), by failing to include a complete and correct identification statement on certain campaign material. A copy of the complaint is provided as an enclosure with this letter.

The MCFA and corresponding administrative rules require a person who produces printed material that relates to an election to include the phrase "Paid for by [name and address of the person who paid for the item]." MCL 169.247(1), Mich. Admin. R 169.36(2). A knowing violation constitutes a misdemeanor offense punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000.00, imprisonment for up to 93 days, or both. MCL 169.247(5).

In support of her complaint, Ms. Byrum provided a postcard which states: "VOTE AUGUST 5<sup>TH</sup> JUSTIN HODGE DEMOCRAT FOR INGHAM COUNTY COMMISSIONER [.]" There does not appear to be a paid-for-by statement on the postcard.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the Department's examination of these matters and your right to respond to the allegations before the Department proceeds further. <u>It is important to understand that the Department is neither making this complaint nor accepting the allegations as true.</u>

If you wish to file a written response to the complaint, you are required to do so within 15 business days of the date of this letter. Please include any evidence that reflects any corrective measures you have taken to bring your campaign material into compliance with the MCFA. Your response may include any written statement or additional documentary evidence you wish to submit. All materials must be sent to the Department of State, Bureau of Elections, Richard H. Austin Building, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 430 West Allegan Street, Lansing, Michigan 48918. If you fail to submit a response, the Department will render a decision based on the evidence furnished by the complainant.

A copy of your reply will be provided to Ms. Byrum, who will have an opportunity to submit a rebuttal statement to the Department. After reviewing all of the statements and materials provided by the parties, the Department will determine whether "there may be reason to believe

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that a violation of [the MCFA] has occurred [.]" MCL 169.215(10). Note that the Department's enforcement powers include the possibility of entering a conciliation agreement, conducting an administrative hearing, or referring this matter to the Attorney General for enforcement of the criminal penalty provided in section 47(5) of the Act.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, you may contact me at (517) 241-0395.

Sincerely,

Lori A. Bourbonais Bureau of Elections

Michigan Department of State

c: Justin Hodge



MAIN OFFICE P.O. Box 179 341 South Jefferson Mason, MI 48854 Phone: (517) 676-7201 Fax: (517) 676-7254

## Barb Byrum INGHAM COUNTY CLERK

BRANCH OFFICE Veterans Memorial Courthouse Lansing, MI 48933 inghamclerk@ingham.org www.ingham.org

September 4, 2014

Michigan Department of State Bureau of Elections Richard H. Austin Building – 1<sup>st</sup> Floor 430 West Allegan Street Lansing, Michigan 48918

To Whom It May Concern:

On September 2, 2014, I received an anonymous letter in my office that stated that Justin Hodge was disseminating campaign literature without the name and address of the person that paid for the literature. I have enclosed a copy of the anonymous letter and an original copy of the campaign literature in question.

Justin Hodge is in violation of Michigan Campaign Finance Act, specifically MCL § 169.247(1), because his campaign literature lacked the name and address of the person that paid for the material as required under law.

Mr. Hodge's candidate committee is "Friends of Justin Hodge," and I have enclosed a copy of his most recently amended Statement of Organization for your convenience.

Sincerely,

Barb Byrum
Ingham County Clerk

cc: Justin Hodge

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#### Michigan Department of State Campaign Finance Complaint Form

Reset Form

This complaint form may be used to file a complaint alleging that someone violated the Michigan Campaign Finance Act (the MCFA, 1976 PA 388, as amended; MCL 169.201 *et seq.*).

Please print or type all information.

Fallege that the MCFA was violated as follows:

Section 1. Complainant		
Barb Byrum, Ingham County Clerk		Daytime Telephone Number 517-676-7201
Mailing Address Post Office Box 179		
City Mason	State	Zip 48854
Section 2. Alleged Violator		
Justin Hodge		
Mailing Address 1308 Haslett Road, Ap	artment 4	
East Lansing	State MI	<sup>Zip</sup> 48823
Section 3. Alleged Violations (Use addition	onal sheet if more space	is needed.)
Section(s) of the MCFA violated: MCL 169.247		
Explain how those sections were violated: The name and address of the pe	erson that paid f	or the printed material was
not stated on the printed materia	l	
Evidence that supports those allegations (attach copies of portion of printed material referring to a		

Section 4. Certification (Required)	
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X Signature of Complainant	9/4/14 Date
Section 5. Certification without Evidence (S)	upplemental to Section 4)
section 4 of this form be included in every contunder the circumstances, you are unable to certify by evidence, you may also make the following of a certify that to the best of my knowledge grounds to conclude that the following contentions are likely to be supported by opportunity for further inquiry. Those supported by Justin Hodge is in violation of the Mi	fy that certain factual contentions are supported certification:  re, information, or belief, there are specifically identified factual y evidence after a reasonable specific contentions are:
specifically MCL 169.247(1), because	se he produced printed material,
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and address of the person that paid	for the printed material.

Section 15(8) of the MCFA provides that a person who files a complaint with a false certification is responsible for a civil violation of the MCFA. The person may be required to pay a civil fine of up to \$1,000.00 and some or all of the expenses incurred by the Michigan Department of State and the alleged violator as a direct result of the filing of the complaint.

Mail or deliver the completed complaint form and evidence to the following address:

Michigan Department of State Bureau of Elections Richard H. Austin Building – 1st Floor 430 West Allegan Street Lansing, Michigan 48918

Revised 06/03/2011

Signature of Complainant

Dear Clerk Barb Byrum,

I read the enclosed article in the City Pulse about how campaign literature encouraging a voter to vote for a candidate is supposed to have a "paid for by.." disclaimer. The enclosed literature about a Justin Hodge for County Commissioner does NOT have the required information. It is clear that he is the one who sent it out because it has his contact information... but it does not have the required part about who actually paid for it.

I am asking that you file a complaint on this one like you are for the one in the City Pulse.

It is only fair that way, everyone should follow the rules.

Thank you,

An East Lansing voter.



BARB BYRUM

INGHAM COUNTY CLERK

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MASON, MI 48854

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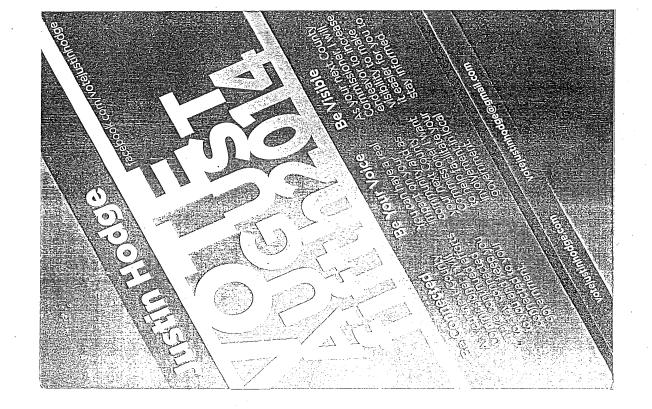
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ORIGINAL OR AMENDED OK 67 7/2/14 STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION FORM FOR CANDIDATE COMMITTEES 1. Committee ID #: 46454 \*2. Type of Filing: 🔲 Original: Amendment to items: 1, 2, 7a, 7b, 8, 14 Eff. Date: 07/07/2014 \*3. Full Name of Committee (must include Candidate's first and last name): Friends of Justin Hodge \*4a. Candidate Full Name: Last Name **Hodge** First Name Justin M.I. D \*4b. Political Party (if applicable): Democratic Party \*4c. County of Residence: INGHAM \*4d. Office Sought: County Commissioner \*4e. District/Circuit # or Jurisdiction: District 9 \*5. Date Committee was Formed: 01/15/2014 \*6a. Committee Phone: (517) 203-9938 6b. Committee Fax #: 6c. Committee Email Address: votejustInhodge@gmail.com 6d. Committee Website Address: www.votejustinhodge.com \*7a. Complete Committee Mailing Address (May be PO Box): P.O. Box 4332, East Lansing, MI 48826 \*7b. Complete Committee Street Address (May not be PO Box): 1308 Haslett Rd, Apt 4, East Lansing, MI 48823 \*8. Treasurer Name and Complete Address: Justin Hodge, 1308 Haslett Rd, Apt 4, East Lansing, MI 48823 Phone #: (517) 203-9938 Email Address: votejustinhodge@gmail.com 9. Designated Record Keeper Name and Complete Address: Phone #: **Email Address:** \*10. REPORTING WAIVER REQUEST: YES, I/We WANT TO APPLY FOR THE REPORTING WAIVER. The committee does not expect to receive or expend in excess of \$1,000 in an election. I/We understand that if the committee does not spend or received in excess of \$1,000 in an election, the committee does not owe Pre, Post and Annual Campaign Statements. I/We further understand that the Reporting Waiver will be automatically lost if the committee exceeds the \$1,000 threshold and all required campaign statements must be filed. A Reporting Waiver does not exempt a committee from filing Late Contribution NO, I/We DO NOT WANT TO APPLY FOR THE REPORTING WAIVER. The committee expects to receive or expend in excess of \$1,000 in an election. I/We understand that the committee owes Pre, Post and Annual Campaign Statements even if the committee does not spend or receive in excess of \$1,000 in an election. I/We further understand that the Reporting Walver cannot be requested retroactively to avoid filing requirements and to avoid paying late filing fees. Further information regarding Reporting Waivers can be found in Appendix C of the Committee Manual. \*11. Name and Address of Depositories or Intended Depositories of committee funds. (Michigan Bank, Credit Union or Savings & Loan Association) While this item must be completed, an account does not have to be opened until the first contribution is received. \*Official Depository (name and address): MSUFCU, 3777 West Rd, East Lansing, MI 48823 Secondary Depository (name and address): 12. This item applies only to Gubernatorial Candidate Committees: Check if this committee intends to seek qualifying contributions or make qualifying expenditures. 13. ELECTRONIC FILING: This item applies to committees that file with the Michigan Department of State Bureau of Elections only and does not apply to Candidate Committees that file with the County Clerk's office. Committee spent or received or expects to spend or receive in excess of \$20,000 and is required to file electronically. Committee did not spend or receive or does not expect to spend or receive in excess of \$20,000 and would like to file electronically voluntarily. Further information regarding Electronic Filing can be found in Appendix D of the Committee Manual. 14. Verification: I/We certify that all reasonable diligence was used in the preparation of the above statement and that the contents are true, accurate and complete to the best of my/our knowledge or belief. If filing electronically, we further agree that the signatures below shall serve as the signatures that verify the accuracy and completeness of each statement filed electronically by the committee. I/We certify that all reasonable diligence will be used in the preparation of each statement electronically filed by this committee and that the contents of each statement will be true, accurate and complete to the best of my/our knowledge or belief. (Sign Name and Date) \*Candidate: \*Current Treasurer Date: 6/30/14 Designated Record Keeper (Required only in filing electronically) Date:





## VOTE AUGUST 5TH JUSTIN HODGE

DISTRICT 9



#### State of Michigan Ruth Johnson, Secretary of State DEPARTMENT OF STATE Lansing

September 26, 2014

Barb Byrum P.O. Box 179 Mason, Michigan 48854

Dear Ms. Byrum:

The Department of State received a response to the complaint you filed against Justin Hodge, which concerns an alleged violation of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act (MCFA), 1976 P.A. 388, MCL 169.201 et seq. A copy of the response is provided as an enclosure with this letter.

If you elect to file a rebuttal statement, you are required to send it within 10 business days of the date of this letter to the Bureau of Elections, Richard H. Austin Building, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 430 West Allegan Street, Lansing, Michigan 48918.

Sincerely,

Lori A. Bourbonais Bureau of Elections

Michigan Department of State

c: Justin Hodge

Justin Hodge 1308 Haslett Rd Apt 4 East Lansing, MI 48823

September 21, 2014

Michigan Department of State Bureau of Elections Richard H. Austin Building, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor 430 West Allegan Street Lansing, MI 48918

Dear Lori A. Bourbonais:

I am writing in response to the letter that I received from the Department of State on September 20, 2014. The letter stated that Ingham County Clerk Barb Byrum had filed a formal complaint against me, alleging that I was in violation of Michigan Campaign Finance Act. Specifically, it stated that I violated MCL 169.247(1) because my campaign literature for the August 5, 2014 Primary Election lacked the name and address of the person that paid for the material.

Although the literature in question does lack that required information, I should not be held responsible as I was not aware of the requirement and Michigan Campaign Finance Act states that one is held liable only if they knowingly make the violation. Specifically, MCL 169.247(6) states:

A person who knowingly violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00, or imprisonment for not more than 93 days, or both.

As this was my first attempt at running for office and prior to this campaign I had no political experience or background, I was truly not aware of this requirement. I in no way knowingly or purposefully violated this section of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act. Additionally, many of these cards were never distributed and none of them were mailed; consequently, they were not dispersed over a wide area.

I made it no secret that my candidate committee was responsible for the cards as the vast majority of the few that were distributed, were distributed personally by me when making face to face contact with potential voters. Additionally, I thought I had made the necessary documentation by reporting the purchase of the literature on my campaign finance report. Please find attached a copy of my Pre-Primary Election Campaign Finance Statement. On page 1 of the Itemized Expenditures Schedule 1B (page 7 of the whole document), Expenditure #2, which I have circled, refers to the literature in question. As you can see, I appropriately listed my literature on my statement, which is all that I thought I needed to do.

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As you saw on the copy of the literature that Ms. Byrum provided, my card was specifically for the August 5, 2014 election. Therefore, it has been more than a month since I had stopped distributing the cards. In the end, the literature in question had next to no impact on the election as I did not even garner 15% (fewer than 90 votes) of the vote.

Please let me know if you require further clarification or have other questions, you may contact me at (517) 203-9938.

Sincerely,

Justin Hodge

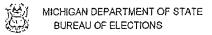


#### MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF STATE BUREAU OF ELECTIONS

#### CANDIDATE COMMITTEE COVER PAGE

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Report must be legible, typed or printed in ink and signed by the treasurer (or designated record keeper) and candidate.	3. This Statement	t covers From: 01/05/14	to 07/20/14
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If the address in this box is different from the committee			
If the address in this box is different from the committee mailing address on the Statement of Organization, mail may be sent to this address by the filing official.	Area Code & Pho	ne (517) 203-9938	·
7, Treasurar's Business Address	8, Designated Re	ecord keeper's Name and Mailing	Address (If the committee has a
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East Lansing, MI 48823		-	
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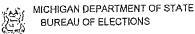


1. Committee I.D. Number 46454

## SUMMARY PAGE CANDIDATE COMMITTEE

2. Committee Name Friends of Justin Hodge

CANDIDATE COMMITTEE		
RECEIPTS	Column I This Period	Column II Cumulative this election cycle
3. Contributions		and ordered, of the
a. Itemized (Schedule 1A - Column 6)	(3a.) \$ <u>875.00</u>	
b. Unitemized (less than \$20.01 each - no Schedule)	(3b.) \$ NOT APPLICABLE	
c. Subjotal of "Contributions"	(3c.) \$ \$875.00	(18.) \$ \$875.00
4. Other Receipts (Schedule 1A -1, Column 6)	(4.) \$ <u>\$0.00</u>	(19.) \$ \$0.00
5, TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND OTHER RECEIPTS (Add Line 3c + Line 4)	(5.) \$ <u>\$875.00</u>	(20.) \$ \$875.00
N-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS & EXPENDITURES		
6. In-Kind Contributions (Schedule 1-IK, Column 7)	(6.) \$ \$108.90	(21.) \$ \$108.90
7. In-Kind Expenditures (Schedule 18-IK, Column 6)	(7.) \$ \$0.00	(22.) \$ \$0.00
EXPENDITURES		
B. Expenditures	•	
a, Itemized (Schedule 1B, Column 6)	(8a.) \$ \$805.38	
b. Itemized Get-Out-the-Vote (Schedule 1B-G)	(8b.) \$ \$0.00	
c. Unitemized (less than \$50.01 each - no Schedule)	(8c.) \$ \$0.00	
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10. Disbursements		•
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b. Unilemized (less than \$50.01 each - no Schedule)	(10b.) \$	
11. TOTAL INCIDENTAL EXPENSE DISBURSEMENTS (Add Line 10a + Line 10b)		
DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS	(11.) \$	(24.) \$
2. Debts and Obligations		
a. Owed by the Committee (Schedule 1E)	(12a.) \$ \$300.00	
b. Owed to the Committee (Schedule 1E)	(12b.) \$ .\$0.00	
	BALANCE STATEMENT	
3. Ending Balance of last report filed	(13.) \$ <u>\$0.00</u>	
(Enter zero if no previous reports have been filed.) 4. Amount received during reporting period	(14.) + \$ \$875.00	
(Line 5, Total Contributions & Other Receipts)	(15.) = \$ <u>\$875.00</u>	
I5, SUBTOTAL Add lines 13 and 14 16, Amount expended during reporting period	(18.) - \$ \$805.38	
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## ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS SCHEDULE 1A

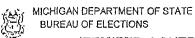
1. Committee I.D. Number 46454

Friends of Justin Hodge CANDIDATE COMMITTEE Enter contributor's name and address. If contribution is from an individuel, enter tast name, first name, 6. Amount 7. Cumulative for Election Cycle for Each middle initial. Check box to indicate if contribution is from a Political Committee or an independent Contributor (Through Committee (PAC) Report all contributions regardless of amount. date of receipt) 4. Date of Receipt 02/22/14 3. Contribution #1 PAC Réceipt? Name & Address: Susan Robertson 6327 Haag Rd , 100 100 Lansing, MI 48911 United States 5. If over \$100.00 cumulative, please provide: Click Here for Memo Itemization Employer. Business Address Fund Ralser Type of Contribution: Direct Loan from a person 4. Date of Receipt 02/23/14 3. Contribution #2 PAC Receipt? Name & Address Karen Staller ,50 ,50 2407 S Circle Dr Ann Arbor, MI 48103 United States Click Here for Memo Itemization 5. If over \$100.00 cumulative, please provide: Occupation \_ Business Address Fund Ralser Type of Contribution: | Direct Loan from a person PAC Receipt? YES Date of Receipt 02/23/14 3. Contribution #3 Name & Address: Justin Hodge <sub>\$</sub>200 1308 Haslett Rd Apt 4 East Lansing, MI 48823 Click Here for Memo Itemization 5. If over \$100.00 cumulative, please provide: Employer Community Mental Health Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Business Address 812 E Jolly Rd, Lansing, MI 48910 Loan from a person Fund Raiser Type of Contribution: Direct 4. Date of Receipt 03/10/14 3. Contribution #4 PAC Receipt? Name & Address Justin Hodge <sub>s</sub>100 408.90 1308 Haslett Rd Apt 4 East Lansing, MI 48823 5. If over \$100.00 cumulative, please provide: Click Here for Memo Itemization Employer Community Mental Health Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Business Address 812 E Jolly Rd, Lansing, MI 48910 Fund Ralser Loan from a person Type of Contribution: V Direct Page Sublolal \$450.00 Grand Total of All Schedules 1A

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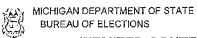
#### ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS SCHEDULE 1A

### CANDIDATE COMMITTEE

1. Committee I.D. Number 46454

2. Committee Name Friends of Justin Hodge

Enter contributor's name and address. If contribution is from an individual, enter last name, first name middle initial. Check box to indicate if contribution is from a Political Committee or an independent Committee (PAC) Report all contributions regardless of amount.	e, 6. Amount	7. Cumulative for Election Cycle for Each Contributor (Through date of receipt)
3. Contribution #1 PAC Receipt? YES 4. Date of Receipt 03/19/14		
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Type of Contribution: ✓ Direct Loan from a person Fund Raiser		
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East Lansing, MI 48823	Click Here for	Memo Itemization
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## ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS SCHEDULE 1A

#### CANDIDATE COMMITTEE

Committee LD, Number 46454

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Enter contributor's name and address. If contribution is from an individual, enter last name, first name, middle initial. Check box to indicate if contribution is from a Political Committee or an independent Committee (PAC) Report all contributions regardless of amount.	6. Amount	7. Cumulative for Election Cycle for Each Contributor (Through date of receipt)
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Lansing, MI 48911	<sub>s</sub> 50.00	, 50.00
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East Lansing, MI 48823		
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### ITEMIZED IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS

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3. Name and Address from whom received if contribution is from an individual, enter last name first. Check box to indicate if contribution is from a Political Committee or an independent Committee (Both are commonly called PACs). Report all in-kind contributions.	4. Type of In-Kind Contribution (Check applicable box) 5. Date of Receipt 6. Name & Address of Vendor from whom goods or services purchased	ware	7. Amount or Fair Market Value	8. Cumulative for Etection Cycle (Through date in Item 5)
Contribution # 1 PAC Receipt? Yes Name & Address:  Justin Hodge 1308 Haslett Rd Apt 4  East Lansing, MI 48823	4.	¥	9.90	ş9.90
If over \$100.00 cumulative, please provide: Occupation: Developmental Disabilities Clinician Employer Name & Business Address: Community Mental Health 812 E Jolly Rd Lansing, MI 48910	Description Website Domain  5. Date Of Receipt: 01/05/14  6. Vendor Name & Address: Wix.com, Inc. PO box 40190 San Francisco, CA	Clic	k Here for Memo I	llemization
Contribution # 2 PAC Receipt? Yes Name & Address Justin Hodge 1308 Haslett Rd Apt 4	4. Endorsement or Guarantee of Bank Loan Goods Donated or Loaned Services Donated Goods or Services Purchased by Candidate or Others	s 9	9.00	s 108.90
East Lansing, MI 48823  If over \$100.00 cumulative, please provide: Occupation: Developmental Disabilities Clinician Employer Name & Address: Community Mental Health 812 E Jolly Rd	Goods or Services Purchased by Candidate or Others-L  Description Website Hosting  5. Date Of Receipt: 01/05/14  6. Vendor Name & Address:  Wix.com, Inc.  PO box 40190		k Here for Memo i	llemizallon
Lansing, MI 48910 Fund Raiser Contribution	San Francisco, CA		·	
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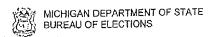
## ITEMIZED EXPENDITURES SCHEDULE 18 CANDIDATE COMMITTEE

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2. Committee Name Friends of Justin Hodge

3. Name and address of person or vendor to whom paid	4. Purpose (Required Information)	5. Date	6. Amount
Expenditure #1	,		
Name MOO Inc.		02/24/14	\$ 58.86
Address	Purpose: Stickers	Date	
985 Waterman Avenue	· ·	! !	Hamiltonia Tura
East Providence, RI 02914	Circk	Here for Metilo	Itemization Type
Fund Raiser	Check box If this expenditure is payment of debt or obligation reported on previous statement		
Expenditure #2			
Náme B-UNIQUE DESIGNZ		03/12/14	\$ 280.00
Address	Purpose: Card Printing	Date	
3308 S Cedar St #6	Click	Here for Memo	Itemization Type
Lansing Charter Township, MI 48910			. **
Fund Raiser	Check box if this expenditure is payment of debt or obligation reported on previous statement		
Expenditure #3	:		
Name B & H Foto & Electronics Corp		03/21/14	\$79,99
Address	Purpose: Video Equipment	Date	¥ <u>7 0.00</u>
420 9th Ave			
New York, NY 10001	r		temization Type
	Check box if this expenditure is payment of debt or obligation reported on previous		
Fund Raiser	statement	,	
Expenditure #4	···		
Name Michigan Farm Bureau		05/06/14	s 83.22
Address	<sub>Purpose:</sub> Banner	Date	\$ 00.22
7373 W, Saginaw Hwy.	Purpose:		
Lansing, MI 48917	Click I	Here for Memo	temization Type
	Check box if this expenditure is payment of		
Fund Ralser	debt or obligation reported on previous statement		
Expenditure #5			
Name B & H Foto & Electronics Corp		05/20/14	\$34,60
Address	Purpose: Video Equipment	Dale	V <u>04,00</u>
420 9th Ave	Click	Here for Memo	Itemization Type
New York, NY 10001	Check box If this expenditure is payment of		•
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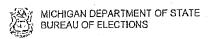
## ITEMIZED EXPENDITURES SCHEDULE 1B CANDIDATE COMMITTEE

1. Committee I. D. Number 46454

2. Commillee Name	Friends	of Justin	Hodge

3. Name and address of person or vendor to whom paid	4. Purpose (Required Information)	5, Date	6. Amount
Expenditure #1			
Name Vistaprint USA		05/26/14	\$ 54.23
	Purpose: Magnet	. Date	
Address Vistaprint USA, Incorporated	'		
95 Hayden Avenue	Click	Here for Memo I	temization Type
Lexington, MA 02421	Check box if this expenditure is payment of		
Fund Raiser	debt or obligation reported on previous statement		
Expenditure #2			
Name City of East Lansing		05/27/14	s 12.00
City of Last Lansing	Votor File	Date	\$ 12.00
Address	Purpose: Voter File		
410 Abbot Road	Click	Here for Memo I	temization Type
East Lansing, MI 48823			
	Check box if this expenditure is payment of debt or obligation reported on previous		
Fund Ralser	statement		
Expenditure #3		i	
Name City of East Lansing		06/19/14	\$87.50
Oity of Last Larioning	Purpose: Room Rental for Filming	Date	\$07.00
Address	Purpose:		
819 Abbot Road East Lansing, MI 48823	Click	Here for Mema l	temization Type
East Lansing, wit 40020	Check box if this expenditure is payment of		
Fund Raiser	debt or obligation reported on previous statement		
Expenditure #4	atalement		10.00
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Name Stamprite Supersine		07/11/14	s 17.33
Address	Purpose: Badge	Dale	
154 S Larch St			
Lansing Charter Township, MI 48912	Click	Here for Memo	temization Type
	Check box if this expenditure is payment of	•	
Fund Ralser	debt or obligation reported on previous statement		
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Expenditure #5		0.214.014.4	
Name Facebook	Advertisements	07/19/14	\$84,25
Address	Purpose: Advertisements	Date	
1601 Willow Road	Click	Here for Memo	Itemization Type
Menlo Park, CA 94025	Check box if this expenditure is payment of	t	
Fund Ralser	debt or obligation reported on previous statement	e <sup>s</sup>	
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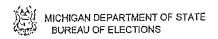
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3. Name and address of person or vendor to whom paid	4. Purpose (Required Information)	5. Dale	6, Amount	
Expenditure #1		07/19/14		

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Expenditure #1			
Name PayPal		07/19/14	. 12 10
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San Jose, California 95131	Click	Hele for Wellio	Ilemization Type
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Expenditure #4			
Name	·		
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DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS	1. Committee I.D. Nu	imber TOTOT
SCHEDULE 1E	2, Committee Name	Friends of Justin Hodge
CANDIDATE COMMITTEE		
This Schedule itemizes:		
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CANDIDATE COMMITTEE 2.00	ommittee Name			
This Schedule itemizes:				
a Debts and obligations owed by or forgiven the common (Chec	nittee OR b. Debts k either a or b. Use only for the pu	s and obligations owed <u>to</u> c rpose checked.)	r forgiven by the cor	mmillee.
3. Name and Mailing Address of person, vendor or financial institution to whom debt is owed.  Check box to indicate whether debt is owed to an incorporated business. If debt is a bank loan, please provide informalion regarding the endorsers or guarantors, if any.	4. Type of Obligation (Description) 5. Indicate date debt was incurred 6. Indicate original amount of debt	7. Date and amount of each payment	8. Cumulative payment to date on debt	9. Oulstanding Balance at close of this period (Item 6 minus Item 8)
Debt #1 Corp? Yes Owed to or by:	4. Type: Loan for card printing	\$		
Justin Hodge	5. Date Debt Was Incurred:	\$		
1308 Haslett Rd Apt 4 East Lansing, MI 48823	02/23/14	s		. 200
Last Lansing, Mi 40020	6. Original Amount of Debt:	S	\$	\$
	ş_200	\$		FORGIVEN
If bank loan, name of endorser or guarantor:		Am	ount Endorsed: \$ _	
Debt #2 Corp? Yes Owed to or by: Justin Hodge 1308 Haslett Rd Apt 4	4. Type: Loan for squipment  5. Date Debt Was Incurred: 3/10/14	\$		-
East Lansing, MI 48823	6. Original Amount of Debt:	\$	\$	s_100
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if bank loan, name of endorser or guarantor:	The second secon	A	mount Endorsed: \$_	
Debt #3 Corp? Yes Owed to or by:	4. Туре:	s		
	5. Date Debt Was Incurred:	\$		
		\$		
	6. Original Amount of Debt:	\$	s	\$
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If bank loan, name of endorser or guarantor:		Α	mount Endorsed: \$_	
		Page Subtota	il (Outstanding debt)	\$300.00
Grand Total of all Schedules 15 \$300.  (Complete on last page of Schedule showing amounts owed by or to the committee)				

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A debt or obligation must be shown on this Schedule if there was an outstanding amount owed on it at the closing date of this Campaign Statement or it was forgiven during the period covered by this Campaign Statement.



#### State of Michigan Ruth Johnson, Secretary of State DEPARTMENT OF STATE Lansing

January 28, 2015

Justin Hodge 1308 Haslett Road Apartment 4 East Lansing, Michigan 48823

Dear Mr. Hodge:

The Department of State (Department) has completed its investigation of the complaint filed against you by Barb Byrum, which alleged that you violated section 47(1) of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act (MCFA or Act), 1976 PA 388, MCL 169.247(1), by failing to include a complete and correct identification statement on certain campaign-related material. This letter concerns the disposition of Ms. Byrum's complaint.

The MCFA and corresponding administrative rules require a person who produces printed material that relates to an election to include the phrase "Paid for by [name and address of the person who paid for the item]." MCL 169.247(1), R 169.36(2). A knowing violation constitutes a misdemeanor offense punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000.00, imprisonment for up to 93 days, or both. MCL 169.247(6).

The Act also requires the Department to "endeavor to correct the violation or prevent a further violation by using informal methods [,]" if it finds that "there may be reason to believe that a violation ... has occurred [.]" MCL 169.215(10). The objective of an informal resolution is "to correct the violation or prevent a further violation [.]" Id.

Ms. Byrum filed her complaint on September 9, 2014, and you filed a written response on September 25, 2014. Ms. Byrum did not file a rebuttal statement with the Department.

Ms. Byrum alleged that you failed to include a paid-for-by statement on certain campaign literature. In support of her complaint, Ms. Byrum provided a copy of a postcard which stated, "VOTE AUGUST 5<sup>TH</sup> JUSTIN HODGE DEMOCRAT FOR INGHAM COUNTY COMMISSIONER" It appeared that this postcard did not contain a paid-for-by statement.

In your response you indicated that you were unaware of the section 47 paid-for-by statement requirement, but you did disclose your expenditure for the literature on your 2014 Pre-Primary campaign statement.

While the Department believes that the evidence tends to show that your campaign material failed to contain a paid-for-by statement, section 15(10) of the MCFA requires the Department to "endeavor to correct the violation or prevent a further violation by using informal methods such

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as a conference, conciliation, or persuasion [.]" Therefore, the Department is issuing this warning letter.

The Department is advising you that section 47(1) and R 169.36(2) require you to print a complete and accurate identification statement on all campaign materials, consisting of the phrase "paid for by" followed by the full name and address of your committee. Note that all printed materials that refer to an election or your candidacy produced in the future must include this identification statement.

Please be advised that this notice has served to remind you of your obligation under the Act to identify your printed matter, and may be used in future proceedings as evidence that tends to establish a knowing violation of the Act. A knowing violation is a misdemeanor offense and may merit referral to the Attorney General for enforcement action. MCL 169.247(6), 215(10).

The Department now considers this matter closed and will take no further action against you at this time.

Sincerely,

Lori A. Bourbonais Bureau of Elections

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