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Introducing the All-New Canadian Compliance for US Companies™



I would like to announce State and Federal Communications is launching a new service this month which closely mirrors our Executive Source Guides, but with all the information you need to know about lobbying legislation in Canada.

Why Canada, or 'Canada Eh?' as you've seen in our recent teaser promotions? Canada is the United States' largest trading partner. Every day thou-

sands of U.S. companies and organizations are transacting business, lobbying, making campaign contributions, and selling to governmental entities.

Lobbying legislation has grown much stronger in recent years so it is imperative that U.S. companies doing business in Canada comply with these laws at both the federal level and in provinces and territories. One wrong move, a missed report, or an egregious

violation could mean severe fines, debarment (suspension to prevent companies and individuals from

participating in government contracts and subcontracts), and even possible criminal prosecution that reaches to the board room and the executive suite. Canadian governmental entities are taking action on questionable activity (or lack of reporting activity) and companies and individuals are being reported in the Canadian media.

In addition, we have been hearing at various conferences the need to understand and deal with changing Canadian regulations, so we have taken the lead to present this new service to you.

Canadian Compliance for US Companies™ will focus on Canadian legislation, both at the federal level and in the 10 provinces and

three territories. The service will be offered as ONE GUIDE, covering Canadian Political Contributions, Lobbying Laws, and Procurement Lobbying. Currently our service is intended for U.S.-based businesses, organizations, and associations.

Want to try this service free for a month? I am pleased to offer you this opportunity beginning February 20, 2008. Simply log on to our website, www.stateandfed.com



and sign up for the free service. Do you know you already want it? We are offering a flat rate for all of 2008, depending if you are a direct user (company or association), or a service provider (law firm or similar). Next year, we will offer this service bundled with our other Executive Source Guides.

This new product launch is a major event. Now we can offer our valued clients one place to go for all your lobbying and campaign finance information, both for the U.S.A. and for Canada.

Look for more articles on this new service in upcoming issues of Compliance Now. We look forward to your responses at trade events and conferences during the year.

Photos shown: Famous Canadian legislative buildings are becoming a familiar site for more U.S. companies conducting business in Canada, such as the Alberta Provincial Legislature Building in Edmonton, the Montreal Town Hall in Quebec Province, and the House of Parliament in Victoria, British Columbia.

by **Elizabeth Z. Bartz**
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It's Up to You New York

The New York City Lobbying Bureau is issuing an extension of time to file the following reports:

- 2007 Lobbyist P4 & Annual Report (normally due by January 15, 2008);
- 2007 Client Annual Report (normally due by January 15, 2008); and
- 2008 Statements of Registration (normally due on January 1, 2008).

The new due date is February 15, 2008.

The Lobbying Bureau staff is available to assist you with instruction, particularly with the client enrollment process, annual reports, and registrations. Lobbyists and clients can also obtain detail instruction and information using the eLobbyist User Guide at www.nyc.gov/elobbyist and clicking on the link for the guide.

This filing extension is a one time extension only, strictly limited to the above reports and filing periods.

If you have any questions concerning the above bulletin please call the Lobbying Bureau at 212-669-8171.



Meet Christine Wheeler, Esq.



State and Federal Communications, Inc. welcomed Christine Wheeler, Esq. in the fall of 2007 as a State Researcher. Before joining

State and Federal, Christine spent time operating a private practice, researching law, and writing appellate briefs and motions. With her experience, Christine

transitioned seamlessly into her position as a State Researcher. Currently she is responsible for researching 12 states, four Canadian provinces, 13 municipalities, and federal government. With the addition of municipalities to the State and Federal Communications website, Christine looks forward to contributing even more in 2008.

When asked what she felt her strongest personality trait was, Christine said it was persistence. If you are a client and have a question about lobbying laws, political contributions, or procurement lobbying, Christine is prepared to assist you in finding the answers.

Can't Imagine the Office without Him



Many of you know I come from a Big Fat Greek Family. We are always in each others business. One of the patriarchs of the Bartz Family is my dad's oldest brother, my uncle, Fr. George Bartz, retired pastor at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church, Akron, Ohio. Since the minute I moved to Akron, Uncle Fr. George was part of State and Federal Communications. We called him the *Office Chaplain*.

He was always in the office greeting new staff and joking with everyone. He did have a tendency to ask the new staff if they had seen the whip!!! One admin did not show up on her second day after that question was asked!

Uncle Fr. George passed away on January 15th at the age of 84. He will be missed by everyone at State and Federal Communications. Above is a picture of him [right] with my father, Jim Bartz [left], who is the *Office Airport Driver*. This photo was taken in December when he attended our company holiday party.

May His Memory Be Eternal.

Notice: Summary of Changes

To better serve our clients, **State and Federal Communications, Inc.** will send, via e-mail, the Summary of Changes covering municipalities, states, and federal on a monthly basis.



See Us in Person

Plan to say hello at future professional development events where **State and Federal Communications** will be attending and/or speaking regarding compliance issues.

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| February 11-14 | Innovate to Motivate - 2008
National Conference for Political Involvement Professionals
Orlando, Florida |
| February 24-27 | National PAC Conference
St. Petersburg, Florida |
| March 5 | Ohio Birthday Party
Washington, DC |
| March 7 | AHEPA 38th Annual Banquet Saluting Public Service
Washington, DC |
| April 2-4 | SGAC Annual Meeting
New Orleans, Louisiana |
| April 6-8 | NASPO 2008 Annual Meeting
New Orleans, Louisiana |

Landmarks Series

This article is one of an ongoing series that focuses on historical and/or significant landmarks. Information gleaned from www.nps.gov, www.wikipedia.com, and other sources.

You will find the following inscriptions on what building in Washington, DC.?

The glory and romance of our history are here preserved in the chronicles of those who conceived and built the structure of our nation.

This building holds in trust the records of our national life and symbolizes our faith in the permanency of our national institutions

Answer: The National Archives Building.



The National Archives Building, which occupies two full city blocks, is located half-way between the White House and the Capitol on Pennsylvania Avenue. The building boasts 72 Corinthian columns, the largest bronze doors in the world, four large sculptures, and two murals.

- The columns are each 53 feet high and weigh 95 tons.

- Each door weighs 6 ½ tons and measure over 38 feet high, almost 19 feet wide and 11 inches thick.

- Positioned near the entrances, four sculptures represent the Future, the Past, Heritage, and Guardianship.

- The two murals by Barry Faulkner are in the Rotunda and depict scenes of the presentation of the Declaration of

Independence and the Constitution.

The building has more than one million visitors each year. Most come to see the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, the Bill of Rights and other historic documents on display. Others come to view the records and conduct historical research.

The Development of the U.S. archival profession and timeline for the National Archives *acquired from www.archives.gov*

Year: Event:

- 1800 Fires damaged records of the War Office and the Treasury Department from 1800-1801
- 1861 Number of federal records surged and the Government grew during Civil War
- 1877 Fire destroyed top floor of Patent Office Building and led General Meigs to propose a fireproof Hall of Records
- 1884 American Historical Association (AHA) was founded in 1884. The AHA focused on the development of standardized systems of archival organization
- 1898 Plans for a "hall of records" sent to Congress; no funds were appropriated
- 1899 The Public Archives Commission was established
- 1899 Legislation allowed agencies to submit to Congress lists of records recommended for disposal
- 1909 Conference of Archivists organized to work for the establishment of new archives and the improvement of existing ones
- 1910 American Historical Association went on record in support of a National Archives
- 1912 President Taft raised the need for a national archives with Congress
- 1921 Commerce Department fire destroyed census records of 1890
- 1926 \$1,000,000 was fully appropriated for a National Archives building
- 1930 John Russell Pope selected as architect for the archives building
- 1931 On September 9, 1931, ground was broken for the archives building in Washington, DC
- 1933 On February 20, 1933, President Herbert Hoover laid the cornerstone for the National Archives building
- 1934 On June 19, 1934, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the National Archives Act creating the National Archives as an independent agency
- 1934 R.D.W. Connor became the 1st Archivist of the United States
- 1935 First staff moves into the uncompleted National Archives building in November
- 1936 Murals by Barry Faulkner installed on walls of rotunda
- 1937 Extension to National Archives building completed June 1937
- 1939 Franklin D. Roosevelt Library was made the first Presidential archival depository, the first of the presidential libraries now comprising the Presidential Library system
- 1941 Solon Buck became the 2nd Archivist of the United States
- 1948 Wayne Grover named the 3rd Archivist of the United States
- 1952 On December 13, Declaration of Independence and the Constitution were transferred from the Library of Congress to the exhibit hall of the National Archives building.
- 1966 Robert H. Bahmer became the 4th Archivist of the United States
- 1968 James B. Rhoads named the 5th Archivist of the United States
- 1974 The Presidential Recordings and Materials Preservation Act of 1974 gave the government custody over the Nixon tape recordings, documents, and records
- 1978 The Presidential Records Act of 1978 made all Presidential records created after January 20, 1981, the property of the United States
- 1980 Robert M. Warner named the 6th Archivist of the United States
- 1984 The National Archives again attained independence as an agency in October 1984 (effective April 1, 1985), when it became known as the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)
- 1987 Don Wilson became the 7th Archivist of the United States
- 1993 NARA's state-of-the-art archival building in College Park, Maryland, was completed in 1993 and dedicated on May 12, 1994
- 1995 John W. Carlin became the 8th Archivist of the United States
- 2005 Allen Weinstein became the 9th Archivist of the United States on February 16, 2005

For more information on the United States Capitol, visit www.nps.gov