

**STATE OF MINNESOTA**  
**CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD**

**CONCILIATION**

**AGREEMENT**

In the matter of the (Keith) Langseth Volunteer Committee (#10999);

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.28, subdivision 3, the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board and Senator Keith Langseth (hereinafter referred to as "the Candidate") hereby agree as follows:

1. The (Keith) Langseth Volunteer Committee ("the Committee") is the principal campaign committee of Senator Keith Langseth. During 2010, the Committee accepted \$12,944 in contributions from special sources. These sources include large givers from whom the Committee accepted \$1,000, registered lobbyists from whom the Committee accepted \$4,194, and political committees or political funds from which the Committee accepted \$7,750. The total amount of these contributions exceeded by \$44 the applicable limit on aggregate contributions from special sources, which for a state senate candidate was \$12,900. The \$44 in excess contributions was not returned within 60 days, and thus, is deemed accepted under Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.15, subdivision 3.

2. In correspondence dated March 2, 2011, Joy Green, treasurer, states “It was an oversight on my part...” and provided a copy of a letter and check used to return the excess contribution to a lobbyist who contributed to the Committee.
3. Board records show that this is the first calendar year in which the Committee reported acceptance of contributions that exceeded the applicable aggregate contribution limit. The Committee registered with the Board on November 21, 1979.
4. The parties agree that the Committee accepted excessive contributions from special sources resulting in an inadvertent violation of Minnesota Statutes, section 10A. 27, subdivision 11, in calendar year 2010.
5. The Committee has returned \$44 to a lobbyist who contributed to the Committee in calendar year 2010. A copy of the check and the accompanying letter returning the excess amount was provided to the Board.
6. The Candidate agrees to pay a civil penalty of \$44, one times the amount by which the contributions exceeded the applicable limit, to be paid to the Board for deposit in the general fund of the state.
7. The Committee hereby agrees to forward to the Board \$44 by check or money order payable to the State of Minnesota within 30 days after the date this Agreement is signed by both parties. It is agreed by the parties that payment of the civil penalty of \$44 and this Conciliation

Agreement will be a bar to any civil proceeding under Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.28, subdivisions 3 and 4.

8. It is further understood and agreed, however, that failure to pay the civil penalty of \$44 within the time specified in paragraph 7 above, is a violation of the terms of this conciliation agreement and the Board may declare this agreement to be null and void and may take further action to resolve this matter.

9. It is further understood and agreed that this Agreement is confidential until signed by the Candidate and the Board Chair. Once signed, the Agreement shall become a matter of public record, and the statutory requirement of confidentiality shall no longer apply. Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.02, subdivision 11 and section 10A.28, subdivision 3.

Keith Langseth Dated: 7/25/2011

Senator Keith Langseth

Approved by the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

By John Scanlon Dated: April 19, 2010

John Scanlon, Chair

Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board