

The LDA Now Requires the Disclosure of Certain Criminal Convictions

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As a result of the Justice Against Corruption on K Street Act of 2018 or JACK Act (named after the notorious Jack Abramoff), federal lobbyists who have committed certain crimes must now disclose them on their LDA registrations and reports. The new law, P.L. No. 115-418, mandates that lobbyists disclose the date of their convictions and descriptions of the offenses if they were convicted in federal or state court “of an offense involving bribery, extortion, embezzlement, an illegal kickback, tax evasion, fraud, a conflict of interest, making a false statement, perjury, or money laundering.” The JACK Act was signed by President Trump on January 3, 2019, and imposes this reporting requirement on both LDA registrations and LDA reports.

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