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STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

LOBBYIST FILING AGREEMENT

This Agreement, made this 17th day of July, 2012, by and between the Taxpayers Protection Alliance, 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 Public Ethics Law) including the provisions of Subtitle 7, the lobbying disclosure program.

The Taxpayers Protection Alliance ("the filer") is a company whose lobbying activities during the period of November 1, 2011 to October 31, 2012 required 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. 2011).

The filer subsequently registered on June 27, 2012 for the period of May 1, 2012 to October 31, 2012.

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

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the submission of the required lobbyist registration form by the filer on June 27, 2012 and the admissions and agreements herein contained, the filer and the Staff Counsel stipulate and agree as follows:

1. The filer did not timely file its lobbyist registration form for the period of May 1, 2012 to October 31, 2012, as required by § 15-703(d)(1) of the Public Ethics Law.

2. The filer reported its delinquency to the Commission and filed its registration form (a copy of which has been attached hereto and made a part thereof) on June 27, 2012.

3. The filer understands that failure to comply with the lobbying disclosure provisions of the Public 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.

4. Based on the facts stated in this Agreement the filer agrees to pay as settlement of the late filing matter, the amount of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) 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).

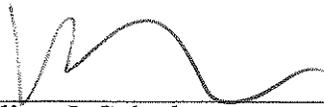
5. The Staff Counsel will, upon execution of this Agreement by the filer, recommend that the Commission not institute any proceedings on its failure to timely register. The filer understands that the Commission is under no obligation to accept this Agreement and may decide to take other action,

including issuing a complaint.

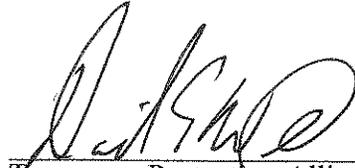
6. The filer waives a formal hearing on this matter (if the Agreement is accepted by the Commission) to which it would be entitled if a complaint were issued, and understands that this Agreement and materials relating to this matter are not subject to the confidentiality provisions of the Public Ethics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

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Taxpayers Protection Alliance and William J. Colquhoun, Staff Counsel, State Ethics Commission, have hereunto set their hands.



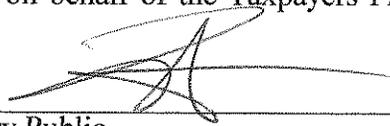
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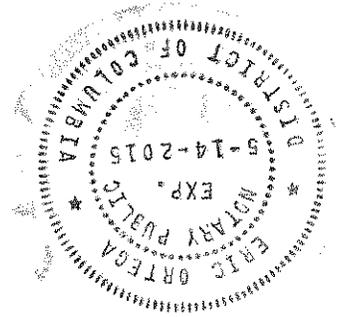
State of ^{DC} Maryland
County of: Washington, to wit:

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared David Williams and acknowledged that he/she was an individual authorized to execute this document on behalf of the Taxpayers Protection Alliance, and that he/she executed this document for the purpose set forth herein on behalf of the Taxpayers Protection Alliance.



Notary Public

My Commission Expires: May 14, 2015



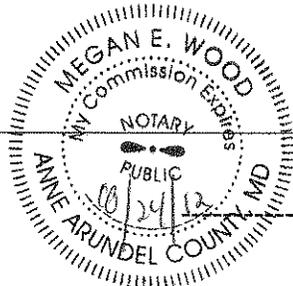
State of Maryland,
County of: Anne Arundel, to wit:

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 20 day of July, 2012 in due form of law that he executed this Agreement for the purposes set forth herein.



Notary Public

My Commission Expires:



Accepted by the Commission



Paul Vettori Chairman
for the Commission

Date: September 13, 2012