



Municipal Contract Disclosure (Committees Funding Municipal CEO Candidates Only)

Any individual who contributes to the campaign of a candidate for chief executive officer of a town (e.g. mayor, first selectman) in excess of \$400 in the aggregate, whether it be a candidate committee or slate committee financing such a candidate, must provide the treasurer with a statement indicating whether the contributor, or any business with which he is associated, has a contract with the town which is valued at more than \$5,000. A “business with which he is associated” refers to any business in which the contributor is a director, officer, owner, limited or general partner, or stockholder of 5% or more of the total stock of the business. General Statutes §§ 9-601 (17), 9-608 (c) (1) (I). Individuals with municipal contracts **may** contribute to committees funding CEO candidates up to the normal limits.

Lobbyist Disclosure

The law requires disclosure for each itemized contribution made by a lobbyist, the spouse of a lobbyist or any dependent child of a lobbyist who resides in the lobbyist’s household. General Statutes § 9-608 (c) (1) (H). Individual lobbyists **may** contribute to committees funding candidates for municipal office up to the normal limits.

Definitions of Terms

“Individual contributor”: Only an individual, and not a business, may make a contribution. Individual contributor is defined as a human being, a sole proprietorship, or a professional service corporation organized under chapter 594a and owned by a single human being. A sole proprietorship is a business in which one human being owns all the assets, owes all the liabilities, and operates in his or her personal capacity. Any other type of business is not permitted to make a contribution, including LLCs. *See* General Statutes §§ 9-601 (9), 9-611 (a).

“Lobbyist”: Anyone required by law to register as a lobbyist with the Office of State Ethics because they (a) expend or agree to expend \$3,000 or more in a calendar year on lobbying; OR (b) receive or agree to receive \$3,000 or more in a calendar year for lobbying. General Statutes § 1-91.

“Dependent child”: A child residing in an individual’s household who may legally be claimed as a dependent on the federal income tax return of such individual. *See* General Statutes §§ 9-601 (24), 9-608 (c) (1) (H), 9-612 (f) (1) (G).