



MINNESOTA CAMPAIGN FINANCE BOARD



David Asp was appointed to the Board in February of 2022 by Governor Walz for a term that ended in January of 2026. Mr. Asp was reappointed by Governor Walz in February of 2026 for a term ending in January of 2030. He fills a Board position requiring a member who has not been a public official, held any political party office other than precinct delegate, or been elected to public office for which party designation is required by statute in the three years preceding the member's appointment to the Board. Mr. Asp supports the Republican party.

Mr. Asp is a partner at Lockridge Grindal Nauen PLLP where his practice focuses on litigation, particularly litigation involving health care and administrative law. Mr. Asp has been an active volunteer on the board of several community and non-profit organizations, and has volunteered with political campaigns, party units, and political committees. He graduated from Augsburg College and the University of Minnesota Law School.



STATE of MINNESOTA

Executive Department

Governor Tim Walz

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

David Asp

Because of the special trust and confidence I have in your integrity, judgment, and ability, I have appointed and commissioned you to have and to hold the office of:

Member #3

Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

Effective: February 4, 2026

Expires: January 7, 2030

This appointment carries with it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.

Signed and sealed January 30, 2026.

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Tim Walz, GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Simon".

Steve Simon, SECRETARY OF STATE



Reappointment

Filed January 30, 2026
Office of the Minnesota
Secretary of State
Steve Simon

Application for the position Member Application Date: 12/13/2025 11:32:07 AM

If you have questions related to your application, would like to amend your application or upload additional documents, contact the Board Staff Support listed on the [Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board](#) agency page. The name and email link for the Board Staff Support person are listed in the upper right-hand corner of the board's website under CONTACT and again in the Board Staff Support section of the page.

Part I: Position Sought

Agency Name: Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

Position: Member
Seat: Member #3

Part II: Applicant Information

Name: David Asp
Mailing Address: 15836 Dry Meadow Lane Apple Valley 55124
County: Dakota
Mn House District: 57A
US House District: 2

Phone: (952) 314-8314
Email: david.asp@gmail.com
Recommended by the Appointing Authority: No
Home City: Apple Valley
Home County: Dakota
Home Zip: 55124

Part III: Appending Documentation

Cover Letter and Resume

Type	File Type	
Cover Letter	application/pdf	
Resume	application/vnd.openxmlformats-officedocument.wordprocessingml.document	

Additional Documents (.doc, .docx, .pdf, .txt)

Type	File Name
No additional documents found.	

Part IV: Optional Statistical Information

Race and Natural Origin: White or Caucasian
Gender: Male
Hispanic, Latino or Spanish origin: No
Heard about vacancy from: No Answer

Political Party: Republican
Disability: No
Veteran: No
Age when applied: No Answer

Part V: Signature

Signature: David Asp

Date: 12/13/2025 11:32:07 AM

December 13, 2025

Ms. Greta Johnson
Office of Governor Tim Walz
and Lt. Governor Peggy Flanagan
130 State Capitol
St. Paul, MN 55155

Re: Application for Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

Dear Ms. Johnson:

I write to apply for re-appointment as a member of the Minnesota Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board.

I have appreciated the opportunity to serve on the Board since 2022. As you know, the Board plays an important role in the effective and fair operation of Minnesota's system of campaign-finance regulation. During my time on the Board, I have seen how the Board's staff does an admirable job of assisting candidates, committees, lobbyists, and the public as they navigate complex rules. I've also observed that the Board itself and the Board's staff are committed to enforcing the law and undertaking investigations when needed to ensure compliance.

I have enjoyed serving on the Board and particularly enjoyed serving as Board Chair in 2024 and Vice Chair in 2023 and 2025. During my time as Chair, the Board undertook the important task of rulemaking, in part to implement new statutory requirements. This involved holding hearings where we engaged with stakeholders and gained a better understanding of how the Board's work has an impact on organizations and individuals throughout Minnesota. If I am re-appointed to the Board, I would like to continue the process of public engagement and will remain mindful of how the Board's work affects individuals who, often as volunteers, seek to participate in politics or lobbying activity as engaged citizens.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Asp", written in a cursive style.

David Asp

David W. Asp

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Partner, Lockridge Grindal Nauen P.L.L.P.

100 Washington Avenue South, Suite 2200, Minneapolis, MN 55401

Associate (August 2005 – December 2013); Partner (January 2014-Present).

I have a diverse practice representing defendants and plaintiffs in complex litigation.

- My primary practice for the last twenty years has involved complex civil litigation in federal court, primarily in the District of Minnesota. In recent years, I represented thirteen Minnesota counties and three tribal governments in the national opiate litigation, pursued fraud claims on behalf of businesses and individuals in connection with the sale of insurance, defended a large pharmaceutical distributor against third-party indemnification claims, litigated various breach of fiduciary duty and equitable claims under ERISA, and represented Medicare beneficiaries in a challenge to an insurers' use of artificial intelligence in benefit determinations.
- I led litigation against the Minnesota Department of Human Services on behalf of thirty-three rural Minnesota counties, challenging the agency's failure to comply with statutory requirements. I currently represent hospitals and health system as well as the Minnesota Hospital Association.
- I led challenges to the Office of Cannabis Management's social-equity lottery (2024-2025); the Department of Public Safety's failure to comply with expungement orders (2023-2025); the Board of Cosmetology's licensing requirements for makeup artists (2020); and the Board of Chiropractic's limitations on commercial speech (2012).

Presidential Management Fellow, United States Department of State

2201 C Street, Washington DC (August 2004 - August 2005).

- Served on a team that negotiated information sharing agreements with foreign governments; researched and drafted findings on related issues.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AND FELLOWSHIPS

Minnesota Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board. Board Member (February 2022 to present); Board Chair (2024-2025). Appointed by Governor Walz and confirmed by the Minnesota Legislature as member to the board charged with enforcing state campaign finance law. The Board investigates complaints relating to violations of state campaign finance law, brings enforcement actions, enacts administrative rules, and issues advisory opinions.

Minnesota State Compensation Council. Council Member (2017-Present); Vice Chair (2025). Appointed by Chief Justice Lorie Skjerven Gildea and Chief Justice Natalie Hudson. The council holds hearings and creates recommendations regarding the salaries for Minnesota judges, constitutional officers, and agency officials.

American Conservatism and Governing Fellowship, Manhattan Institute (2024-2025). I was selected to participate in this program for mid-career public-service professionals to study the foundational principles of American conservatism.

Community Action Partnership of Hennepin County. Board of Directors Board Member (2009-2022); Board Chair (2021-2022); Appointed by Hennepin County Commissioner Jeff Johnson. I served on the board of organization with \$7+ million annual budget tasked with administering heating-assistance, job training, and housing programs, among others.

Twin West Chamber of Commerce PAC. Chair (2019-2020); Board Member (2015-2020).

Fourth Judicial District Ethics Committee. Volunteer Investigator/Committee Member (2013-2019) (approximate).

Humphrey Policy Fellowship, University of Minnesota (2011-2012). Participated in leadership development program for emerging and mid-career professionals.

Trinity School at River Ridge. Volunteer Junior High Baseball Coach (2024-2026).

SELECT PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

Navigating Uncertainty in Federal Policy, the Courts, and Health Care Operations, Health Care Leadership Institute, Minnesota Hospital Association (April 3, 2025).

Loper Bright and Health Care Regulations after *Chevron*. Minnesota State Bar Association Health Law Section (November 18, 2024).

Election Law Special, Short Circuit, Center for Judicial Engagement (October 24, 2024).

Where the Sidewalk Ends, Short Circuit Podcast, Center for Judicial Engagement (August 30, 2023) (Discussing Tenth Circuit opinion creating a circuit split on ERISA-preemption issue).

Major changes coming to HIPAA privacy rules in 2022, Minnesota State Bar Association (July 7, 2022).

Avenues After Denial – Federal Appeal v AAO. Upper Midwest Immigration Law Conference (May 14, 2021). Spoke to immigration-law attorneys on options for federal litigation to challenge employment-based visa denials.

Fighting a Denied Employed-Based Petition: Refile, Appeal, Sue, Upper Midwest Immigration Law Conference (March 9, 2018). Spoke to immigration-law attorneys on options for federal litigation to challenge employment-based visa denials.

EDUCATION

University of Minnesota Law School, Juris Doctor, *Cum Laude*, June 2004.

- Note and Comment Editor, Minnesota Journal of Global Trade (2003-2004)
- Work experience: U.S. Senate Commerce Committee, Law Clerk to Majority Staff (2003); Professor Andy Schoettle, Research Associate, (2003-2004); Clay County Attorney's Office, Law Clerk (2003).

Augsburg College, Bachelor of Arts, *with distinction*, May 2001.

- Majors: Political Science and English; Honors Program graduate.
- Activities: Student Body President (1999-2000); Editor-in-Chief, *Augsburg Echo* (1998).
- Internships: Center of the American Experiment (2000); Congressman Gil Gutknecht (1999); Rep. Kevin Goodno/Republican House Research (1998).

COURT ADMISSIONS

Minnesota (July 2005)

North Dakota (September 2019)

U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota (October 2005)

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin (January 2006)

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin (March 2006)

U.S. District Court for the District of North Dakota (February 2014)

U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia (October 2019)

U.S. District Court for the Central District of Illinois (July 2019)

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit (December 2005)

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit (January 2011)

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit (July 2006)

Supreme Court of the United States (January 2015)

REPRESENTATIVE CASES

Est. of Lokken v. UnitedHealth Grp., Inc., 766 F. Supp. 3d 835 (D. Minn. 2025). Represented putative class in claims alleging UnitedHealth Group systematically used artificial intelligence to limit post-acute treatment. Claims involved questions of first impression in the Eighth Circuit relating to Medicare preemption.

United HealthCare Servs., Inc. Plaintiff, v. Merck & Co., et al., Defendants/Third-Party Plaintiffs,, No. 20-1909(DSD/DTS), 2025 WL 3442799, at *1 (D. Minn. 2025). Represented third-party defendant Cardinal Health in successful motion to compel arbitration.

AbbVie, Inc. v. Ellison, 777 F. Supp. 3d 971 (D. Minn. 2025). Represented American Hospital Association, Minnesota Hospital Association, 340B Health and others as amici in case relating to state regulation of 340B drug program.

Aragnuiz v. Minnesota Office of Cannabis Management, Case No. 62-cv-24-7403 (Ramsey Cty, Minn. Dist. Ct. Nov. 25, 2024). Represented plaintiffs in action obtaining injunction preventing social-equity lottery for cannabis licenses.

Troxel et al. v. UMR, 23-CV-02521, Docket No. 47 (JWB/DJF) (D. Minn. Jan. 24, 2024). Represented putative class of ERISA plan participants in case challenging failure to provide full cost sharing for preventative care benefits.

South Country Health Alliance et al. v. Minnesota Dep't of Hum. Servs., 994 N.W.2d 904 (Minn. Ct. App. 2023). Represented joint-power entities established by 31 rural Minnesota counties in lawsuit against Minnesota Department of Human Services challenging agency procurement process for Medicaid contracts. Prevailed at Court of Appeals; argued at Minnesota Supreme Court. In August 2025, Supreme Court dismissed as improvidently granted and Court of Appeals opinion established the rights of counties with respect to Minnesota's Medicaid program.

Taqueria El Primo LLC v. Illinois Farmers Ins. Co., 691 F. Supp. 3d 940 (D. Minn. 2023), vacated in part, 2024 WL 4217216 (8th Cir. Sept. 17, 2024). Represented plaintiffs and certified class in connection with motions to exclude expert testimony and summary judgment.

Haugen v. Jaeger, 948 N.W.2d 1 (N.D. 2020). Represented individuals seeking to enjoin North Dakota Secretary of State from placing measure on statewide ballot. Successfully argued petition for writ enjoining Secretary.

Mayo Clinic v. Sec. Health Plan of Wisconsin, Inc., No. 20-CV-2175 (PJS/BRT), 2020 WL 12991582, at *1 (D. Minn. Dec. 18, 2020). Represented defendant in ERISA and breach of contract claims filed by Mayo Clinic; obtained dismissal on motion to dismiss.

In re National Prescription Opiate Litigation, 17-MD-2804 (N.D. Ohio). Represented thirteen Minnesota counties and three tribal governments in national opiate litigation. Following national settlements, negotiated state-subdivision agreement resulting in substantial additional payments to all Minnesota counties.

Illinois Farmers Ins. Co. v. Guthman, No. CV 17-270(RHK/SER), 2017 WL 3971867, at *1 (D. Minn. Sept. 7, 2017). Counsel for defendants; successfully gained dismissal of fraud allegations against chiropractor and related practice.

Walker v. Hartford Life and Accident Insurance Company, 831 F.3d 968 (8th Cir. 2016). Counsel for defendant; successfully moved for summary judgment and argued appeal involving interpretation of Minnesota's statutory proof of loss requirement for insurance claims, and equal protection challenge to Minnesota statute.

Illinois Farmers Ins. Co. v. Mobile Diagnostic Imaging, Inc., No. 13-CV-2820 PJS/TNL, 2014 WL 4104789 (D. Minn. Aug. 19, 2014). Represented defendant diagnostic imaging center in response to RICO and fraud claims filed by insurer; court granted motion to dismiss.

State Farm Mut. Auto. Ins. Co. v. Mobile Diagnostic Imagine, Inc., 7 F. Supp. 3d 934, 937 (D. Minn. 2014). Represented defendant imaging center in case involving question of first impression of whether diagnostic imaging was subject to Minnesota's corporate practice of medicine doctrine; court granted summary judgment for defendant.

Niska v. Clayton, No. A13-0622, 2014 WL 902680, at *1 (Minn. Ct. App. Mar. 10, 2014). Represented plaintiff, Harry Niska, in administrative trial against Bonn Clayton, obtaining a verdict establishing liability for violating state law; defended decision at the Court of Appeals and Supreme Court of the United States.

Rossmann v. Thomson Reuters (Legal), Inc., No. CIV. 12-1356 DWF/JSM, 2013 WL 10215738, at *2 (D. Minn. Nov. 15, 2013). Represented defendant; court entered summary judgment dismissing plaintiff's Age Discrimination in Employment Act claim.

1-800-411-Pain Referral Serv., LLC v. Tollefson, 915 F. Supp. 2d 1032 (D. Minn. 2012), *aff'd sub nom. 1-800-411-Pain Referral Serv., LLC v. Otto*, 744 F.3d 1045 (8th Cir. 2014). Represented plaintiffs in First Amendment challenge to Minnesota statute limiting truthful statements in commercial advertising.

Atrix Int'l, Inc. v. Hartford Life Grp. Ins. Co., No. CIV. 06-4140ADMJSM, 2008 WL 151614, at *6 (D. Minn. Jan. 15, 2008). Represented defendant in negligent misrepresentation and indemnification action; prevailed at summary judgment on ERISA preemption grounds.

Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

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2025 Annual statement of economic interest

Public Official Information

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Agency Information

Agency: Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

Position: Member

Period Covered

The period covered by this statement is all time served as a public official in 2025.

Certification

I certify that the information contained in this statement is complete, true, and correct.

David Asp - submitted electronically on 1/22/2026

David Asp

Sources of Compensation

Report the name of any associated business from which you or your spouse received compensation for labor or personal services in excess of \$250 in any month during the reporting period.

.....Check each applicable category.....

Name of Source	Director	Officer	Owner	Member	Partner	Employer	Employee
Lockridge Grindal Nauen PLLP	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Compensation from lobbyist, lobbyist principal, or interested person, for services as an independent contractor or consultant

None reported

Business ownership

None reported

Independent contracting

Securities

None reported

Real Property

None reported Waiver granted for disclosure of secondary residence

Governement agency interests

None reported

Honoraria

None reported

Pari-Mutuel Horse Racing Interests

None reported