
Compliance Agreement**Case no. 01-21**

On this 3rd day of August, 2021, the Integrity Commissioner of the City of Ottawa entered into a compliance agreement with Jack Stirling relating to a violation of the Lobbyist Registry By-law 2012-309 and the Lobbyists' Code of Conduct.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

I, Jack Stirling of Ottawa, Ontario, President of The Stirling Group, acknowledge the following:

Between November 2019 and February 2020, my company provided free services to a Member of Council while I was a registered lobbyist acting for The Stirling Group.

At that time, I had 3 active lobbying files in the City of Ottawa Lobbyist Registry.

I am now aware that it is a breach of Section 6 of the Lobbyists' Code of Conduct for a lobbyist with active lobbying files, their registered clients or their employees to directly or indirectly offer gifts, benefits or hospitality to Members of Council or their staff.

I am also aware that by providing this benefit to a Member of Council, I was in violation of Section 6 of the Lobbyist Registry By-law 2012-309, as I placed a public office holder in a perceived conflict of interest and in breach of the Code of Conduct for Members of Council.

On July 29, 2021, I was contacted by the Integrity Commissioner and informed that I was in breach of the Lobbyist Registry By-law 2012-309 and the Lobbyists' Code of Conduct.

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AGREEMENT

I acknowledge and accept responsibility for not complying fully with the terms of the Lobbyist Registry By-law 2012-309 and the Lobbyists' Code of Conduct.

I understand that my acknowledgement of non-compliance does not constitute an admission of intentional wrongdoing.

I am now fully aware of the relevant provisions of the Lobbyist Registry By-law 2012-309 and the Lobbyists' Code of Conduct.

I will refrain from lobbying at the City of Ottawa for 30 days following the signature of this compliance agreement.

I undertake to comply fully with the provisions of the Lobbyist Registry By-law 2012-309 and the Lobbyists' Code of Conduct in the future.

The Integrity Commissioner acknowledges that I fully cooperated with the Commissioner in this matter.

The Integrity Commissioner and I recognize that once this agreement is entered into, the Commissioner will not initiate a formal investigation, will not take any further action pursuant to the Lobbyist Registry By-law 2012-309 and the Commissioner will consider this case file as resolved.

I consent to the publication of this agreement on the Integrity Commissioner's web page on the City of Ottawa web site.

Signed this 3rd day of August, 2021.

Original signed by:
Jack Stirling

Original signed by:
Robert Marleau

Signature of Lobbyist

Robert Marleau, Integrity Commissioner

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