

STATE OF MINNESOTA
CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD

CONCILIATION
AGREEMENT

In the matter of the Mike Parry for State Senate Committee (#16983);

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

1. The Mike Parry for State Senate Committee (“the Committee”) is the principal campaign committee of Senator Mike Parry. During 2011, the Committee accepted \$3,000 in contributions from special sources. These sources include lobbyists from whom the Committee accepted \$800 and political committees or political funds from which the Committee accepted \$2,200. The total amount of these contributions exceeded by \$400 the applicable limit on aggregate contributions from special sources, which for a state senate candidate was \$2,600. The \$400 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 February 22, 2012, Matt Johansen, treasurer, states, “I, as treasurer of the campaign, accept full responsibility for the violation. I had been tracking the expenses and contributions for the campaign in a spreadsheet and had not noted the

contributions from lobbyists separately so I had missed that we had gone over the special source limit. When I was entering the information into the CFB software I became aware of the error. ...I have issued checks totaling \$400 to the last 4 special source contributors returning the contributions..."

3. Board records show that this is the first calendar year in which the Committee reported acceptance of contributions that exceeded the aggregate special source contribution limit. The Committee registered with the Board on March 3, 2010.

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 2011.

5. The Committee has returned \$400 to four special source contributors mentioned in paragraph 1. Copies of the checks returning the excess amounts must be forwarded to the Board within 30 days after the date this agreement is signed by both parties.

6. The Candidate agrees to pay a civil penalty of \$400, 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 \$400 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 \$400 and this conciliation

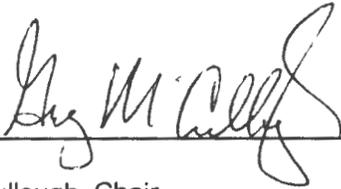
agreement will be a bar to any civil proceeding under Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.28, subdivisions 3 and 4.

8. It is further understood and agreed, however, that failure to pay the civil penalty of \$400 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: 3-30-12
Senator Mike Parry

Approved by the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

By 
_____ Dated: March 6, 2012
Greg McCullough, Chair

Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board