2012 Lobbyist Registration Audit of Matthew Scanlan

FINDINGS

- 1. Mr. Matthew Scanlan failed to complete his required lobbyist training. (See Training & Fees section).
- 2. Mr. Matthew Scanlan failed to timely register as a lobbyist for one of his employers (See Registrations section).

EMPLOYER

- American Cleaning Institute
- International Aestheic and Laser Association
- Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce
- Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation
- Reckitt Benckiser Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

- Tennessee Hospitality Association
- Tennessee Jobs Coalition
- Tennessee Orthopaedic Society
- Tennessee Short Line RR Alliance
- Tennessee Grocers & Convenience Store Association
- Vanderbilt University

REGISTRATIONS

Mr. Scanlan registered as a lobbyist for eleven employers during 2012. Based on the audit documentation, Mr. Scanlan timely registered his lobbying relationship with ten of his employers.

Mr. Scanlan was an employee/associate for a law firm contracted with the American Cleaning Institute for lobbying services for 2012. There was no lobbying relationship in the prior year. The lobby relationship was established with an engagement letter signed by both parties with the last signature dated March 6, 2012. Therefore, Mr. Scanlan was required to register by March 13, 2012 to be within seven days required by statute. The lobbyist did not register until March 15, 2012, 2 days late.

LOBBYING AGREEMENTS

Based on a review of the audit documentation provided by Mr. Scanlan, he was a contracted lobbyist during 2012. The lobbying relationships with each employer were established through a law firm where he was an employee/associate and through a strategic partnership. The firm, Strategic Partnership or the lobbyist directly had written agreements with each employer. Based on these agreements and the lobbyists employment status with the law firm it appears the terms of each lobbying relationship are within the statutes for lobbying activities including having no terms for contingency payments based on lobbying success.

FAMILY OR BUSINESS ARRANGEMENTS WITH PUBLIC OFFICIALS

Mr. Scanlan reported he 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, Mr. Scanlan did not complete his required lobbyist training for the 2012 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. Mr. Scanlan did not have the certificate on file for 2012, and he was unable to provide documentation indicating the training was completed.

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