



## COMPARISON OF LOBBYING LAWS – REGISTRATION THRESHOLD

| Type of Lobbyist             | San Diego <sup>1</sup><br>(current) | San Diego <sup>2</sup><br>(proposed)                    | Los Angeles <sup>3</sup>                         | San Francisco <sup>4</sup>   | County of San Diego <sup>5</sup>  | State of CA <sup>6</sup>                                     |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|--|---|--|
| <b>Contract lobbyist</b>     | \$2,625 in a calendar quarter       | \$1   | \$1,000 within 3 consecutive months              | \$3,200 in a calendar quarter or 25 contacts within 2 consecutive months | \$0 (Any attempt to influence a County decision by anyone who makes personal or telephone contact with County official) | \$2,000 in a calendar month or 1/3 of time in calendar month |
| <b>Organization lobbyist</b> | \$2,625 in a calendar quarter       | 10 contacts with City Officials within 60 calendar days | 30 compensated hours within 3 consecutive months | 25 contacts within 2 consecutive months                                  | \$0 (Any attempt to influence a County decision by anyone who makes personal or telephone contact with County official) | 1/3 of time in calendar month                                |
| <b>Expenditure lobbyist</b>  | n/a                                 | \$5,000 within 90 calendar days                         | \$5,000 in a calendar quarter                    | \$3,200 within 3 consecutive months                                      | n/a   | n/a  |

<sup>1</sup> Current San Diego Municipal Code §§ 27.4005

<sup>2</sup> Proposed San Diego Municipal Code § 27.4002

<sup>3</sup> L.A. Municipal Lobbying Ordinance § 48.02

<sup>4</sup> San Francisco Campaign and Government Conduct Code § 2.105

<sup>5</sup> San Diego County Code of Regulatory Ordinances § 23.102

<sup>6</sup> California Government Code §§ 18238.5, 18239, 18239.5



COMPARISON OF LOBBYING LAWS – INFORMATION ON REGISTRATION FORM

| Category  | San Diego <sup>1</sup><br>(current) | San Diego <sup>2</sup><br>(proposed) | Los Angeles <sup>3</sup> | San Francisco <sup>4</sup>   | County of San Diego <sup>5</sup>           | State of CA <sup>6</sup> |
|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| <b>Firm or individual registers?</b>                  | Individual                          | Firm and/or organization             | Both                     | Either entity or individual  | Either entity or individual                | Firm and/or organization |
| <b>Lobbyist information</b>                           | Yes                                 | Yes                                  | Yes                      | Yes                          | Yes  | Yes                      |
| <b>Names of officers and/or employees</b>             | n/a                                 | Yes                                  | Yes                      | Yes                          | No   | Yes                      |
| <b>Names of Client/s</b>                              | Yes                                 | Yes                                  | Yes                      | Yes                          | Yes  | Yes                      |
| <b>Nature/purpose of filer's or client's business</b> | Yes                                 | Yes                                  | No                       | No                           | No   | Yes                      |
| <b>Client authorization</b>                           | No                                  | No                                   | Yes                      | Yes                          | No   | Yes                      |
| <b>Decisions to be influenced</b>                     | Yes                                 | Yes                                  | Yes                      | Yes                          | No   | No                       |
| <b>Outcome sought</b>                                 | No                                  | Yes                                  | No                       | Yes                          | No   | No                       |
| <b>Agency to be lobbied</b>                           | No                                  | No                                   | Yes                      | No                           | Yes (departments and names of Supervisors) | Yes                      |
| <b>Compensation received or promised</b>              | No                                  | No                                   | No                       | Yes (within past two months) | No   | No                       |
| <b>Previous contacts</b>                              | No                                  | Yes (for organization lobbyists)     | No                       | Yes (within past two months) | No   | No                       |

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|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| <b>Campaign contributions</b>        | No  | No   | No   | Yes (within past two months; itemize \$100 or more)  | No                                     | No   |
| <b>Campaign fundraising</b>          | No  | Yes; name of any current elected official for whom at least \$1,000 was raised within past 2 years | No   | Yes (within past two months; itemize \$100 or more)  | No                                     | No   |
| <b>Compensated campaign services</b> | No  | Yes; for any current elected official within past 2 years  | No   | No   | No                                     | No   |
| <b>City contracts</b>                | No  | Yes; any contract services provided within past 2 years  | No   | No   | No                                     | No   |
| <b>Amendments</b>                    | Any change in information filed with next quarterly disclosure report | Filed within 10 calendar days of discovery   | Filed within 10 calendar days of discovery | Required but no timeframe specified  | Not addressed                          | Filed within 20 calendar days of discovery           |
| <b>Other Information</b>             | n/a   | n/a  | Training required every two years          | (1) Must register before contacting city official; (2) Re-registration reports must include date of most recent training | n/a                                    | Photograph of each lobbyist & training certification |

<sup>1</sup> Current San Diego Municipal Code §§ 27.4007, 27.4009, 27.4012

<sup>2</sup> Proposed San Diego Municipal Code §§ 27.4007, 27.4009, 27.4012

<sup>3</sup> L.A. Municipal Lobbying Ordinance § 48.07(D),(E),(G),(I)

<sup>4</sup> San Francisco Campaign and Government Conduct Code §2.110

<sup>5</sup> San Diego County Code of Regulatory Ordinances §23.104

<sup>6</sup> California Government Code §§ 86100, 86103, 86104, 86105, 86107



COMPARISON OF LOBBYING LAWS – CONTENTS OF QUARTERLY DISCLOSURE REPORTS

| Category                                  | San Diego <sup>1</sup><br>(current)   | San Diego <sup>2</sup><br>(proposed)         | Los Angeles <sup>3</sup>  | San Francisco <sup>4</sup>  | County of San Diego <sup>5</sup> | State of CA <sup>6</sup>   |
|---|---|--|---|---|----------------------------------|--|
| <b>Firm or individual files?</b>          | Individual  | Firm or organization                         | Both  | Either entity or individual   | Either entity or individual      | Both   |
| <b>Lobbyist information</b>               | Yes   | Yes  | Yes   | Yes   | Yes                              | Yes  |
| <b>Names of officers and/or employees</b> | n/a   | Yes  | Yes   | Yes   | No                               | Yes  |
| <b>Names of Client/s</b>                  | Yes   | Yes  | Yes   | Yes   | No                               | Yes  |
| <b>Compensation Received</b>              | Yes, in following ranges:<br>(\$0-\$5,000;<br>\$5,000–25,000;<br>\$25,000–50,000;<br>Over \$50,000) | Yes, to nearest \$1,000 (for lobbying firms) | Yes (total payments received)   | Yes (total payments promised and total payments received)                           | No                               | Yes (total payments received)  |
| <b>Number of contacts</b>                 | No  | Yes (for organization lobbyists)             | No (but organization lobbyists required to disclose compensation paid to employees) | No (but organization lobbyists required to disclose compensation paid to employees) | No                               | No (but lobbyist employers must disclose payments to employees who spend 10% of time in one month on lobbying) |
| <b>Decisions influenced</b>               | Yes   | Yes  | Yes   | Yes   | No                               | Yes  |

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|--|---|---|---|--|--|---|
| <b>Outcome sought</b>  | No  | Yes   | No  | Yes  | No   | No  |
| <b>Identity of City Official lobbied</b>   | No  | Yes (name and department)   | Yes (department or agency; not name of individual)                  | Yes (name, title, and department)  | No   | Yes (agency or department name must be identified for administrative actions) |
| <b>Activity expenses (includes consulting fees, salaries, &amp; other forms of compensation)</b> | Yes if \$10 or more on one occasion or \$50 or more aggregate during reporting period | Yes if \$10 or more on one occasion during reporting period   | Yes, if \$25 or more  | Yes (all expenses regardless of amount)  | Yes if \$25 or more on one occasion or \$100 or more aggregate during reporting period (gifts from lobbyist to elected officials and candidates are prohibited)          | Yes (all expenses regardless of amount)                                       |
| <b>Campaign contributions</b>  | No  | Yes (itemize \$100 or more)   | Yes (itemize \$100 or more)   | Yes (itemize \$100 or more)  | Yes (itemize \$100 or more; note that contributions are prohibited if official is identified on lobbyist registration as someone the lobbyist will attempt to influence) | Yes (itemize \$100 or more)   |
| <b>Campaign fundraising</b>  | No  | Yes if \$1,000 or more raised; include name of candidate, date & description of activity, and approximate amount raised | Yes; include name of candidate, date of activity, and amount raised | Yes; itemize \$100 or more; include name of candidate and indicate whether the filer delivered or arranged the contribution or whether a client made the contribution at the lobbyist's behest | No   | No  |

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|--------------------------------------|--|---|---|--|--|---|
| <b>Compensated campaign services</b> | No   | Yes   | Yes   | Yes  | No                                     | No  |
| <b>City contracts</b>                | No   | Yes   | Yes   | Yes  | No                                     | No  |
| <b>Amendments</b>                    | Not addressed                              | Filed within 10 calendar days of discovery  | Not addressed   | Not addressed  | Not addressed                          | Not addressed   |
| <b>Miscellaneous</b>                 | n/a  | n/a   | Must disclose contributions of \$1,000 or more made at behest of city officials to other candidates and/or to charitable or nonprofit organizations | Must separately disclose gift tickets and admissions to political and charitable fundraisers | n/a                                    | Invitations from lobbyists must include a disclosure indicating that attendance at the event constitutes acceptance of a reportable gift.<br>(§86112.3) |

<sup>1</sup> Current San Diego Municipal Code §§ 27.4017

<sup>2</sup> Proposed San Diego Municipal Code §§ 27.4015, 27.4017, 27.4018

<sup>3</sup> L.A. Municipal Lobbying Ordinance § 48.08, 48.08.5

<sup>4</sup> San Francisco Campaign and Government Conduct Code §2.110(d)

<sup>5</sup> San Diego County Code of Regulatory Ordinances §23.106

<sup>6</sup> California Government Code §§ 86112 – 86116; FPPC Regs. 18613, 18616



COMPARISON OF LOBBYING LAWS – MISCELLANEOUS ISSUES

| Issue                        | San Diego (current)  | San Diego (proposed)  | Los Angeles  | San Francisco  | County of San Diego                                  | State of California  |
|------------------------------|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| <b>City Official defined</b> | Elected officeholders, City board members, or City employees (other than purely clerical) (§27.4002) | List of 29 positions identified in ordinance (§27.4002)   | Elected or appointed officers, members, employees, or consultants who qualify as public officials pursuant to state law (those who file SEIs) (§48.02) | Any officer of the City and County of San Francisco (§2.105) | List of 21 positions included in ordinance (§23.102) | Any employee (other than purely clerical) (§82004, 82038)    |
| <b>Fees</b>                  | \$40 registration \$15 per client (§27.4010)   | Fees to be set by Council and filed in Clerk's Rate Book of Fees; fees must be based on administration costs (§27.4010) | \$450 registration \$75 per client (§48.07)  | \$500 registration \$75 per client (§2.110(e))               | None   | \$25 (§86102)  |
| <b>On-line filing</b>        | No provision   | Required when system is implemented (§27.4010)  | Required (§48.06.1)  | Required when system is implemented (§2.160)                 | No provision   | Required if \$5000 or more in activity in quarter (84605(d)) |

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|---|--|---|---|--|--|--|
| <b>Campaign contributions by lobbyist banned?</b>   | No   | No  | Yes<br>(Charter § 470(c)(11))   | No   | Yes, for offices the lobbyist has indicated on registration that he or she will attempt to influence.<br>(§23.109) | Yes, if the lobbyist is registered to lobby the governmental agency of the candidate or officer.<br>(§85702) |
| <b>Campaign consultants banned from lobbying?</b>   | No   | No  | No  | Yes<br>(§2.117)  | No   | No   |
| <b>Gift limits?</b>                                 | No (other than \$360 limit set forth in state and local ethics laws) | Yes (\$10 in a calendar month)<br>(§27.4030)              | Yes (Officials may not accept any gifts from lobbyists)<br>(§49.5.10(A)(4)) | Yes (\$50 within 3 months of contacting an official)<br>(§2.115) | Yes. (Elected officials and candidates may not accept any gifts from registered lobbyists)<br>(§23.109.5)          | Yes (\$10 in a calendar month)<br>(§86203)   |
| <b>Acting as intermediary for gifts prohibited?</b> | No   | Yes (if more than \$10 in a calendar month)<br>(§27.4030) | Yes<br>(§ 49.5.10(A)(5))  | Yes (within 3 months of contacting an official)<br>(§ 2.115)     | No   | Yes<br>(§86203)  |
| <b>Contingent fees prohibited</b>                   | No   | No  | No  | No   | No   | Yes (for administrative & legislative actions, but not contracts)<br>(§86205(f))                             |

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|--|--|---|-------------|--|------------------------|--|
| <b>Notification to Beneficiary of Activity Expense</b> | Yes, within 20 business days<br>(§27.4014) | Unnecessary if gifts over \$10 are prohibited | No          | Yes, within 30 days after the end of a calendar quarter (note that gifts over \$50 are prohibited within 3 months of contacting an official)<br>(§2.125) | No                     | Yes, within 30 days after the end of a calendar quarter (note that gifts over \$10 are prohibited)<br>(§86112.5) |

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