State of Minnesota
Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

Conciliation Agreement

In the matter of the Housley (Karin) For Senate committee (16964);

1. Housley (Karin) For Senate is the principal campaign committee of Senator Karin Housley, who was a candidate for Senate District 33. The aggregate special source contribution limit, which includes contributions from lobbyists, political committees and funds, and associations not registered with the Board, was $7,300 for candidates for state senator during the 2023-2024 election cycle segment. The committee accepted a total of $8,300 in special source contributions, which exceeded the limit by $1,000.

2. The committee's treasurer, Jacob Schneider, explained that contributions received by the committee were not recorded and tallied in a timely manner. As a result, the committee did not realize that the aggregate special source limit had been exceeded until months after the excess contributions were received. Mr. Schneider provided documentation showing that refunds totaling $500 were issued to two special source contributors in December 2024 and that those refunds have been deposited. Mr. Schneider explained that the committee issued a refund check to another special source contributor for $500, but the check has not been deposited. Mr. Schneider stated that the committee will issue another refund check to that contributor. The excess amount totaling $1,000 was not returned within 90 days of deposit and is therefore deemed accepted under Minnesota Statutes section 10A.15, subdivision 3.

3. The Housley committee and the Board agree that the committee inadvertently accepted excessive contributions from special source contributors in violation of Minnesota Statutes section 10A.27, subdivision 11, during the 2023-2024 election cycle segment. The committee registered with the Board in 2009 and has no prior violations of the aggregate special source limit.

4. To avoid a similar violation in the future, the committee agrees that its treasurer, deputy treasurer, or Senator Housley will review the amount of each contribution and enter or import it within 60 days of receipt within the Board's Campaign Finance Reporter Online application, then review any applicable compliance warnings and return any amount that would cause a violation of a contribution limit.

5. The Housley committee agrees to the imposition of a civil penalty of $250 for accepting contributions in excess of the limit imposed by Minnesota Statutes section 10A.27, subdivision 11. Payment is due within 30 days of the date the agreement is signed by both parties. The amount of the civil penalty was determined in part by the fact that this was a first-time violation of the aggregate special source limit.

6. The Housley committee also agrees to provide to the Board, within 60 days of the date the agreement is signed by both parties, a copy of the deposited check or other documentation showing that the remaining $500 has been refunded to a special source contributor.

7. If 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/ Karin Housley   Dated: November 6, 2025
Senator Karin Housley
Housley (Karin) For Senate

/s/ Faris Rashid   Dated: October 15, 2025
Faris Rashid, Chair
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