

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

**PRIMA FACIE
DETERMINATION**

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT OF DAVID MEISINGER REGARDING PATRICK ARMON FOR CITY COUNCIL

On September 19, 2016, the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board received a complaint submitted by David Meisinger regarding the Patrick Armon for City Council campaign.

The complaint alleges that the Armon campaign has violated section 211B.04 of the Minnesota Statutes by failing to include the appropriate disclaimer on its lawn signs and in a Facebook post.

Determination:

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 10A.022, subdivision 3, the Board has jurisdiction over alleged violations of section 211B.04 of the Minnesota Statutes by or related to state-level candidates and campaigns. The violation alleged in the complaint concerns a candidate for the West St. Paul city council, a local office. As the alleged violation is not under the Board's jurisdiction, the complaint does not support a finding of a prima facie violation.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 10A.022, subdivision 3, paragraph (1), this prima facie determination is made by a single Board member and not by any vote of the entire Board. Based on the above analysis, the Chair concludes that the complaint does not state a prima facie violation of Chapter 10A or of those sections of Chapter 211B under the Board's jurisdiction. The complaint is dismissed without prejudice.

/s/ Daniel N. Rosen
Daniel N. Rosen, Chair
Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

Date: 9/20/16