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Lobbying Compliance Handbook Released with New Insert on HLOGA

Bethesda, Md. (June 26, 2013) – This July, Lobbyists.info will release the 2013 edition of *The Lobbying Compliance Handbook: A Practitioner's Guide in the Age of HLOGA*. Written by campaign finance and lobbying expert Cleta Mitchell in conjunction with Holtzman Vogel PLLC attorneys Jason Torchinsky and Michael Bayes, the latest version of the 895+ page handbook contains updates in campaign finance law, a site visit fundraising checklist, and a 20-page insert on the impact of the Honest Leadership and Open Government (HLOGA).

The 20-page HLOGA insert is comprised of the results of an October study led by Lobbyists.info and The George Washington University titled *The Honest Leadership and Open Government Act Five Years Later: A review of the impact of lobbying's most sweeping ethics law*. The study is the first of its kind to examine the effect of lobbying's central ethics law on lobbyists, and provides the most comprehensive analysis of the law's efficacy in deterring noncompliance.

Additionally, a brief section on site visit fundraising guides readers through the rules that dictate who can and cannot pay for congressional site visits.

Throughout the 2013 edition of *The Lobbying Compliance Handbook*, figures have been updated to reflect changes in the law since the handbook's most recent publication in 2012. These include Federal Election Committee contribution limits, which have increased significantly and are currently being scrutinized by the Supreme Court.

The 2013 *Lobbying Compliance Handbook* will be published this July. More information can be found at <http://www.lobbyists.info/Lobbying-Compliance-HLOGA-Handbook>. A companion State Lobbying Compliance Handbook is also published by Lobbyists.info.

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