

STATE OF MINNESOTA
CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD

CONCILIATION

AGREEMENT

In the matter of the Jeff Johnson for Attorney General Committee (#16243);

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.28, subdivision 3, the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board and Jeff Johnson (hereinafter referred to as "the Candidate") hereby agree as follows:

1. During 2006, the Jeff Johnson for Attorney General Committee ("the Committee") accepted aggregate contributions from party units and terminating principal campaign committees in the amount of \$10,500 which exceeded the \$10,000 election year limit on contributions from party units and terminating principal campaign committees, set out in Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.27, subdivision 2, by \$500. The excess contributions were not returned within 60 days as required by Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.15, subdivision 3.

2. In correspondence dated June 12, 2007, Kathy Latham, treasurer, stated "The campaign received two separate checks from the same Senate District. Unfortunately, we made an error on our end and only entered one of the two checks."

3. Board records show that this is the first calendar year in which the Committee reported acceptance of contributions in excess of the applicable party unit contribution limit. The Committee registered with the Board on March 2, 2005.

4. The parties agree that the Committee accepted cumulatively-excessive contributions from party units and terminating principal campaign committees in calendar year 2006 resulting in an inadvertent violation of Minnesota Statutes, Section 10A.27, subdivision 2.

5. The Candidate hereby agrees to return \$500 to party units that contributed to the committee in calendar year 2006. Copies of the check(s) and accompanying letter(s) returning the excess amount must be forwarded to the Board within 30 days after the date this Conciliation Agreement is signed by the Board chair.

6. The Board imposes a civil penalty of \$500, 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 Candidate hereby agrees to forward to the Board \$500 by check or money order payable to the STATE OF MINNESOTA within 30 days after the date this Agreement is signed by the Board chair. It is agreed by the parties that payment of the civil penalty of \$500 and this Conciliation Agreement will be a bar to any civil proceeding under Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.28, subdivisions 3 and 4.

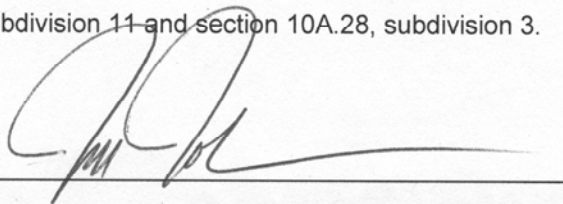
8. It is further understood and agreed, however, that if the civil penalty of \$500 is not paid within the time specified in paragraph 7 above, then the Candidate will be personally liable to pay a civil penalty, under Minnesota Statutes, sections 10A.28 and 10A.34, subdivision 1, in an amount calculated as follows:

(a) \$1,000 which is two times the amount by which the contributions exceeded the statutory limit, if payment is received 61 to 90 days after the date this Agreement is signed by the Board Chair;

(b) \$1,500 which is three times the amount by which the contributions exceeded the statutory limit, if payment is received 91 to 120 days after the date this Agreement is signed by the Board Chair.

(c) \$2,000, four times the amount by which the contributions exceeded the statutory limit, if payment is received after 120 days after the date this Agreement is signed by the Board Chair.

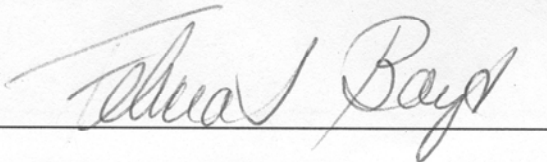
9. It is further understood and agreed that this Agreement is confidential until signed by the Candidate and the Board Chair; the signed Agreement then shall become a matter of public record, and the statutory requirement of confidentiality shall no longer apply. Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.02, subdivision 11 and section 10A.28, subdivision 3.



Jeff Johnson

Dated: 7/15/07

Approved by the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board



Felicia J. Boyd, Chair

Dated: 7/20/07

Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board