STATE OF MINNESOTA CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD

COMPLAINT of Doug Baker P.O. Box 193 Lanesboro, MN 55949

In Re Ken Tschumper and the Ken Tschumper for Minnesota House Committee's Failure to Disclose Campaign Expenditure

Introduction

This complaint presents a violation of Minn. Stat. §10A.20 by Ken Tschumper, the DFL candidate for the Minnesota House of Representatives in district 28B, and the Ken Tschumper for Minnesota House committee (collectively referred to as Respondents). On July 2, 2012, Respondents purchased a block of advertising time from radio station KFIL in the amount of \$283.50. This campaign expenditure was not reported in Respondents' campaign finance report for the time period ending July 30, 2012. The Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board should find a violation of Minn. Stat. §10A.20 and provide appropriate relief and penalties as prescribed by law.

Facts

On or about July 2, 2012, radio station KFIL in Preston, Minnesota sold a block of advertising time to "*Ken Tschumper for the Minnesota House*." See, Exhibit A and B. These ads were campaign ads run for the purpose of influencing voters to support the candidacy of Ken Tschumper. The radio advertising ran on KFIL radio from July 11, 2012 until July 31, 2012. See, Id. The radio advertising was purchased with a personal check from Ken Tschumper in the amount of \$283.50. See, Exhibit C.

On or about July 30, 2012, Respondents filed a campaign finance report and the expenditure of \$283.50 for the advertising on KFIL radio was not disclosed.

<u>Argument</u>

Minn. Stat. §10A.20(g) requires that campaign finance reports must:

disclose the name and address of each individual or association to whom aggregate expenditures, including approved expenditures, have been made by or on behalf of the reporting entity within the year in excess of \$100, together with the amount, date, and purpose of each expenditure and the name and address of, and office sought by, each candidate on whose behalf the expenditure was made

In the instant case, Respondents did not disclose the expenditure of \$283.50 that was paid to radio station KFIL on or about July 2, 2012. As such, Respondents violated Minnesota Statutes 10A.20.

Conclusion

The above stated facts demonstrate that Respondents Ken Tschumper, and the Ken Tschumper for the Minnesota House committee, violated the campaign reporting requirements of Minnesota Statutes 10A. As such Complainant respectfully requests that the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board affirm this Complaint and impose applicable statutory penalties against Respondents.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: September 10, 2012

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ATTORNEY FOR COMPLAINANT

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NAB Form PB-17 Candidates

For programming that, in whole or in part, "communicates a message relating to any political matter of national importance," list the matters below:

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and you are authorized to announce the time as paid for by such person or entity. I represent that this person or entity is either a legally qualified candidate or an authorized committee/organization of the legally qualified candidate.

The name of the treasurer of the candidate's authorized committee is:

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Exhibit C

This station has disclosed to me its political advertising policies, including: applicable classes and rates; and discount, promotional and other sales practices (not applicable to federal candidates).

THIS STATION DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE OR PERMIT DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF RACE OR ETHNICITY IN THE PLACEMENT OF ADVERTISING.

To Be Signed By Candidate or Authorized Committee

To Be Signed By Station Representative

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