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**LOBBYIST FILING AGREEMENT**

This Agreement, made this 7 day of APRIL, 2014, by and between Molly Ann McCloskey, lobbyist for Share Our Strength, 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.

Molly Ann McCloskey ("the filer") is an individual whose lobbying activities on behalf of Share Our Strength ("the employer"), for the period November 1, 2013 through October 31, 2014 required her to register as a lobbyist with the State Ethics Commission.

The filer did not timely register on behalf of the employer as required by the Md. Code. Ann., State Gov't. Art., §15-703(d)(1)(Supp. 2013).

The filer subsequently registered on March 7, 2014.

The filer is voluntarily entering into this Agreement to admit her 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 March 7, 2014, and the admissions and agreements herein contained, the filer and Staff Counsel stipulate and agree as follows:

1. The filer did not timely file her lobbyist registration form on behalf of the employer for the period November 1, 2013 through October 31, 2014, as required by §15-703(d)(1) of the Ethics Law.

2. The filer submitted her registration form (a copy of which has been attached hereto and made a part thereof) on March 7, 2014.

3. The filer understands that failure to comply with the lobbying disclosure provisions of the Ethics Law may subject her 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 and no/100 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 her 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 she would be entitled if a complaint were issued, and she 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.

7. The filer understands a copy of this Agreement will be mailed to her employer.

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 for the payment of late fees and other fines and for no other purpose.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, Molly Ann McCloskey and William J. Colquhoun, Staff Counsel to the State Ethics Commission, have hereunto set their hands.



William J. Colquhoun, Staff Counsel  
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Molly Ann McCloskey  
Lobbyist for Share Our Strength

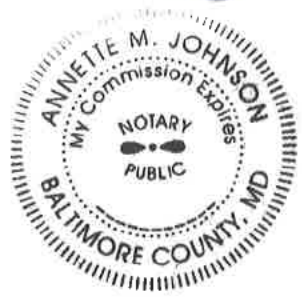
State of Maryland  
County of: Baltimore, to wit:

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Molly Ann McCloskey, who made oath on this 7th day of April, 2014 in due form of law that the matters and facts hereinabove set forth are true to the best of her knowledge, information and belief, and are her voluntary act and that she executed this document for the purpose set forth herein.

[Redacted Signature]

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 12/22/14



State of Maryland  
County of: Baltimore, 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 7th day of April, 2014 in due form of law that he executed this agreement for the purposes set forth herein.

[Redacted Signature]

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 12/22/14



Accepted by the Commission

[Redacted Signature]

Paul Vettori, Chair  
for the Commission

Date: 4/24/14, 2014

**PART A. GENERAL INFORMATION**

What Type of registration are you seeking?

Legislative Action Lobbyist

Grass Roots Lobbyist

Executive Action Lobbyist

Non-exempt employer

Primary purpose of Organization

Is the employer or the registered organization (if there is no employer) organized and operated for the primary purpose of attempting to influence any legislation or executive action?

Yes  No

Check Number: 67193

**PART B. IDENTIFICATION OF REGISTRANT/REGULATED LOBBYIST**

**1. Identifying Information**

a) Name of Registrant/Regulated Lobbyist: Molly Ann McCloskey

b) Firm Name: Share Our Strength

Address:  
2305 N Charles St.  
Baltimore, MD 21218

c) Business telephone: 443-423-0915

Cell phone: 240-620-4330

Do you want your telephone number on the published lobbyist list?

Yes  No

d) What is your occupation or type of business? Non-profit association employee

If other: N/A

**2. Identification of others required to register**

a) Will any other person be required to register as a lobbyist on behalf of you or the organization identified in section 1?

Yes  No

b) If the answer to a) is "yes", identify each such person below and give their name and address?

**3. Identification of employer**

a) Name of persons or organizations who compensate you for activities that require registration.  
Share our Strength

Permanent Address:  
1030 15th Street N.W  
Suite 1100 W  
Washington, DC 20005

Business Telephone: 800-969-4767

Nature of business: A national campaign to help end childhood hunger in America

Website of employer:

b) Will you be representing any other person or entity regarding the matters identified in this registration?

Yes  No

**4. Registration Information**

a) For what period will this registration be effective?

November 01, 2013 to October 31, 2014

b) On what matters will you be acting or employing someone to act during the registration period?

- EDUCATION
- FOOD STORES
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANDATES
- MINORITIES
- MINORS
- NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS
- PARTNERSHIPS
- PRIVATE SCHOOLS
- PUBLIC SCHOOLS
- TEACHERS
- UNIONS
- Other - Hunger

c) If known include the bill number(s) of the matter(s) on which you lobby  
SB 128

**PART C. REGISTRANT'S REGULATED LOBBYIST'S SIGNATURE**

**1. Training ( See the Commission's website for online training )**

By checking one of the two choices below, I hereby certify that I am in compliance with the mandatory training requirements of §15-205 of the Public Ethics Law:

- I have completed training at least once during the most recent 2 year period in which I have been a registered lobbyist. Date of most recent training: \_\_\_\_\_
- I have not yet been a registered lobbyist for 2 years but will complete training prior to that time.

**2. Verification**

I have reviewed this Registration and certify to the best of my knowledge that the information is true and complete.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Lobbyist's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**PART D. AUTHORIZATION TO ACT**

**1 Authorization**

I hereby certify that the information contained herein is correct and that Molly Ann McCloskey (name of lobbyist) is authorized to act on behalf of Share our Strength (name of employer) for the period from November 01, 2013 to October 31, 2014 unless this authority is terminated sooner.

**2 Exemption Status of Employer**

- a)  The employer claims the exemption from filing its own registration and activity reports because all expenditures requiring registration and reporting will be reported by this registrant/regulated lobbyist.
- b)  The employer does not claim an exemption from filing its own registration and activity report because the registrants/regulated lobbyist will report only expenditures and compensation regard the filer's activity. If this option is selected, the employer must submit a separate registration for lobbying and the required reports.
- c)  The employer does not claim an exemption from filing its own registration and reports based on the activities of the filer will report only expenditures and compensation regarding the filer's activities. However, the employer does claim an exemption from filing its own registration and reporting because another regulated lobbyist will report any other expenditures of the employer, and the employer will engage in no other activity that would require it to register or report.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Employer's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Employer's Printed or Typed Name