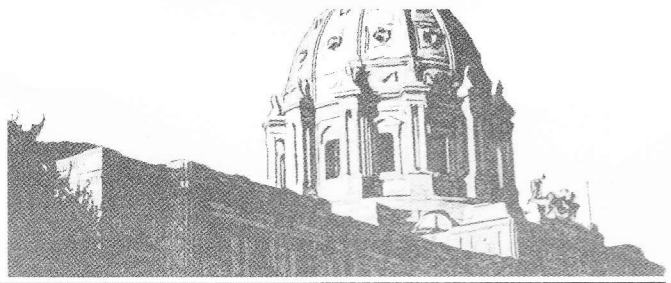


Minnesota

***Campaign Finance and  
Public Disclosure Board***



June 7, 2012

Mike Dean  
Common Cause Minnesota  
2323 East Franklin Ave  
Minneapolis, MN 55406

Re: Complaint Regarding the Republican Party of Minnesota (RPM)

Dear Mr. Dean,

The Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board considered the above matter during the executive session portion of its meeting on June 5, 2012.

The Board voted to separate its work on this complaint into two separate investigations. The first will include allegations related to the false certification of reports and violations, if any, that result from the relationship of the RPM and the corporation Count Them All Properly, Inc. It is anticipated that this portion of the investigation will also include findings regarding the legal obligation for the attorneys' fees related to the 2010 gubernatorial recount. It is staff's hope that this investigation will be ready for Board consideration at its July 3 meeting.

The second investigation, which may be ongoing for some time, will include allegations of inaccurate reporting, specifically including the omission of unpaid bills from previous reports and the accuracy of the 2011 year-end report. The Board does not intend to make findings in this portion of the investigation until it is satisfied that the RPM reports for 2009 through 2011 are accurate.

The Board laid both investigations over to the next meeting.

If you have any questions, please call me at 651-539-1190.

Sincerely,

Gary Goldsmith  
Executive Director