

STATE OF MINNESOTA
CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD

CONCILIATION
AGREEMENT

In the matter of the Patricia Anderson for State Auditor Committee (#15488);

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.28, subdivision 3, the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board and Patricia Anderson (hereinafter referred to as “the Candidate”) hereby agree as follows:

1. The Patricia Anderson for State Auditor Committee (“the Committee”) is the principal campaign committee of Patricia Anderson. The 2010 election year contribution limit from an individual to a state auditor candidate was \$1,000, as provided in Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.27, subdivision 1(a)(2). During 2010, the Committee accepted cumulative contributions that total \$1,500 from an individual. The contributions exceeded the applicable contribution limit by \$500. The amount of the excess contributions was not returned within 60 days, and thus, is deemed accepted under Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.15, subdivision 3.

2. In a letter dated August 1, 2011, Patricia Anderson, states “After checking our records...we confirm the campaign did accept \$1500 from [an individual] in 2010 as was previously disclosed on our year-end report. To that end, we have refunded \$500 of his contribution. ...There was no intent to violate the statutes, and we had fully disclosed the contributions.”

3. Board records show that this is the first calendar year in which the Committee reported acceptance of contributions that exceeded the applicable contribution limit. The Committee registered with the Board on October 17, 2001.

4. The parties agree that the Committee accepted excessive cumulative contributions from an individual resulting in an inadvertent violation of Minnesota Statutes, section 10A. 27, subdivision 1(a)(2), in calendar year 2010.

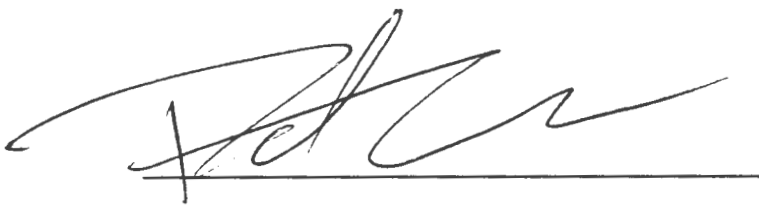
5. The Committee has returned \$500 to the individual who made the excess contribution. A copy of the check returning the excess amount was provided to the Board.

6. The Candidate agrees to pay a civil penalty of \$500, 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 \$500 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 \$500 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 \$500 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.



Dated: August 25, 2011

Patricia Anderson

Approved by the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

By John Scanlon

Dated: August 16, 2011

John Scanlon, Chair

Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board