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LOBBYIST FILING AGREEMENT

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This Agreement, made this 27th day of MARCH, 2009, by and between Maryland Library Association and William J. Colquhoun, Staff Counsel to the Maryland State Ethics Commission (hereinafter "Staff Counsel").

RECITALS

The State Ethics Commission ("the Commission") is the executive agency of the State of Maryland established by Chapter 513, Acts of 1979 for the purpose of enforcing the Maryland Public Ethics Law (State Government Article, Title 15, Annotated Code of Maryland, hereinafter the Ethics Law) including the provisions of Subtitle 7, the lobbying disclosure program.

Maryland Library Association ("the filer") is a non-profit association who had lobbying activities during the period of February 1, 2009 through October 31, 2009 requiring it to register as a lobbyist with the State Ethics Commission.

The filer did not timely register as required by the Md. Code. Ann., State Gov't. Art., §15-703(d)(1)(Supp.2008).

On February 4, 2009, the filer hosted a "Legislative Day" which culminated in a reception in the President's Conference Center located in the Miller Senate Building for association members and members of the legislative and executive branches.

The filer did not file Form 13F ("Fourteen Day Report") for the special event within 14 days of the event, as required by the Md. Code. Ann., State Gov't. Art., §15-708(d)(1)(Supp.2008).

The filer subsequently registered and filed a Fourteen Day Report on March 2, 2009.

The filer is voluntarily entering into this agreement to admit its failure to timely file a lobbyist registration and Fourteen Day Report with the Commission and to pay a sum of money in lieu of potential late filing fees and other fines pursuant to Section 15-405 of the Ethics Law.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the submission of the required lobbyist registration form and Fourteen Day Report by the filer on March 2, 2009, and the admissions and agreements herein contained, the filer and Staff Counsel stipulate and agree as follows:

1. The filer did not timely file its lobbyist registration form as required by §15-703(d)(1) of the Ethics Law.
2. The filer admits that it did not timely file its Fourteen Day Report in regard to the "Legislative Day" reception held by the filer as required by the Md. Code. Ann., State Gov't. Art., §15-708(d)(1)(Supp.2008).
3. The filer reported its delinquency to the Commission on March 2, 2009. It filed its registration form and Fourteen Day Report (a copy of which has been attached hereto and made a

part thereof) the same day.

4. The filer understands that failure to comply with the lobbying disclosure provisions of the Ethics Law may subject it to a formal complaint by the Commission and, upon finding of a violation, late fees and the possibility of civil fines.

5. Based on the facts stated in this agreement the filer agrees to pay as settlement of the late filing matter, the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) at the time of the execution of this agreement in lieu of a potential late fees and in lieu of civil fines for the above admitted late registration statement (paragraph 1).

6. The Staff Counsel will, upon execution of this Agreement by the filer, recommend that the Commission not institute any proceedings on its failure to timely register. The filer understands that the Commission is under no obligation to accept this agreement and may decide to take other action, including issuing a complaint.

7. The filer waives a formal hearing on this matter (if the agreement is accepted by the Commission) to which it would be entitled if a complaint were issued, and understands that this Agreement and materials relating to this matter are not subject to the confidentiality provisions of the Ethics law, and will be public information unless otherwise protected.

8. The filer and the Staff Counsel have entered into this Agreement for the sole purpose of resolving the late submission of a lobbyist registration and later reports and for the payment of late fees and for no other purpose.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Margaret Carty, representing Maryland Library Association, and Staff Counsel, State Ethics Commission, have hereunto set their hands.

SIGNATURE APPEARS ON
ORIGINAL AGREEMENT

William J. Colquhoun, Staff Counsel
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Margaret Carty
Maryland Library Association

State of Maryland
County of: Anne Arundel, to wit:

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Margaret Carty, and acknowledged that she was an individual authorized to execute this document on behalf of Maryland Library Association, and that she executed this document for the purpose set forth herein on behalf of Maryland Library Association.

SIGNATURE APPEARS ON ORIGINAL AGREEMENT

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: September 6, 2009

APRIL G NERO
NOTARY PUBLIC
HOWARD COUNTY
MARYLAND

My Commission Expires Sept. 6, 2009

State of Maryland,
County of: ANNE ARUNDEL, to wit:

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared William J. Colquhoun, Staff Counsel to the State Ethics Commission, who made oath on this 30-day of MARCH, 2009 in due form of law that he executed this agreement for the purposes set forth herein.

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Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

DONALD M. STREET
Notary Public-Maryland
Anne Arundel County
My Commission Expires
November 09, 2010

Accepted by the Commission

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Robert F. Scholz, Chairman
for the Commission

Date: 9/16, 2009