

## LOBBYIST FILING AGREEMENT

This Agreement, made this 19 day of June, 2014, by and between Timothy Perry, lobbyist for American Communities Trust, 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.

Timothy Perry ("the filer") is an individual whose lobbying activities on behalf of American Communities Trust ("the employer"), for the period January 16, 2014 through October 31, 2014 required him 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 June 2, 2014.

The filer is voluntarily entering into this Agreement to admit his 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 2, 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 his lobbyist registration form on behalf of the employer for the period January 16, 2014 through October 31, 2014, as required by §15-703(d)(1) of the Ethics Law.
2. The filer submitted his registration form (a copy of which has been attached hereto and made a part thereof) on June 2, 2014.
3. The filer understands that failure to comply with the lobbying disclosure provisions of the Ethics Law may subject him 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) 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 his 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 he would be entitled if a complaint were issued, and he 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 his 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**, Timothy Perry and William J. Colquhoun, Staff Counsel to the State Ethics Commission, have hereunto set their hands.

  
William J. Colquhoun, Staff Counsel  
State Ethics Commission  
45 Calvert Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Annapolis, MD 21401  
(410) 260-7770

  
Timothy Perry  
Lobbyist for American Communities  
Trust

State of Maryland

County of: Baltimore City, to wit:

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Timothy Perry, who made oath on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of June 2014, 2014 in due form of law that the matters and facts hereinabove set forth are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, and are his voluntary act and that she executed this document for the purpose set forth herein.



Notary Public JD

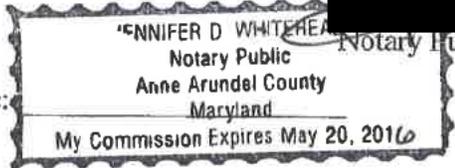
My Commission Expires: 12/13/17



State of Maryland,

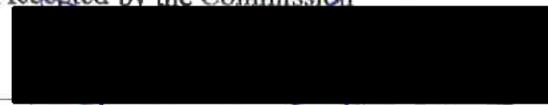
County of: Anne Arundel, to wit:

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 19<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2014 in due form of law that he executed this agreement for the purposes set forth herein.



My Commission Expires:

Accepted by the Commission



Robert G. Blue, Acting Chair  
for the Commission

Date: June 26, 2014

**PART A. GENERAL INFORMATION**

What Type of registration are you seeking?

Legislative Action Lobbyist 
Executive Action Lobbyist

Grass Roots 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: 1189

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

**1. Identifying Information**

a) Name of Registrant/Regulated Lobbyist: Timothy A Perry

b) Firm Name: Perry, White, Ross & Jacobson

Address:
125 Cathedral Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

c) Business telephone: 443-739-9346

Cell phone:

Do you want your telephone number on the published lobbyist list?
Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_

d) What is your occupation or type of business? Lobbyist

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.
American Communities Trust

Permanent Address:
1228 N. Calvert Street
Baltimore, MD 21202

Business Telephone: 215-834-0181

Nature of business: Non-Profit Organization

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?
January 16, 2014 to October 31, 2014

b) On what matters will you be acting or employing someone to act during the registration period?
Other - All Executive and Legislative Branch actions affecting American Communities Trust or The Baltimore Food Hub.

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

**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: January 08, 2013  
 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 Timothy A Perry (name of lobbyist) is authorized to act on behalf of American Communities Trust (name of employer) for the period from January 16, 2014 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/regulator lobbyist.
- b)  The employer does not claim an exemption from filing its own registration and activity report because the registrants/regulator 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