2013 Lobbyist Registration Audit of James Weaver

FINDINGS

Mr. James Weaver failed to timely register as a lobbyist for one of his employers (See Registrations section).

EMPLOYER

- American Resort Development Association
- BFI Waste Systems of Tennessee, LLC
- CKE Restaurants, Inc.
- Cardtronics USA, Inc.
- Chattanooga Metropolitan Airport Authority
- H.G. Hill Realty Company, LLC
- LifePoint Hospitals
- Millennium Laboratories
- Opry Mills Mall Limited Partnership, A Delaware Limited Partnership

- Opus Inspection, Inc.
- Prichard's Distillery
- Rogers Group Inc.
- SAS Institute Inc.
- Scholastic, Inc.
- Solidus Company
- T Mobile USA, Inc.
- TN Road Builders Assn.
- Tennessee Football, Inc.
- U.S. Chamber of Commerce
- Vulcan Construction Materials, L.P.

REGISTRATIONS

Mr. James Weaver registered as a lobbyist for twenty employers during 2013. Based on the audit documentation, Mr. James Weaver, timely registered his lobbying relationship with nineteen of his employers.

Mr. Weaver was a member of a firm that contracted with the Scholastic, Inc. for lobbying services for 2013. Based on the firm contract and other supporting documentation a lobbying relationship started between James Weaver and Scholastic Inc. on September 23, 2013, therefore the lobbyist was required to register by September 30, 2013 to meet the seven day registration requirement. Mr. Weaver registered on October 4, 2013, 4 days late.

LOBBYING AGREEMENTS

Based on a review of the audit documentation provided by Mr. Weaver, he was a contracted lobbyist during 2012. The lobbying relationships with each employer were established through a firm where he was a partner. The firm 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. Weaver 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. Weaver completed his required lobbyist training for the 2013 registration year and paid all registration fees.