

March 27, 2012

Advisory Opinion Update

On March 22, 2012 the Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board met and decided on the opinion summarized below. Click on the AO number to read the full text of the opinion.

ADVISORY OPINION NO. 2012-5, Application of the Code of Ethics for Communicator Lobbyists

The Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board concluded that the Petitioner is not a "communicator lobbyist," as defined in § 1-91, if he has registered to lobby but has neither received nor agreed to receive \$2000 or more in compensation or reimbursement for actual expenses, or both, in a calendar year.

You may search Advisory Opinions by using the search engine located at the top right side of our website: www.ct.gov/ethics.

Statements of Financial Interests - May 1st Filing Deadline

On March 15, 2012 an electronic notification was sent to all State Employees and Public Officials who were identified by their agency as being required to file an annual Statement of Financial Interests (SFI) with the Office of State Ethics (OSE) by May 1, 2012.

Ethics Liaisons - Please monitor and send filers periodic reminders by utilizing the [online SFI filing system](#). Log-In to the system and select the "**Notify Filers**" tab to send reminders.

For assistance, please refer to our step-by-step liaison guide, [Ethics Liaison Guide to Statements of Financial Interests Filing System](#) or contact me directly at 860-263-2397 or email nancy.nicolescu@ct.gov.

****NEW** Regional Training Opportunities**

The OSE will be offering regional training opportunities on the Code of Ethics for Public Officials and State Employees. Please send your new employees or any who may have missed a training opportunity at your agency.

Dates and Locations:

- **West Region**
June 26th at 10 a.m. 25 Creamery Road, Cheshire, CT – Training Room
- **North Region**
June 27th at 1:30 p.m. 255 Pitkin Street/155 Founders Plaza, East Hartford, CT (Front & Back addresses for the same building.) – Training Room, 3rd Floor.
- **South Region**
June 28th 10:30 a.m. 104 South Turnpike Rd., Wallingford, CT– Conf. Room A

Registration for the above training opportunities is mandatory. Details and online registration can be found on the OSE's website, in the [calendar of events](#).

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