2017 Lobbyist Registration Audit of Stacy Bassett

FINDING(S)

Stacy Bassett failed to complete her required lobbyist training (See Training section).

EMPLOYER(S)

• The College Board

REGISTRATION(S)

Ms. Bassett registered as a lobbyist for one employer during 2017. Based on the audit documentation, Ms. Basset timely registered her lobbying relationship and paid all registration fees.

LOBBYING AGREEMENT(S)

Based on a review of the audit documentation provided by Ms. Bassett, she was a direct employee of the employer. The employer had no employment contract with the lobbyist employee. However, per statements of the lobbyist, her employer and review of her job offer letter, 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. Bassett reported she had no business or familial relationships with persons who were officials in the legislative branch or officials in the executive branch.

TRAINING

According to the Bureau of Ethics and Campaign Finance's lobbyist records, Ms. Bassett did not complete her required lobbyist training for the 2017 registration year. T.C.A. § 3-6-114(b) requires each registered lobbyist to complete an annual training course. When a lobbyist completes the training online, the system records the training on the web-based system. If the lobbyist attends the legislative ethics training, their name is recorded at the training event and then administratively entered into the system records. Based on the review of the system records, Ms. Bassett did not complete the training online or by attendance during 2017. The Bureau of Ethics and Campaign Finance's lobbyist records indicate Ms. Bassett paid all training fees.