In the matter of
Senator Rick Brinkley,
Respondent.

Case No. 2015-09

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This matter was initiated on June 12, 2015, pursuant to Rule 6 of the Oklahoma Ethics
Rules based on information ascertained by the Oklahoma Ethics Commission (the
“Commission”) in the normal course of carrying out its responsibilities. The Commission found
reasonable cause to believe that Sen. Rick Brinkley (“Respondent”) violated Ethics Rule 257:10-1-20
by converting campaign funds to personal use.

THEREFORE, the Commission and the Respondent agree as follows:

1. The Commission has jurisdiction over the Respondent and the subject matter of this
   proceeding.
2. Respondent enters voluntarily into this agreement with the Commission.
3. Respondent is currently the State Senator for District 34. Respondent held this position at
   all times relevant to this proceeding and Settlement Agreement.
4. Ethics Rule 257:10-1-20(a)(1) states, “Contributions accepted by a candidate committee
   may not be converted by any person to any personal use…”
5. To settle allegations of violations of Ethics Rule 257:10-1-20, Respondent agrees to
   forfeit the balance of his campaign account as a civil penalty in the amount of $81,265.14
   to the State of Oklahoma general revenue fund. A certified check will be delivered to the
   care of the Ethics Commission for the full amount within 5 business days of the
   execution of this agreement.
6. Respondent agrees to close his campaign committee and file a final report with the Ethics
   Commission reflecting a zero balance within 10 calendar days of the execution of this
   agreement.
7. This agreement shall become effective upon approval by the Commission and execution
   by all parties.
8. This agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties on the matters raised within, and no other statement, promise, or agreement, either written or oral, made by either party or by agents of either party, that is not contained within this written agreement shall be enforceable.

9. This settlement agreement is limited to the facts of this case. This settlement agreement shall not have binding precedential effect for any other matter currently pending before the Commission or that may come before the Commission at a future date.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

[Signature]
Lee Slater
Executive Director

Date 8/14/15

FOR THE RESPONDENT:

[Signature]
Sen. Rick Brinkley

Date 8/14/15