

## **2014 Lobbyist Registration Audit of Stefan Maupin**

### **FINDING**

Mr. Stefan Maupin failed to complete his required lobbyist training (see Training & Fees section).

### **EMPLOYER**

- TN Farm Bureau Federation

### **REGISTRATIONS**

Mr. Maupin registered as a lobbyist for one employer during 2014. Based on the audit documentation, Mr. Maupin timely registered his lobbying relationship with his employer and paid all registration fees.

### **LOBBYING AGREEMENTS**

Based on a review of the audit documentation provided by Mr. Maupin, he was a direct employee of the employer. The employer had no employment contract with the lobbyist employee. However, per statements of the lobbyist and review of his 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**

Mr. Maupin reported he 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, Mr. Maupin did not complete his required lobbyist training for the 2014 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 the computer is marked to show training occurred. Based on the review of the system records Mr. Maupin did not complete the training online or by attendance during 2014. The Bureau of Ethics and Campaign Finance's lobbyist records indicate Mr. Maupin paid all training fees.