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**West Virginia Ethics Commission**  
**Lobbyist Activity Report Form**

2019-03

West Virginia Ethics Commission  
Attn: Lobbyist Registrar  
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Charleston, WV 25301  
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**1. Name and contact information**

Name Chris Hall Phone 304-982-6050  
 Business Address PO Box 11847 Business Email chall@orion-strategies.com  
 City, State Zip Charleston, WV 25339

**2. Reporting period for which this activity report is being filed**

Check	Report	Period	Due Date				
x	2019-3	9/1/19 – 12/31/19	1/15/2020				

**3. List all employers/organizations that you represent as a lobbyist** *Use additional reporting forms if necessary.*

1. <u>Aerospace Alliance of WV</u>	4. <u>Independent Waste Haulers and Recyclers Assoc of WV</u>
2. <u>Burford Capital, LLC</u>	5. <u>Orion Strategies</u>
3. <u>WV EMS Coalition</u>	6. <u>Mon Health</u>

**4. Lobbying activity summary - If there was no activity or expenditures, indicate "none."**

General Law, Aerospace, Taxation, Litigation Financing, Emergency Medical Services, Health Care, Energy  
Public Service Commission

**5. Expenditures**

If no expenditures, including campaign contributions, mark here:

If you spent money on any public official, employee or member of his or her immediate family, list the amounts spent in each of the following categories per each employer you represent. Complete and attach Schedule A to this report.

Expenditure Categories	Employer 1	Employer 2	Employer 3	Employer 4	Employer 5	Employer 6	Total Expended
A. Meals and Beverages	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$84.39	\$0	\$84.39
B. Lodging	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
C. Advertising	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
D. Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
E. Gifts	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
F. Other Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
G. Group Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$498	\$3323.02	\$256.20	\$4077.22
H. Campaign Contributions	<i>LIST AMOUNT IN "TOTAL EXPENDED" COLUMN.</i>						\$300
I. TOTAL of all expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$498	\$3407.31	\$256.20	\$4377.22

If you sponsored or contributed to any group event or shared expenses, list the total expended in category 5G immediately above. Complete and attach a Schedule B for each event.



## Schedule B: Group Entertainment & Shared Expenses

(Attach to the Lobbyist Activity Report)

**Instructions:** *Group Entertainment* functions include only the functions that fall within the following groups. Report expenditures for a dinner party, reception or other similar function if you invited ALL members of any of these four specific groups. Individual names of attendees do not need to be listed for these four specific groups.

- |   |                                     |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| 1. the Legislature                                | 3. either house of the Legislature  |
| 2. a standing or select committee of either house | 4. a joint committee of both houses |

Use the worksheet below to figure the amount spent on legislators and other governmental officials and employees for each "event." Enter this amount on the Lobbyist Activity Report.

List each group event separately. **Make additional copies of this page if necessary.** Record total expenditures for each group event in **Section B**. You must then calculate and post on the Lobbyist Activity Report only the amount actually spent on public officials. If you share expenses with another reporting lobbyist, report only your portion of the expenses and list the names of other co-sponsors in **Section C** below.

### Section A: Event Information

Lobbying expenses for entertainment of "OTHER" group events are reported in the "Meals & Beverages" category on the Lobbyist Activity Report Form. List the names of attendees on this form or attach additional information pages. If using this form, list the names in item 5 below, as well as other event information requested in items 1 through 4 and complete the Section B calculations.

1. Date of event: October 20, 2019 Location: Stonewall Resort
2. Type of event (reception, dinner, etc.): Dinner
3. Event sponsor: Orion Strategies, LLC (If you shared the sponsorship and expenses with others, you must also complete Section C below.)
4. Which of the following governmental groups were invited? All members of:
- |                          |                                    |                          |   |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | a. the Legislature                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | c. a standing or select committee of either house |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | b. either house of the Legislature | <input type="checkbox"/> | d. a joint committee of both houses               |
- OR**
5.  OTHER: If the event was not in one of the four specific groups listed above, you must list the names of all public employees or public officials in attendance here or on an attachment to this form. List attendees here:  
Republican Legislative Caucus Event - Please see attached

### Section B: Calculate Reportable Expenses

*Some calculations must be performed manually.*

1.  $\frac{3323.02}{\text{(total cost of event)}} \div \frac{\text{}}{\text{(total attendance)}} = \$ \frac{\text{}}{\text{(per capita cost)}}$

2. Number of governmental officials or employees in attendance:

$\frac{\text{}}{\text{(governmental attendees)}} \times \frac{\text{}}{\text{(per capita cost)}} = \boxed{3323.02}$

If this was a true Group Entertainment event and you were the sponsor, report the amount above as Group Entertainment on the Lobbyist Activity Report in Section 5G. If you shared expenses with others, complete section C below, and report only your portion of the cost. Note: If you classified the expenditure described in section A as "OTHER," it is reported on the Lobbyist Activity Report Form as a Meals & Beverages expense (5A), not as a "Group Expenditure" (5G).

### Section C: Shared Sponsorship Expenses

1. Were any other lobbyists co-sponsors of this event? No (yes or no)
2. If yes, with how many others are sharing the cost?          List the names of all sponsors below:  
 \_\_\_\_\_
3. What is your share of Box 1 above? \$

Record that amount in Box 2 and on the Lobbyist Activity Report in Section 5G.

**3323.02**

My employer, Orion Strategies, sponsored a meal on October 20, 2019 for a gathering of the West Virginia Legislature's Republican Caucus at Stonewall Resort. The cost of the meal was \$3,323.02.

It is my understanding that all Republican members of the legislature both House and Senate were invited to the caucus event. During the event, I was traveling outside of the country and was unable to attend. However, other representatives of my employer were in attendance.

The group entertainment reporting requirements of the West Virginia Ethics Commission state that individual names of attendees do not need to be listed for four specific groups:

- 1) The Legislature
- 2) A Standing of Select Committee of Either House
- 3) Either House of the Legislature
- 4) A Joint Committee of Both Houses

An event for a party caucus is not covered by any of those four exemptions and would require a listing of the individuals in attendance. Since I was unable to be present for the event, I cannot accurately report the names of those in attendance. I have made a good faith effort to contact the event organizers and request an attendee list but I have been told that no such roster was kept for the function.

There were 56 Republican members of the House of Delegates (plus one vacancy) and 20 Republican members of the State Senate at the time of the event that could have potentially been in attendance. They include:

Mike Azinger	Charles Trump	Danny Hamrick
Craig Blair	Ryan Weld	Caleb Hanna
Donna Boley	William Anderson	Roger Hanshaw
Mitch Carmichael	Martin Atkinson III	John Hardy
Charles Clements	Tom Azinger	Joshua Higginbotham
Sue Cline	Trenton Barnhart	John Paul Hott
Bill Hamilton	Tom Bibby	Eric Householder
Kenny Mann	Jim Butler	Gary Howell
Mike Maroney	Scott Cadle	Dean Jeffries
Mark Maynard	Moore Capito	Joe Jeffries
John R. Pitsenbarger	Roy Cooper	Buck Jennings
Rollan Roberts	Daryl Cowles	David Kelly
Patricia Rucker	Vernon Criss	John Kelly
Randy Smith	Mark Dean	Kayla Kessinger
Chandler Swope	Joe Ellington	Larry Kump
Dave Sypolt	Paul Espinosa	Daniel Linville
Tom Takubo	Tom Fast	Chuck Little
Eric Tarr	Dianna Graves	John Mandt

Patrick Martin  
Carl Martin  
Zack Maynard  
Pat McGeehan  
Eric Nelson  
Jeffrey Pack  
Tony Paynter  
Chris Phillips

Eric Porterfield  
Ben Queen  
Matthew Rohrbach  
Ruth Rowan  
John Shott  
Brandon Steele  
Erkka Storch  
Amy Summers

Terri Sypolt  
Chris Toney  
Terry Waxman  
Steve Westfall  
Marshall Wilson  
Evan Worrell

I have confirmed that most but not all of these individuals were in attendance and there was minimal governmental employees present. The room was set for approximately 70-75 people which should reflect the total attendance. I have been told there were very few individuals in attendance that were not governmental officials or employees.

Out of an abundance of caution and in an effort to be fully transparent, I have included the full cost of the event under group activity and did not subtract the cost of the meal for any non-governmental officials or employees. This is an effort to ensure the total on the lobbyist activity report form for 2019-03 is not under reported.

If additional details about the event are needed by the Ethics Commission to ensure full reporting compliance and if that information is available to me, I am happy to supply it or submit an amended report as directed.

**Schedule B: Group Entertainment & Shared Expenses**

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List each group event separately. **Make additional copies of this page if necessary.** Record total expenditures for each group event in **Section B**. You must then calculate and post on the Lobbyist Activity Report only the amount actually spent on public officials. If you share expenses with another reporting lobbyist, report only your portion of the expenses and list the names of other co-sponsors in **Section C** below.

**Section A: Event Information**

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1. Date of event: December 16, 2020 Location: Recovery Sports Grill
2. Type of event (reception, dinner, etc.): Reception
3. Event sponsor: Independent Waste Haulers and Recyclers Association of WV (If you shared the sponsorship and expenses with others, you must also complete Section C below.)
4. Which of the following governmental groups were invited? All members of:
- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a. the Legislature      | <input type="checkbox"/> c. a standing or select committee of either house |
| <input type="checkbox"/> b. either house of the Legislature | <input type="checkbox"/> d. a joint committee of both houses               |
- OR**
5.  OTHER: If the event was not in one of the four specific groups listed above, you must list the names of all public employees or public officials in attendance here or on an attachment to this form. List attendees here:

**Section B: Calculate Reportable Expenses***Some calculations must be performed manually.*

$$1. \frac{830}{(\text{total cost of event})} \div \frac{20}{(\text{total attendance})} = \$41.50 \text{ (per capita cost)}$$

2. Number of governmental officials or employees in attendance:

$$\frac{12}{(\text{governmental attendees})} \times \frac{41.50}{(\text{per capita cost})} = \boxed{\$498.00}$$

If this was a true Group Entertainment event and you were the sponsor, report the amount above as Group Entertainment on the Lobbyist Activity Report in Section 5G. If you shared expenses with others, complete section C below, and report only your portion of the cost. Note: If you classified the expenditure described in section A as "OTHER," it is reported on the Lobbyist Activity Report Form as a Meals & Beverages expense (5A), not as a "Group Expenditure" (5G).

**Section C: Shared Sponsorship Expenses**

1. Were any other lobbyists co-sponsors of this event? No (yes or no)
2. If yes, with how many others are sharing the cost? \_\_\_\_\_ List the names of all sponsors below:

3. What is your share of Box 1 above? \$ 498

Record that amount in Box 2 and on the Lobbyist Activity Report in Section 5G.

498	BOX 2
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1. Date of event: December 16, 2020 Location: Charleston Town Center Marriott
2. Type of event (reception, dinner, etc.): Breakfast
3. Event sponsor: Mon Health Care, Inc. (If you shared the sponsorship and expenses with others, you must also complete Section C below.)
4. Which of the following governmental groups were invited? All members of:
- |                          |                                    |                          |   |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | a. the Legislature                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | c. a standing or select committee of either house |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | b. either house of the Legislature | <input type="checkbox"/> | d. a joint committee of both houses               |

OR

5.  OTHER: If the event was not in one of the four specific groups listed above, you must list the names of all public employees or public officials in attendance here or on an attachment to this form. List attendees here:

Del Pyles, Del Walker, Del Fleischauer and Del Jennings

**Section B: Calculate Reportable Expenses***Some calculations must be performed manually.*

$$1. \frac{448.38}{(\text{total cost of event})} \div \frac{7}{(\text{total attendance})} = \$64.05 \quad (\text{per capita cost})$$

2. Number of governmental officials or employees in attendance:

$$\frac{4}{(\text{governmental attendees})} \times \frac{64.05}{(\text{per capita cost})} = \boxed{256.20}$$

If this was a true Group Entertainment event and you were the sponsor, report the amount above as Group Entertainment on the Lobbyist Activity Report in Section 5G. If you shared expenses with others, complete section C below, and report only your portion of the cost. Note: If you classified the expenditure described in section A as "OTHER," it is reported on the Lobbyist Activity Report Form as a Meals & Beverages expense (5A), not as a "Group Expenditure" (5G).

**Section C: Shared Sponsorship Expenses**

1. Were any other lobbyists co-sponsors of this event? No (yes or no)
2. If yes, with how many others are sharing the cost? \_\_\_\_\_ List the names of all sponsors below:

3. What is your share of Box 1 above? \$ 256.20

Record that amount in Box 2 and on the Lobbyist Activity Report in Section 5G.

**256.20<sup>2</sup>**