

2017 Lobbyist Registration Audit of Mary Begley

FINDING(S)

Mary Begley failed to timely register for her employer (See Registrations section).

EMPLOYER(S)

- **AEP/KINGSPORT POWER**

REGISTRATION(S)

Ms. Begley registered as a lobbyist for one employer during 2017. Based on the audit documentation, Ms. Begley was a direct employee of AEP/KINGSPORT POWER with duties that included lobbying during 2017. She was also registered as a lobbyist in 2016. Thus, the lobbyist had a continuing lobbying relationship with her employer. Therefore, the lobbyist should have registered within seven days of the commencement of the year which is January 8, 2017. Ms. Begley did not register until January 11, 2017, 3 days late. Based on review of the Bureau of Ethics and Campaign Finance's lobbyist records, Ms. Begley paid all registration fees.

LOBBYING AGREEMENT(S)

Based on a review of the audit documentation provided by Ms. Begley, she was a direct employee of the employer. The employer had an employment contract with the lobbyist employee. The terms of the contract appear to be within the statutes for lobbying activities including having no terms for contingency payments based on lobbying success.

FAMILY OR BUSINESS ARRANGEMENTS WITH PUBLIC OFFICIALS

Ms. Begley reported she had no business or familial relationships with persons who were officials in the legislative branch or officials in the executive branch.

TRAINING

Based on review of the Bureau of Ethics and Campaign Finance's lobbyist records, Ms. Begley completed her required lobbyist training for the 2017 registration year and paid all training fees.