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The following rules apply to reporting political campaign contributions on lobbyist expenditure reports:

First, only report political campaign contributions made to candidates for State office, not local municipal, county, or federal election campaigns.

Second, only report contributions you made, not contributions by individuals or companies which employ you to lobby on their behalf.

Third, report campaign contributions if made by a spouse or a dependent family member from a joint banking account on which you are named.

Fourth, only report the total amount of the campaign contributions on the Lobbyist Activity Expenditure Report under the section entitled "Political Campaign Contributions." As provided by West Virginia Code, there is no requirement that you list the names of individuals to whom you made a campaign contribution. That information is available through the Secretary of State's Office which keeps copies of Campaign Finance Reports on file.

Fifth, only report campaign contributions made to individuals who currently are either elected or appointed public officials or public employees. The only time you will report a campaign contribution made to someone who does not currently hold an elected or appointed public office or is not employed by a public agency, is if the person wins the general election and you make a contribution to help him or her retire a campaign debt.