

1 Ethical Practices Board

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3 Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to Ethics in Government

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5 Rules as Adopted

6 4500.1200 CHANGE OF OFFICE SOUGHT BY CANDIDATE.

7 Subpart 1. and 2. [Unchanged.]

8 Subp. 3. Public financing agreement. A candidate may sign
9 a public financing agreement for each office sought until
10 September 1 of the general election year. Signing a public
11 financing agreement by September 1 automatically rescinds a
12 previously filed agreement for another office.

13 4500.1500 JUDICIAL CANDIDATE.

14 Subpart 1. Aggregate contributions. Contributions to a
15 candidate for district court ~~or county court~~ which in aggregate
16 exceed \$100 shall be disclosed in accordance with requirements
17 set forth in Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.20, subdivision 3,
18 clause (b).

19 Subp. 2. Contributions from one source. Contributions to
20 a candidate for district court ~~or county court~~ from any one
21 source totaling more than \$400 received between the last day
22 covered in the last report prior to an election and the election
23 shall be reported to the board in person, by telegram or
24 mailgram, or by certified mail sent within 48 hours after
25 receipt and also in the next required report.

26 4500.2500 JOINT LIMITS FOR GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

27 Subpart 1. Public financing agreement. Following their
28 joint endorsement or filing for office, candidates for governor
29 and lieutenant governor must jointly sign the public financing
30 agreement if they wish to participate in public financing.

31 Subp. 2. [Unchanged.]

32 4505.0300 LATE FILING FEES.

33 The board shall send a delinquency notice by certified mail
34 to a public official or candidate within ten business days after

1 a filing date. A certified letter returned by the post office
2 to the board as refused is considered received by the addressee
3 on the date refused. The late filing fee begins accumulating on
4 the eighth day after refusal. A certified letter returned to
5 the board as undelivered or refused must be forwarded by first
6 class mail to the public official or candidate. An undelivered
7 notice of late filing is considered received by the recipient
8 five business days after the first class mailing. A late filing
9 fee must be charged through the business day preceding the day
10 of filing of a late statement. A late filing fee may not be
11 assessed for Saturday, Sunday, or legal holidays.

12 4510.1200 LATE FILING FEES.

13 The late filing fee shall commence the eighth day following
14 receipt of a late filing notice, unless the eighth day falls on
15 Saturday, Sunday, or a legal holiday. The late filing fee shall
16 then commence the next business day. A late filing fee shall
17 not be assessed for Saturday, Sunday, or legal holidays.

18 A certified letter returned to the board by the United
19 States Post Office marked "refused" shall be deemed to have been
20 received by the addressee on the date of refusal.

21 Except as provided in the preceding paragraph, a certified
22 letter returned to the board by the United States Post Office
23 undelivered for any reason shall be forwarded by first class
24 mail to the lobbyist, addressed to the lobbyist at the address
25 shown on his latest registration statement or disbursement
26 report. An undelivered notice of late filing is considered
27 received by the recipient five business days after the first
28 class mailing.

29 A late filing fee shall be charged through the business day
30 preceding the day of filing of a late statement or late periodic
31 report.

32 4515.0300 APPLICABILITY OF THE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST PROVISIONS.

33 Any public official who, in the discharge of official
34 duties, would be required to take action or make a decision
35 which would substantially affect the official's financial

1 interests, or those of an associated business, as that term is
2 defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.01, subdivision 4,
3 must file a potential conflict of interest notice, unless the
4 effect on the official is no greater than on other members of
5 the official's business classification, profession, or
6 occupation.

7 4525.0200 COMPLAINTS OF VIOLATIONS.

8 Subpart 1. to 5. [Unchanged.]

9 Subp. 6. Hearings. At any time during an investigation of
10 a complaint, the board may hold a contested case hearing before
11 making a finding on the complaint.

12 4525.0500 INVESTIGATIONS AND AUDITS.

13 Subpart 1. and 2. [Unchanged.]

14 Subp. 3. Contested case hearing. At any time during an
15 investigation or audit, the board may hold a contested case
16 hearing before making a finding on any investigation or audit.

17 Subp. 4. and 5. [Unchanged.]

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19 REPEALER. Minnesota Rules, parts 4500.0500; 4500.1800;
20 4500.4100; 4500.4200; and 4500.4300, subpart 3, are repealed.