

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

**CONCILIATION
AGREEMENT**

In the matter of the Roger Johnson Campaign Committee (17894);

1. On October 10, 2016, Roger Johnson (candidate) contacted the Board to self-report that his committee, the Roger Johnson Campaign Committee, had inadvertently produced and distributed campaign literature that did not include the statutorily required disclaimer. The candidate estimated that the committee handed out 300 pieces of the literature while door knocking on October 8, 2016. The candidate acknowledged that a disclaimer should have been included on the literature.

2. Minnesota Statutes section 211B.04 requires a candidate committee to prominently include a disclaimer with the committee's name and address on the committee's campaign material. The parties agree that the committee prepared and distributed campaign material without including the statutorily required disclaimer, in violation of this section.

3. To resolve this matter informally, the candidate agrees that the committee will refrain from using the remaining literature unless a disclaimer meeting the statutorily required form has been added to the pieces.

4. The candidate agrees that the Board's acceptance of this agreement constitutes the imposition of a civil penalty in the amount of \$100 against the candidate for distributing campaign material without the required statutory disclaimer in violation of Minnesota Statutes section 211B.04. The amount of the penalty reflects the limited number of campaign pieces distributed without a disclaimer and that the candidate self-reported the violation. The committee must pay \$50 of the penalty within 30 days of the date the agreement is signed by both parties. The remaining \$50 balance of the penalty is, by the terms of this agreement, stayed until January 1, 2018. If the committee violates Minnesota Statutes section 211B.04 before January 1, 2018, the outstanding civil penalty is due immediately. If the committee does not violate Minnesota Statutes section 211B.04 within that timeframe, the outstanding civil penalty is waived.

5. If the candidate or the committee does not comply with the provisions of this agreement, this matter may be reopened by the Board and the Board may take such actions as it deems appropriate.

/s/ Roger Johnson Dated: 11/10/2016
Roger Johnson
Roger Johnson Campaign Committee

Agreement approved by the Board at its meeting of November 10, 2016

/s/ Daniel Rosen
Daniel N. Rosen, Chair
Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board