



STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
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December 7, 2021

Secretary of State
Political Reform Division
c/o Gwinith Clara
via email: prdlobbying@sos.ca.gov; gclara@sos.ca.gov

Re: No Action Closure Letter; 2017-01389 (Angela Cantu)

Dear Secretary of State,

This letter is in response to the lobbyist non-filer referral you submitted to the Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission regarding the above-referenced individual. Your referral alleged that Angela Cantu, former lobbyist with Blackstone Administrative Services Partnership, failed to file lobbyist quarterly reports (Form 615) for the first three quarters of the 2017-2018 legislative session.

The Enforcement Division has since found that Angela Cantu did not qualify as a lobbyist during the 2017-2018 legislative session. Angela Cantu prepared a Notice of Withdrawal (Form 607) in May of 2020. We have directed Angela Cantu to send the signed original Form 607 to your office, but a copy of it is enclosed here for your records.

We acknowledge that the law requires certain lobbying registration documents be filed with original signatures. However in March of 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Commission issued a press release indicating that digital or electronic statements may be submitted wherever possible.¹ By preparing the Form 607, Angela Cantu indicates she did not qualify as a lobbyist during the 2017-2018 legislative session, and therefore she was not required to file quarterly Form 615s. And consequently, we consider her to be in compliance.

Therefore, we are closing this matter with no action. If you have any questions, please contact Ginny Lambing at 916-322-8064 or glambing@fppc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Angela J. Brereton

Angela J. Brereton
Chief, Enforcement Division

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Enclosure (Form 607)
cc: Angela Cantu

¹ <https://www.fppc.ca.gov/media/press-releases/2020-news-releases/press-release-lobbying-reports.html>