

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

**CONCILIATION**  
**AGREEMENT**

In the matter of the Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1055 Political Fund (#30074):

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.28, subdivision 3, the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board and, Charles Gudknect, treasurer, Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1055 Political Fund hereby agree as follows:

1. During calendar year 2007 the contribution limit from a political committee or fund to a state senate candidate was \$100 as set out in Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.27, subdivision 1, clause a (4) and clause c. In 2007 the Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1055 Political Fund (the "Fund") contributed \$200 to the Dan Skogen for Senate Committee. The contribution exceeded by \$100 the applicable limit. The amount of the excess contribution was not returned to the Fund within 60 days as required by Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.15, subdivision 3.

2. In correspondence received on February 28, 2008, Michelle Sommers, president of the Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1055, states "...this was an oversight on our part, we were most likely looking at the election year amounts instead of the non-election year amounts... We did not intend to violate the Minnesota Statute and will make sure to stay within the contribution limits in the future."

3. Board records show that this is the first year the Fund exceeded the contribution limit to a principal campaign committee. The Fund registered with the Board on October 29, 1974. The parties recognize that the subject contribution was excessive on its face.

4. The parties agree that the Fund made an excessive contribution to the aforementioned principal campaign committee in calendar year 2007, resulting in an inadvertent violation of Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.27, subdivision 1, clause a (4) and clause c.

5. The Board imposes a civil fine of \$200 to be paid to the Board for deposit in the general fund of the state. This civil fine represents two times the amount by which the contribution exceeded the applicable contribution limit.

6. The Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1055 Political Fund hereby agrees to forward to the Board \$200 by check or money order payable to the STATE OF MINNESOTA within thirty days after the date this Agreement is signed by the Board chair. It is agreed by the parties that the payment of the civil fine of \$200 and this Conciliation Agreement will be a bar to any civil proceeding under Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.28, subdivisions 3 and 4.

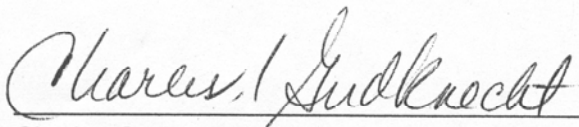
7. It is further understood and agreed, however, that if the civil fine of \$200 is not paid within the time specified in paragraph 6 above, then Charles Gudknect, treasurer, will be personally liable to pay a civil fine, under Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.34, subdivision 1, in an amount calculated as follows:

(a) \$300 which is three times the amount of the penalty for exceeding the statutory limit, if payment is received 31 to 60 days after the date this Agreement is signed by the Board Chair;

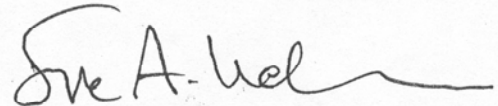
(b) \$400 which four times the amount of the penalty for exceeding the statutory limit, if payment is received 61 days after the date this agreement is signed by the Board chair;

8. It is further understood that if the civil fine is not paid as agreed, within the times specified in paragraphs 6 above, the Board will proceed to enforce the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.28, subdivision 4.

9. It is further understood and agreed that this Agreement is confidential until signed by Charles Gudknect 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 10A.28, subdivision 3.

 Dated: 4-24-2008  
Charles Gudknect, treasurer  
Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1055 Political Fund

Approved by the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

By  Dated: 4/25/08  
Sven Wehrwein, Chair  
Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board