

# User Guide

## Lobbyist Registration & Reporting System

DISCLOSURE REPORTING

### Filing a Disclosure Report after the deadline

Applies to all lobbyists, entities, and clients

If you miss the 2-week filing deadline, the system automatically generates alerts:

- Your account homepage displays a late notice
- The link to your next disclosure report is not visible until the late report is submitted and concluded, and all late fees are paid
- Select **submit report and late fees** to start

The screenshot shows the account homepage for a client named "Client Test". At the top, there is a header for William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, with a search bar and navigation links (HOME, DIRECTIONS, CONTACT US). Below the header, the page title is "Lobbyist Registration & Reporting System". The main content area is divided into three columns. The left column contains information about the system and account status. The middle column, titled "Welcome, Client Test", lists account details and provides links for registration and disclosure reports. The right column contains contact information for the Lobbyist Division. At the bottom, there is a footer with the Secretary's name and a link to Terms and Conditions.

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### Lobbyist Registration & Reporting System

The Lobbyist Registration and Reporting System is maintained by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to provide the lobbying community with online access to all required forms and documents.

**This is your account homepage**  
Every registered online account has a private secure area. The homepage displays your status and provides a menu of specific tasks available to you.

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**Welcome, Client Test**

- Your 2013 registration is concluded.
- Your disclosure report for the January - June 2013 reporting period is late.
- Complete and submit promptly - late fees will be charged daily until your report is submitted.
- The link to your disclosure report for the July - December 2013 reporting period will not be available until the prior report is submitted and concluded.

Registration	Disclosure Reports
<b>2013 Registration Concluded</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Update registration</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Apply for waiver</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Terminate a lobbying relationship</a></li><li>• <a href="#">View or print a copy</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Payment history</a></li></ul>	<b>January - June 2013</b> <b>Report and late fee due</b> <a href="#">Start report</a> <b>July - December 2013</b> Link not available

Registration and disclosure reporting are governed by Mass. General Laws, Chapter 3, Sections 39 through 50.

**Contact the Lobbyist Division at 617-727-9122 if you require account assistance**  
This office can answer questions about using the online system, or provide technical assistance with the registration or disclosure reporting process.

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## Filing a late disclosure report

### Fill out all forms as required

- If you need instructions for filling out the forms, go back to online help table of contents and select the link to the instructions for your account type.

### Review and submit

- Review the information entered on your forms for accuracy and completeness
- Select the link to proceed to the certify and submit screen
- This action will display the payment screen

>> *Late fees continue to accrue until payment is received by the Lobbyist Division.*

ONLINE HELP Start Registration Review Operating Expenses 1 Activities and Bill Numbers 2 Meals, Travel, Entertainment 3 Additional Expenses 4 Campaign Contributions 5 Review and Submit

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Failure to itemize the required information may cause the Lobbyist Division to reject your disclosure report.

### Review and submit your report

This is the information that has been saved to date on your disclosure reporting forms.

- Your report is overdue. Submit promptly with your late fees to avoid additional fees. Daily late fees will continue until the report is submitted and all fees are paid.

Click here to reverse an incidental status

Proceed to the certify and submit screen

Return to account homepage

## Filing a late disclosure report

### Payment

- The payment screen displays the reason for the payment, amount due, and payment choices
- Pay online for immediate submission to the Lobbyist Division

**Registration Filing Fees**

Lobbyist	\$100
Lobbyist Entity	\$1,000, plus \$100 for each sub-agent registered
Client	\$100 for each lobbying relationship registered

**Disclosure Report late fees**

\$50 / day Up to 20 days

\$100 / day After 20 days, and until the report is submitted and all late fees paid

**Payment is now due:**

**Reason** Late fee for filing a disclosure report after the deadline

Late fees will continue to accrue each day until this report is submitted and all fees paid

**Account** Sandra Berardi

<b>Number of days late:</b>	99
<b>Total amount due:</b>	\$8,900.00

**Select a payment method:**

**Pay Online** Use an e-check, MasterCard, Visa, or American Express. An expedited fee is added at time of payment.

**For assistance**

If you have any questions about making a payment, contact the Lobbyist Division at 617-727-9122.

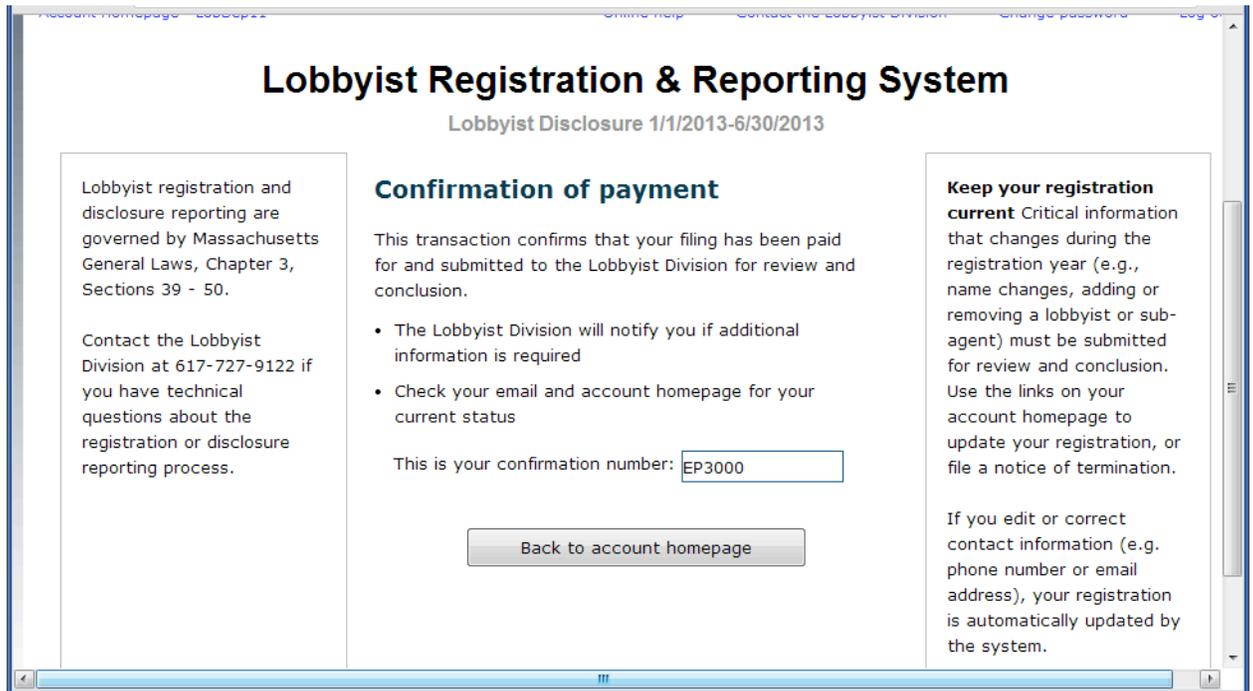
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*The screen images displayed throughout the online help documents do not represent accurate reporting and submission dates, or actual lobbyists, entities, or clients. The information contained within these sample screens is strictly intended for instructional purposes only.*

## Paying a late fee by credit card or e-check

If you select an online option, the system stops generating daily late fees once your payment is successfully transmitted.

- The confirmation screen shows the Lobbyist Division received your disclosure report and late fee, and will begin the review process



The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the "Lobbyist Registration & Reporting System" confirmation page. The page title is "Lobbyist Registration & Reporting System" with a subtitle "Lobbyist Disclosure 1/1/2013-6/30/2013". The page is divided into three main sections:

- Left Column:** Contains text stating that lobbyist registration and disclosure reporting are governed by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 3, Sections 39 - 50. It also provides contact information for the Lobbyist Division at 617-727-9122 for technical questions.
- Center Column:** Features a heading "Confirmation of payment" and a paragraph confirming that the filing has been paid for and submitted to the Lobbyist Division. Below this, there are two bullet points: "The Lobbyist Division will notify you if additional information is required" and "Check your email and account homepage for your current status". A confirmation number "EP3000" is displayed in a text box, with the label "This is your confirmation number:". A "Back to account homepage" button is located at the bottom of this section.
- Right Column:** Contains a heading "Keep your registration current" and a paragraph explaining that critical information (e.g., name changes, adding or removing a lobbyist or sub-agent) must be submitted for review. It also mentions that contact information (e.g., phone number or email address) is automatically updated by the system.

The browser's address bar shows "http://www.mass.gov/lobbyist/registration-reporting-system/confirmation-payment.aspx". The browser's status bar at the bottom indicates the page is from "http://www.mass.gov/lobbyist/registration-reporting-system/confirmation-payment.aspx".

## Report concluded

- Your account homepage verifies that your disclosure report was submitted and concluded, and all late fees paid
- The link to your next disclosure report is now visible

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- Your next disclosure report is due January 15, 2014.

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