

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

CONCILIATION AGREEMENT

In the Matter of lobbyist Maureen Hackett (2818);

1. The June 2020 report of receipts and expenditures of the DFL House Caucus disclosed a \$250 contribution received April 17, 2020, from lobbyist Dr. Maureen Hackett. Minnesota Statutes section 10A.273, subdivision 1, prohibits a registered lobbyist from making a contribution to a legislative party unit during a regular session of the legislature and the legislature was in regular session on that date. The contribution was not returned within 90 days of deposit and is therefore deemed accepted under Minnesota Statutes section 10A.15, subdivision 3.
2. Dr. Hackett explained that at the time the contribution was given, she was no longer lobbying and did not think of the prohibition on contributions from lobbyists to legislative party units during the legislative session. Dr. Hackett stated that she intends to terminate her registration as a lobbyist.
3. The parties agree that Dr. Hackett made a contribution to a legislative party unit during a regular session of the legislature in violation of Minnesota Statutes section 10A.273, subdivision 1. This is Dr. Hackett's first violation of the restrictions on contributions during the legislative session.
4. To avoid a similar violation in the future, Dr. Hackett agrees to either:
 - a. Terminate her registration as a lobbyist; or
 - b. Refrain from making a contribution to a legislative party unit or a candidate for the legislature or constitutional office during a regular session of the legislature.
5. Dr. Hackett agrees to the imposition of a civil penalty of \$100 for making a contribution to a legislative party unit during a regular session of the legislature. Payment is due within 30 days of the date the agreement is signed by both parties.
6. Dr. Hackett agrees to provide to the Board, within 90 days of the date the agreement is signed by both parties, a copy of the deposited check or other documentation showing that the \$250 refunded by the party unit was deposited.

7. If Dr. Hackett 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/ Maureen Hackett
Dr. Maureen Hackett, Lobbyist

Dated: October 9, 2020

/s/ Gary Haugen
Gary Haugen, Chair
Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

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