

To: [Redacted]
From: John Redding
Sent: Fri 3/18/2022 11:52:04 AM
Subject: Fw: Your approval is required for a \$4,200.00 payment to Sara Spring

From: John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>
Sent: Saturday, January 8, 2022 1:38 PM
To: [Redacted]
Subject: Fw: Your approval is required for a \$4,200.00 payment to Sara Spring

From: Melio Service <service@meliopayments.com>
Sent: Friday, January 7, 2022 10:04 AM
To: John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>
Subject: Your approval is required for a \$4,200.00 payment to Sara Spring

Hi John Redding,

Mendocino Coast Health Care District's new payment has been scheduled by **Oralia Hernandez**.

It's now waiting to be approved (or declined).

Sara Spring

Scheduled for Tue, January 11, 2022

Paid from Bank account (7244)

\$4,200.00

[Review this payment](#)

Have any questions? Contact support@melio.com

Thanks,

The Melio team

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To: [REDACTED]
From: John Redding
Sent: Fri 3/18/2022 11:48:59 AM
Subject: Fw: Melio Payments

From: Kristine McKee <Kristine@KMCKEECO.COM>
Sent: Thursday, January 13, 2022 12:41 PM
To: John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>; Oralia Gaona <Oralia@KMCKEECO.COM>
Cc: Jessica Grinberg <jgrinberg@mcdh.org>; Amy McColley <amccolley@mcdh.org>
Subject: RE: Melio Payments

All,

John, you authorized the payment below on Tuesday and then told Oralia you would not authorize? I went in and added Amy as the same authority per the bylaws. You gave instructions below that you are the only authorized approver; however, that is not per the Bylaws and I have updated to match the Bylaws with you and Amy as approvers. Amy, you will receive an email from Melio for payment approval, if not, please let us know? Please approve so this payment can process.

Any future disputes and challenge should be kept within your organization and not a part of our processing. Please do not bring the conflict to our staff, they have no solution. If my staff requests information to process payment, it is the same as if I am requesting it, please work with them and get the approval you need with your board if you are not comfortable. I really appreciate your support here.

I added my credit card to the Rackspace which pays for the emails as it was set to cancel and I am out tomorrow. I will require reimbursement for this month and require a company credit card to transfer the future billing to.

Thank you,
Kristine

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From: John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>
Sent: Tuesday, January 11, 2022 6:50 AM
To: Kristine McKee <Kristine@KMCKEECO.COM>; Oralia Gaona <Oralia@KMCKEECO.COM>
Cc: Jessica Grinberg <jgrinberg@mcdh.org>
Subject: Re: Melio Payments

Hi Kristine,

Thanks for your email and comments. Our bylaws do not identify me as the sole authority on financial matters. Rather, that has been Board practice for years.

After reviewing the bylaws again, I discovered that the Chair's authority on financial matters exceeds my own. The Chair shall...

"Be responsible for the ongoing administrative affairs of the Board, including without limitation, supervision of financial matters, correspondence, and administrative activities of the Board."

So, I must correct myself. Since you have a written authorization from the Chair to pay Sara Spring \$4,200, you should comply with it. I can't, apparently, prevent it from happening.

Regards,
John

From: Kristine McKee <Kristine@KMCKEECO.COM>
Sent: Monday, January 10, 2022 5:40 PM
To: John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>; Oralia Gaona <Oralia@KMCKEECO.COM>
Cc: Jessica Grinberg <jgrinberg@mcdh.org>
Subject: RE: Melio Payments

Hi John,

I have updated the file to reflect you as only authorized; however, typically we have a secondary on file for emergencies, vacation etc. Please provide a second authorized by the board so we can have ability to timely pay the bills if you are unavailable.

Would you please provide the Bylaws that state the Treasurer is the only authorized board member on matters of financial to approve disbursements? I want to have on hand for any future requests by board members and to avoid being caught in the middle.

With regards to below, I would highly suggest that you touch base with your legal advisor for many reasons. 1. A negative conclusion such as you state if not proven true can be detrimental. 2. This should be discussed with your board members before any such conclusion. 3. A benefit denied is the same as an unpaid bill and therefore easy to conclude that someone is due the payment. Seek guidance on how to mitigate a negative outcome, especially if this is a misinformed issue.

I hope this settles down as you are all volunteers at the end of the day and working together is far more valuable than against each other. But you all already know this and yet, you still have a tough road ahead. Please let us know how we can support you all successfully and as a united front?

Thank you,
Kristine

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From: John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>
Sent: Monday, January 10, 2022 4:27 PM
To: Kristine McKee <Kristine@KMCKEECO.COM>; Oralia Gaona <Oralia@KMCKEECO.COM>
Cc: Jessica Grinberg <jgrinberg@mcdh.org>
Subject: Re: Melio Payments

Hi Kristine,

This would be, if completed, a fraudulent payment.

We have a Health Reimbursement Account program that is managed by an accredited plan administered, P&A. Our previous CEO failed to enroll both she and another Board member for FY2021 (ended June 30th). This was clearly unfair. But when I spoke with P&A, they indicated that they could not retroactively enroll these two. I informed Ms. Spring but she has continued to insist that she is owed \$4,200 which is the 7 months in which she was not enrolled times \$600 a month. This is not a stipend, as Ms. Spring contends, but a cost reimbursement program. We spoke several times about this and Ms. McColley was also informed.

Therefore, this instruction then by Ms. McColley cannot be for reimbursement of medical expenses but a payment, compensation. Board members are not permitted by law to receive compensation. In either case, I see this as a deliberate attempt to embezzle taxpayer money.

You can see why I am upset about this.

John

From: Kristine McKee <Kristine@KMCKEECO.COM>
Sent: Monday, January 10, 2022 4:11 PM
To: John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>; Oralia Gaona <Oralia@KMCKEECO.COM>
Cc: Jessica Grinberg <jgrinberg@mcdh.org>
Subject: RE: Melio Payments

Amy sent us the invoice to pay and the email authorizing Sara to be paid. I attached the email. Please review.

Thank you,
Kristine

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From: John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>
Sent: Monday, January 10, 2022 4:02 PM
To: Kristine McKee <Kristine@KMCKEECO.COM>; Oralia Gaona <Oralia@KMCKEECO.COM>
Cc: Jessica Grinberg <jgrinberg@mcdh.org>
Subject: Re: Melio Payments

Hi,

For now, I have the authority. Did you say the Vice President ordered this?

John

From: Kristine McKee <Kristine@KMCKEECO.COM>
Sent: Monday, January 10, 2022 4:00 PM
To: John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>; Oralia Gaona <Oralia@KMCKEECO.COM>
Cc: Jessica Grinberg <jgrinberg@mcdh.org>
Subject: RE: Melio Payments

Hi John,

This was requested in writing. Further, our office received instruction you John that you were no longer responsible. We reached out to the board and followed the Vice President and Sara's direction. See attached email for Sara's reimbursement due.

Please put in writing who has signer and approval authority and who is second if something should happen to you.

Thank you,
Kristine

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From: John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>
Sent: Monday, January 10, 2022 8:57 AM
To: Oralia Gaona <Oralia@KMCKEECO.COM>
Cc: Jessica Grinberg <jgrinberg@mcdh.org>; Kristine McKee <Kristine@KMCKEECO.COM>
Subject: Re: Melio Payments

Please do not pay this. John

From: Oralia Gaona <Oralia@KMCKEECO.COM>
Sent: Monday, January 10, 2022 8:55 AM
To: John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>
Subject: Re: Melio Payments

No, but we did receive an invoice to be paid in her name which i will attach to this email. It has not been paid, please let me know how to proceed.

Oralia

On Mon, Jan 10, 2022 at 8:49 AM, <jredding@mcdh.org> wrote:

Hi Oralia,

I learned, after that email exchange, that I am still the Treasurer until replaced. Please note.

Has any money been paid out, specifically to Sara Spring. Thanks,
John

From: Oralia Gaona <Oralia@KMCKEECO.COM>
Sent: Monday, January 10, 2022 8:46 AM
To: John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>
Subject: Re: Melio Payments

We received a call from Sara Spring shortly after you told us that you were no longer treasurer. She instructed us with giving her access to Docs and payment information.

Kind Regards,

Oralia

On Sun, Jan 09, 2022 at 3:32 PM, <jredding@mcdh.org> wrote:

Hi Oralia,

I am still the Treasurer and the only Board member with access to the bank accounts for paying bills. Can you tell me what you have been instructed to do and who on the Board requested it? It appears that you are giving another board member access to the account which would be improper.

This is very time sensitive so please respond immediately if possible. I can also be reached at 408-859-8900. Thanks.

Cheers,
John

From: Oralia Gaona <Oralia@KMCKEECO.COM>
Sent: Sunday, January 9, 2022 8:07 AM
To: John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>
Subject: Melio Payments

Hi John,

I'm slightly confused, are you still in charge or making and approving payments for MCHCD? I've been working to get a different Melio account set up and it looks like you're still using the old one with you as an owner.

Kind Regards,

Oralia

To: [Redacted]
From: John Redding
Sent: Fri 3/18/2022 11:56:25 AM
Subject: Fw: Public Records Request #21-188

From: Lemos, June <Jlemos@fortbragg.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 11, 2021 9:23 AM
To: Jessica Ginberg <jgrinberg@mcdh.org>; Amy McColley <amccolley@mcdh.org>; Sara Spring <sspring@mcdh.org>; John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>; Norman de Vall <ndevall@mcdh.org>
Subject: Public Records Request #21-188

Your request for copies of public records requests regarding Jacob Patterson made by Malcolm Macdonald and Chris Calder has been fulfilled. You may review the records via the following link: <https://cityoffortbraggca.nextrequest.com/requests/21-188>. The records provided are links to the four responsive records requests.

Sincerely,

June Lemos, CMC
City Clerk
City of Fort Bragg
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To: johnredding@earthlink.net[johnredding@earthlink.net]
From: John Redding
Sent: Fri 3/18/2022 11:52:51 AM
Subject: Fw: \$600

From: John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>
Sent: Tuesday, December 14, 2021 1:34 PM
To: Amy McColley <amccolley@mcdh.org>; Norman de Vall <ndevall@mcdh.org>
Subject: Fw: \$600

One of Sara's many complaints. I tried to resolve but she is still insisting on being paid \$4200. Over to you.

From: Sara Spring <sspring@mcdh.org>
Sent: Thursday, December 9, 2021 7:39 PM
To: John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>
Subject: Re: \$600

Hi John

I'm talking about the period before my account was started.

Sara

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From: John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>
Sent: Thursday, December 9, 2021 7:15:50 PM
To: Sara Spring <sspring@mcdh.org>
Subject: Re: \$600

Hi Sara,

It doesn't work that way. First, you have to submit claims to P&A with receipts. P&A will then review and issue you a check. I am not allowed to just send you money.

John

From: Sara Spring <sspring@mcdh.org>
Sent: Thursday, December 9, 2021 7:13 PM
To: John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>
Subject: Fwd: \$600

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From: Sara Spring
Sent: Thursday, December 9, 2021 7:13:06 PM
To: Jessica Grinberg <jgrinberg@mcdh.org>
Subject: \$600

Hi John

This is to inform you that expect a check for \$4200.00 by December 17th for the \$600 I am due per month from December 2020 to June 2021.

Sara

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To: [Redacted]
From: John Redding
Sent: Fri 3/18/2022 11:51:30 AM
Subject: Fw: Check to Sara Spring

From: Oralia Gaona <Oralia@KMCKEECO.COM>
Sent: Wednesday, January 12, 2022 3:21 PM
To: John Redding <jredding@mcdh.org>
Subject: Re: Check to Sara Spring

Hi John,

No, someone must approve it in order to process through Melio.

Can you tell me if you'd attempted the setting change to transfer ownership to Kristine?

Kind Regards,

Oralia

On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 1:33 PM, <jredding@mcdh.org> wrote:

Hi Oralia,

Has the check for \$4,200 been given to Sara Spring. I have a responsibility to keep track of it. Please keep me posted. Thanks!

Cheers,
John