

Pursuant to the authority vested in section 94 of the Executive Law and Article 1-A of the Legislative Law, Part 943 of Title 19 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York is amended, to be effective January 1, 2025, after publication of a Notice of Adoption in the New York State Register, to read as follows:

Subdivision (s) of section 943.3 is amended to read as follows:

(s) **Responsible Party** means the Lobbyist or Client's Chief Administrative Officer, or a designee, who is responsible for filing the Statements or Reports required under the Lobbying Act.

(1) If a Lobbyist or Client is an organization, the Responsible Party must have legal authority to bind the Lobbyist or Client.

(2) If a Lobbyist or Client is a person, the Responsible Party is such person.

(3) The Responsible Party does not include an individual whose sole responsibility or authority is to prepare such Statements or Reports for a Lobbyist or Client.

Subdivision (b) of section 943.9 is amended to read as follows:

**(b) Obligations of the Responsible Party.**

(1) All Statements or Reports required under the Lobbying Act or set forth in the Commission's regulations must be signed and attested to by the Responsible Party for the Lobbyist or Client, as applicable, [, or another who has been designated to sign and file such required Statement or Report. Such a designation must be signed by the Responsible Party and Designee, completed and submitted to the Commission before the due date of such Statements or Reports.]

Subparagraph(iii) of section 943.10(k)(1) is amended to read as follows:

(iii) The signature of the Responsible Party [or designee], if applicable.

Subdivision (e) of section 943.12 is amended to read as follows:

(e) **Responsible Party.** The Responsible Party of the Client [or another duly designated and reported to the Commission (prior to the due date for such Report)] is responsible for signing, attesting, and filing all Client reports. [Any such designation must be signed by the Responsible Party and Designee.]