

2011 Lobbyist Registration Audit of Crystal Barker

FINDINGS

Ms. Crystal Barker failed to complete her required lobbyist training. (See Training & Fees section).

EMPLOYER

- Professional Educators of Tennessee

REGISTRATIONS

Ms. Barker registered as a lobbyist for one employer during 2011. Based on the audit documentation, Ms. Barker timely registered her lobbying relationship with her employer.

LOBBYING AGREEMENTS

Based on a review of the audit documentation provided by Ms. Barker, she was a direct employee of the employer. The employer had no employment contract with the lobbyist employee. However, per statements of the employer of the lobbyist and review of her job description, it appears the terms of employment were within the statutes for lobbying activities including having no terms for contingency payments based on lobbying success.

FAMILY OR BUSINESS ARRANGEMENTS WITH PUBLIC OFFICIALS

Ms. Barker reported she had no business or familial relationships with persons who were officials in the legislative branch or officials in the executive branch.

TRAINING & FEES

Based on review of the Bureau of Ethics and Campaign Finance's lobbyist records, Ms. Barker did not complete her required lobbyist training for the 2011 registration year. T.C.A. § 3-6-114(b) requires each registered lobbyist to complete an annual training course. The lobbyist completes the training online and prints a certificate of completion when done. The lobbyist provides a copy of the certificate to the Bureau of Ethics and Campaign Finance to verify compliance. Ms. Barker did not have the certificate on file for 2011, and she nor her employer were able to provide documentation indicating the training was completed.

Based on review of the Bureau of Ethics and Campaign Finance's lobbyist records, Ms. Barker paid all registration fees.