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### Synopsis Case #25-144

Action Taken on August 15, 2025

# Respondents: Senator Bob Hallstrom, Candidate, and Bob Hallstrom for Legislature

The Respondents are Senator Bob Hallstrom, and his campaign committee. A Complaint was filed against the Respondents, alleging that Campaign Statements filed by the Respondents in 2024 failed to report the street address of certain contributors who had contributed more than \$250.00.

After a review of the 2024 Campaign Statements at issue, the NADC initiated a Preliminary Investigation, alleging that the Respondents had failed to identify certain contributors' addresses where more than \$250.00 had been contributed.

After notifying the Respondents of the Complaint, Senator Hallstrom immediately provided amended Statements containing the missing addresses.

The parties then entered into a Settlement Agreement, by the terms of which the Respondents accepted a violation of §49-1455(d) of the Nebraska Statutes, and agreed to pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$150.00.

The Commission adopted the Settlement Agreement with six (6) Commissioners concurring, no Commissioners dissenting, and no Commissioners abstaining.

**Violation:** Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, the Commission found that the Respondent failed to provide certain addresses of contributors who had made contributions over \$250.00, in Campaign Statements in 2024. The Commission found a violation of §49-1455(d) and assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$150.00.

Civil Penalty: \$150.00

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#### BEFORE THE NEBRASKA ACCOUNTABILITY AND DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Senator Bob	)	Case #25-144
Hallstrom, Candidate, and	)	ORDER
Bob Hallstrom for Legislature	,	

Now on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2025, this matter comes before the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission. Commissioners Christiansen, Davis, Evnen, Gloor, Spray and Sullivan are present with Commissioner Davis presiding. The Respondent is not present. The Commission notes the submission of a proposed Settlement Agreement.

Whereupon, the Commission with six (6) Commissioners concurring, no Commissioners dissenting, and no Commissioners abstaining, finds that the attached Settlement Agreement should be and hereby is approved and incorporated into this Order. Pursuant to that Agreement, the Commission finds that the Respondents failed to provide addresses in Campaign Statement filed in 2024, in violation of §49-1455(d) of Nebraska Revised Statutes, as recited in the attached Settlement Agreement.

In accordance with the Settlement Agreement, the Commission imposes a civil penalty of \$150.00 upon the Respondents.

Issued this 15th day of August, 2025.

Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission

Scott Danigole 
Executive Director

#### Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of this Order was sent by certified U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested on this 45th day of August, 2025 to the following parties and at the following address: Senator Bob Hallstrom, Candidate, and Bob Hallstrom for Legislature, 591 South 32nd Road, Syracuse, NE 68446.

Scott Danigole

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#### BEFORE THE NEBRASKA ACCOUNTABILITY AND DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:

CASE No. 25-144

SENATOR BOB HALLSTROM, CANDIDATE, AND BOB HALLSTROM FOR LEGISLATURE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

- 1) Parties: The parties to this Settlement Agreement (hereinafter "Agreement") are the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission, hereafter referred to as the "Commission" and Senator Bob Hallstrom, Candidate, and Bob Hallstrom for Legislature, hereafter referred to as the "Respondents."
- Jurisdiction: The Respondents acknowledge that the Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to the terms of Nebraska Statutes 49-1401 et seq., known as the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act ("NPADA").
- 3) <u>Intention:</u> The parties hereby agree and intend that this Agreement shall constitute a waiver of any further proceedings in this matter, thereby resolving the matter without further delay and expense to the parties.
- 4) The Alleged Violation: In its Notice of Preliminary Investigation in this case, the Commission has alleged that the Respondents, during calendar year 2024 were required to file Campaign Statements, which reported the name and street address of each individual or organization who contributed to the campaign more than \$250.00 during each reported period covered by the Statement, but the Respondents failed to report the said street addresses as required, in violation of Section 49-1455(d) of the NPADA.
- 5) Stipulation: The Respondent and the Commission stipulate and agree that at the time of the alleged violation, the Respondents in filing their Campaign Statements, had an obligation to report the names and addresses of individuals or organizations who contributed more than \$250 during each reporting period, but did not do so.
- The Alleged Violation, Agreement: The Respondents state that it was not their intent to violate the NPADA as alleged, but they agree and stipulate that there is sufficient evidence to support the Commission's findings of a violation Section 49-1455(d) of the NPADA, as stated in the Notice of Preliminary Investigation in this matter, and as described in Paragraph 4, above. The Respondents further agree that they will not contest the Commission's Order in this case. The Respondents further represent that they have amended the 2024 Campaign Statements which they filed to include the names and addresses of individuals or organizations who contributed more than \$250 during each reporting period.

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- 7) Civil Penalty and Agreement: The parties have agreed that, in view of the Respondent's willingness to resolve this matter, accept the finding of the Commission in this case, and amend the Campaign Statements at issue, the Commission will impose a civil penalty in this matter not to exceed \$150.00.
- 8) The Commission must approve this Agreement in order for it to be effective: The parties agree that for this Agreement to become effective, the Commission must approve it, and enter an Order according to the terms of the Agreement.
- 9) Effective Date of Agreement: This Agreement shall not be binding upon the parties until the date it is approved by the Commission and the Commission issues an Order in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. The date of the Order shall If this Agreement is not approved by the be deemed its effective date. Commission, this Agreement shall be void and may not be used in this or any other proceeding. The parties acknowledge that this Agreement and any subsequent Order shall be announced at an open public meeting of the Commission. The parties further acknowledge that, upon adoption, this Agreement, the Order, and the Commission's file pertaining to this matter shall become open and public.
- 10) Right to Address the Commission: The Respondent has a right to address the Commission on the matter of the approval of this Settlement Agreement.

11) Advice of Counsel: The Respondent acknowledges that he has had an opportunity to seek the advice of an attorney concerning this Agreement.

Senator Bob Hallstrom, Candidate

Bob Hallstrom for Legislature

Scott Danigole, Executive Director

Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission

08/11/2025 Date 08/11/2025 Date