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Lobbyist pays \$2,300 to the Office of State Ethics for Late Registration and Late Disclosures

Hartford –Lobbyist Sandy Breslin of Bethany, Connecticut agreed to pay a \$2,300 penalty to the Office of State Ethics for failing to register as a lobbyist prior to engaging in lobbying in 2013. Breslin also failed to timely file her most-recent year-end report which discloses income she received for lobbying in 2013.

Pursuant to General Statutes § 1-94 and § 1-95, Breslin was required to register on or before January 15, 2013 and she did not register to lobby until March 26, 2013. Pursuant to § 1-96 Breslin was also required to file a financial report between the first and tenth of January 2014, reporting the amounts of compensation and reimbursement received from the client during the previous year. Breslin did not file this disclosure until February 24, 2014.

Breslin admits that she has not timely filed a financial report with the Office of State Ethics for over five years and has not timely registered within either of the last two registration periods.

"The Enforcement Division of the Office of State Ethics usually addresses these types of matters under the Uniform Administrative and Procedures Act, where individuals are fined \$10 for each day the form is late, which is usually sufficient action to compel future compliance," Executive Director, Carol Carson stated. "In this case, the Commission fined Ms. Breslin under the provisions of the Code of Ethics an equivalent of \$20 per day for continuing to fail to timely file."

Breslin is an in-house communicator lobbyist for the National Audubon Society located in Southbury, Connecticut.

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