

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

**CONCILIATION  
AGREEMENT**

In the Matter of Loren Solberg Consulting, LLC;

1. A routine staff review by the Minnesota Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board of the Norman County DFL's 2014 year-end Report of Receipts and Expenditures identified a contribution which, as reported, constitutes a violation of the Minnesota Statutes.
2. The Norman County DFL reported that, on February 24, 2014, it received a contribution from Loren Solberg Consulting, LLC in the amount of \$50. Norman County DFL is a political party unit registered with the Board. An examination of business filings on the Secretary of State's website indicates that Loren Solberg Consulting, LLC is a Minnesota limited liability company.
3. Corporations are prohibited from making contributions to political party units under Minnesota Statutes section 211B.15, subdivision 2. A limited liability corporation is classified as a corporation for the purposes of the section 211B.15 prohibition on corporate contributions.
4. The Norman County DFL returned the prohibited contribution to Loren Solberg Consulting, LLC on March 3, 2015. A copy of the check used to return the contribution was provided to the Board. However, the contribution was not returned within the 90-day period within which a contribution may be returned to avoid a violation and is therefore deemed accepted.
5. To resolve this matter informally, and to avoid these violations in the future, Loren Solberg Consulting, LLC agrees that it will refrain from making political contributions to entities that are registered with the Board, other than independent expenditure political committees, independent expenditure political funds, ballot question political committees, and ballot question political funds.
6. Loren Solberg Consulting, LLC agrees that the Board's acceptance of this agreement constitutes the imposition of a civil penalty in the amount of \$50 against Loren Solberg Consulting, LLC for making a contribution that was prohibited by Minnesota Statutes section 211B.15, subdivision 2. \$12.50 of the penalty is due within 30 days of the date this agreement is signed by both parties. \$37.50 of the penalty is, by the terms of this agreement, stayed until January 1, 2017. If Loren Solberg Consulting, LLC violates Minnesota Statutes section 211B.15, subdivision 2 before January 1, 2017, the stayed portion of the civil penalty is due immediately. If Loren Solberg Consulting, LLC does not violate Minnesota Statutes section 211B.15, subdivision 2 before January 1, 2017, the stayed portion of the civil penalty is waived.

7. If Loren Solberg Consulting, LLC 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/ Loren Solberg Dated: 4/24/2015  
Loren Solberg  
Loren Solberg Consulting, LLC

/s/ Gary Goldsmith Dated: 4/15/2015  
Gary Goldsmith, Executive Director  
Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

Agreement approved by Board at meeting of April 14, 2015

/s/ George A. Beck  
George A. Beck, Chair  
Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board