

Federal & State Lobbying

Wiley regularly advises clients on compliance with federal, state, and local lobbying laws. These capabilities have been highlighted in *Chambers USA*, which recognized that our Election Law & Government Ethics Practice “[o]ffers expertise across a range of areas, including state and federal lobbying regulations.”

Federal Lobbying Compliance Counseling. We routinely advise corporations, trade associations, nonprofit organizations, and lobbying firms regarding compliance with the Lobbying Disclosure Act (LDA) and the Honest Leadership and Open Government Act of 2007 (HLOGA). We regularly lead compliance training sessions for our clients and also perform compliance audits to ensure our clients are satisfying the requirements of the LDA and HLOGA. Our attorneys and reporting specialists assist clients with preparing and filing federal lobbying registrations, as well as quarterly and semi-annual reports. In addition to assisting clients in complying with the registration, reporting, and recordkeeping obligations of the LDA and HLOGA, we represent clients during U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) audits and enforcement proceedings brought by the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ). Our attorneys and reporting specialists have particular experience regarding the LD-1, LD-2, and LD-203 lobbying reporting forms required by the LDA and HLOGA.

State & Local Lobbying Compliance Counseling. Lobbying regimes at the state and local levels present a wide variety of challenges, and our attorneys offer unparalleled knowledge and insight into the state lobbying laws and their interpretations by state regulators. We regularly advise corporations, trade associations, nonprofit organizations, and lobbying firms on whether particular activities are regulated as “legislative lobbying,” “Executive branch lobbying,” “procurement lobbying,” or “grassroots lobbying,” as well as whether and when lobbying registration or reporting is required. As a full-service practice, our attorneys and reporting specialists regularly assist clients with preparing and filing state and local lobbying registrations and reports in jurisdictions across the country. We identify the information each state requires in order to properly register and report, as well as the recordkeeping requirements for each state. In addition, our annual *State Lobbying & Gift Law Guide* provides a comprehensive overview of the lobbying and gift laws in all 50 states plus the District of Columbia. Wiley also represents clients before state and local agencies and boards that enforce lobbying laws.

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