

Connecticut Contractor Contribution and Solicitation Ban in Full Swing

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As reported in our November 2006 issue of *Election Law News*, Connecticut now bans contributions from, and solicitation of contributions by, "communicator lobbyists" as well as many executives and employees working for state contractors (plus their spouses or domestic partners and unemancipated children).

This law became effective on December 31, 2006, and the State Elections Enforcement Commission is busy handling the logistical aspect of its job, including posting the list of affected "principals" of state contractors.

The lists are available here: www.ct.gov/seec/cwp/view.asp?a=2650&q=330062. According to the SEEC, and as can be seen in the lists, some contractors have yet to file lists of their affected principals with the state.

The state also has posted additional information about the contractor and lobbyist contribution and solicitation bans. This information can be accessed at www.ct.gov/seec/cwp/view.asp?a=2360&Q=316542&seecNav=.

State contractors should be aware that they will not be allowed to enter into new contracts with the state without filing a certification as to the compliance with the new law. WRF is assisting clients with the notification and compliance provisions of the Act. Please feel free to contact us if you need such assistance.

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