

STATE OF MINNESOTA

CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD

CONCILIATION

AGREEMENT

In the matter of the Friends of Matt Dean Committee (#15521);

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

1. During 2007, the Friends of Matt Dean Committee ("the Committee") accepted aggregate contributions from party units and terminating principal campaign committees in the amount of \$1,100. This amount exceeds the \$1,000 nonelection year limit on contributions from party units and terminating principal campaign committees, set out in Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.27, subdivision 2, by \$100. The excess contributions were not returned within 60 days as required by Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.15, subdivision 3.

2. In correspondence dated February 24, 2008, Laura Dean, treasurer, stated "I have already refunded the \$100... ..I apologize for my unintended error."

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 December 17, 2001.

4. The parties agree that the Committee accepted cumulatively-excessive contributions from party units and terminating principal campaign committees in calendar year 2007 resulting in an inadvertent violation of Minnesota Statutes, Section 10A.27, subdivision 2.

5. The Candidate has returned \$100 to party units that contributed to the committee in calendar year 2007. A copy of the check and accompanying letter used to return 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 \$100, 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 \$100 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 copies of the check and accompanying letter returning the contribution, payment of the civil penalty of \$100 and this Conciliation Agreement will be a bar to any civil proceeding under Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.28, subdivisions 3 and 4.

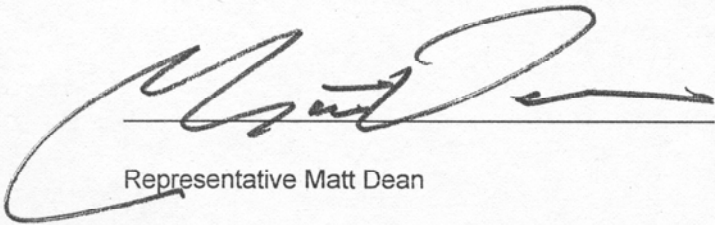
8. It is further understood and agreed, however, that if the civil penalty of \$100 is not paid within the time specified in paragraph 7 above, then the Candidate will be personally liable to pay a civil penalty, under Minnesota Statutes, sections 10A.28 and 10A.34, subdivision 1, in an amount calculated as follows:

(a) \$200 which is two times the amount by which the contributions exceeded the statutory limit, if payment is received 31 to 60 days after the date this Agreement is signed by the Board Chair;

(b) \$300 which is three 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.

(c) \$400, four times the amount by which the contributions exceeded the statutory limit, if payment is received after 90 days after the date this Agreement is signed by the Board Chair.

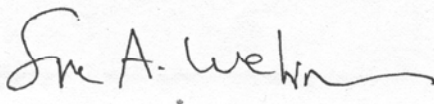
9. It is further understood and agreed that this Agreement is confidential until signed by the Candidate and the Board Chair; the signed Agreement then shall become a matter of public record, and the statutory requirement of confidentiality shall no longer apply. Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.02, subdivision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



Representative Matt Dean

Dated: 5/1/08

Approved by the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

By 

Sven Wehrwein, Chair

Dated: 5/8/08

Sven Wehrwein, Chair

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