

STATE OF MINNESOTA
CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD

CONCILIATION

AGREEMENT

In the matter of the Senator (Dennis) Frederickson Volunteer Committee (#11028);

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §10A.28, subd. 3, the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board (“the Board”) and Senator Dennis Frederickson hereby agree as follows:

1. During calendar year 2004, the Senator (Dennis) Frederickson Volunteer Committee accepted two \$100 contributions from Inter Faculty Organization Lobby Fund, a registered political fund. These contributions cumulatively exceeded by \$100 the \$100 non-election year limit from a political fund as set out in Minn. Stat. §10A.27, subd. 1(a)(4). The excess contribution was not returned by the committee within 60 days as required by Minn. Stat. §10A.15, subd. 3.

2. In a letter received on April 22, 2005, Scott Schmeling, treasurer, stated “I inadvertently accepted two checks for \$100 each from the Inter Faculty Organization and didn’t notice it until I did the yearly report.” Mr. Schmeling provided the Board with a copy of the check and accompanying letter returning the excess contribution.

3. The Senator (Dennis) Frederickson Volunteer Committee registered with the Board on February 7, 1980. This is the first calendar year in which the Senator (Dennis) Frederickson Volunteer Committee reported acceptance of contributions that cumulatively exceeded the applicable contribution limit.

4. The parties agree that the Senator (Dennis) Frederickson Volunteer Committee accepted cumulatively excessive contributions in calendar year 2004, resulting in an inadvertent violation of Minn. Stat. §10A. 27, subd. 1(a)(4).

5. The excess contribution having been returned, the Board imposes a civil penalty totaling \$100 to be paid to the Board for deposit in the general fund of the state. This civil penalty represents one times the amount by which the contributions cumulatively exceeded the applicable contribution limit.

6. Senator Frederickson 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 payment of the civil penalty of \$100, and this Conciliation Agreement will be a bar to any civil proceeding under Minn. Stat. §10A.28, subds. 3 and 4.

7. It is further understood and agreed, however, that if the civil penalty of \$100 is not paid within 30 days, as specified in paragraph 6 above, then under Minn. Stat. §§10A.28 and 10A.34, subd. 1, Senator Frederickson will be personally liable to pay a civil penalty in an amount calculated as follows:

(a) \$200, if payment is received 31 to 60 days after the date this Agreement is signed by the Board Chair;

(b) \$300, if payment is received 61 days to 90 days after the date this Agreement is signed by the Board Chair;

(c) \$400, if payment is received 91 to 120 days after the date this Agreement is signed by the Board Chair.

8. It is further understood that if the civil penalty is not paid as agreed, within the times specified in paragraph 7 above, the Board will proceed to enforce the provisions of Minn. Stat. §10A.28, subd. 4.

9. It is further understood and agreed that this Agreement is confidential until signed by Senator Frederickson 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. Minn. Stat. §§10A.02, subd. 11 and 10A.28, subd. 3.

Dennis Frederickson
Senator Dennis Frederickson

Dated: *June 17, 2005*

Approved by the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

By *Terri Ashmore*
Terri Ashmore, Chair
Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

Dated: