



September 26, 2022

Ms. Diane M. Kulick
Towanda Borough
724 Main Street
Towanda, PA 18848

Re: Pension Services – Required Disclosure Under Chapter 7-A of Act 44 of 2009

Dear Diane:

Chapter 7-A of Act 44 requires that all pension contractors submit an annual disclosure to their Pennsylvania public sector pension clients. Please find attached the 2022 disclosure form for Conrad Siegel.

You only need to keep this disclosure with your pension records; it does not have to be filed with the State. We will update this form every year. If there are mid-year changes, we will notify you in accordance with Act 44.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John D. Vargo".

John D. Vargo, FSA, EA, MAAA
Partner & Consulting Actuary

Encl.





ACT 44 DISCLOSURE FORM FOR ENTITIES PROVIDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO THE TOWANDA BOROUGH PENSION SYSTEM

CHAPTER 7-A OF ACT 44 OF 2009 MANDATES the annual disclosure of certain information by every entity (hereinafter "Contractor") which is a party to a professional services contract with one or more of the pension funds of the above municipality (hereinafter the "Requesting Municipality"). Act 44 disclosure requirements apply to Contractors who provide professional pension services and receive payment of any kind from the Requesting Municipality's pension fund. Conrad M. Siegel, Inc. believes we fall under the requirements of Act 44 and therefore, we are submitting the attached disclosure form.

DEFINITIONS FOR DISCLOSURE

TERM:	DEFINITION:
CONTRACTOR	Any person, company, or other entity that receives payments, fees, or any other form of compensation from a municipal pension fund in exchange for rendering professional services for the benefit of the municipal pension fund.
SUBCONTRACTOR OR ADVISOR	Anyone who is paid a fee or receives compensation from a municipal pension system – directly or indirectly from or through a contractor.
AFFILIATED ENTITY	Any of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A subsidiary or holding company of a lobbying firm or other business entity owned in whole or in part by a lobbying firm. 2. An organization recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (Public Law 99-514, 26 U.S.C. § 501 (c)) established by a lobbyist or lobbying firm or an affiliated entity.
CONTRIBUTIONS	As defined in section 1621 of the act of June 3 rd , 1937 (P.L. 1333, No. 320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code.
POLITICAL COMMITTEE	As defined in section 1621 of the act of June 3 rd , 1937 (P.L. 1333, No. 320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code.
EXECUTIVE LEVEL EMPLOYEE	Any employee or person or the person's affiliated entity who: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can affect or influence the outcome of the person's or affiliated entity's actions, policies, or decisions relating to pensions and the conduct of business with a municipality or a municipal pension system; or 2. Is directly involved in the implementation or development policies relating to pensions, investments, contracts or procurement, or the conduct of business with a municipality or municipal pension system.
MUNICIPAL PENSION SYSTEM	Any qualifying pension plan, under Pennsylvania state law, for any municipality within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; includes the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System.
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT	A contract to which the municipal pension system is a party that is: (1) for the purchase of professional services including investment services, legal services, real estate services, and other consulting services; and, (2) not subject to a requirement that the lowest bid be accepted.

IDENTIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS & RELATED PERSONNEL

CONTRACTORS: (See "Definitions" – page 2) Any entity who currently provides service(s) by means of a Professional Services Contract to the Municipal Pension System of the Requesting Municipality, please complete all of the following:

Identify the Municipal Pension plan(s) for which you are providing information:

Towanda Borough Police Pension Plan

1. Please provide the names and titles of all individuals providing professional services to the Requesting Municipality's pension plan(s) identified above. Also include the names and titles of any advisors and subcontractors of the Contractor, identifying them as such. After each name provide a description of the responsibilities of that person with regard to the professional services being provided to each designated pension plan.

The following individuals are all employees of Conrad M. Siegel, Inc. and provide actuarial or support services to our public sector clients. We do not hire any third-party advisors or subcontractors.

Andrew W. Bigelow
Ashley A. Wise
Brian N. Graff
Casey B. Krady
Charles A. Eberlin
Daniel S. Hollinger
David H. Killick
Elizabeth N. Goodhart
Emily M. Horne
Ian H. Reish
J. Scott Gehman

Jacob W. Jones
Jeffrey S. Myers
John D. McGlynn
John D. Vargo
Jonathan D. Cramer
Joshua R. Mayhue
Kody A. Kegarise
Krista A. Mamet
Laura V. Hess
Laura D. Hrebenak
Lyndsey M. Turner

Madison L. Martin
Mackenzie N. Garner
Marko K. Resetar
Matthew J. Southerton
McKenzie A. Miller
Nicholas V. Penn
Olivia M. Boyer
Rachel Y. Kye
Sean M. Gallen
Thomas W. Reese
Trevor S. Bare

2. Please list the name and title of any *Affiliated Entity* and their *Executive-level Employee(s)* that require disclosure; after each name, include a brief description of their duties. (See: Definitions)

N/A - Conrad M. Siegel, Inc. is not an Affiliated Entity.

3. Are any of the individuals named in Item 1 or Item 2 above, a current or former official or employee of the Requesting Municipality? IF "YES", provide the name of the person employed, their position with the municipality, and dates of employment.

No.

4. Are any of the individuals named in Item 1 or Item 2 above, a current or former registered Federal or State lobbyist? IF "YES", provide the name of the individual, specify whether they are a state or federal lobbyist, and the date of their most recent registration / renewal.

No.

NOTICE: All information provided for items 1- 4 above must be updated as changes occur.

5. Since December 17th 2009, has the *Contractor* or an *Affiliated Entity* paid compensation to or employed any third party intermediary, agent, or lobbyist that is to directly or indirectly communicate with an official or employee of the *Municipal Pension System* of the Requesting Municipality (OR), any municipal official or employee of the Requesting Municipality in connection with any transaction or investment involving the *Contractor* and the *Municipal Pension System* of the Requesting Municipality?

This question does not apply to an officer or employee of the *Contractor* who is acting within the scope of the firm's standard professional duties on behalf of the firm, including the actual provision of legal, accounting, engineering, real estate, or other professional advice, services, or assistance pursuant to the professional services contact with municipality's pension system. IF "YES", identify: (1) whom (the third party intermediary, agent, or lobbyist) was paid the compensation or employed by the *Contractor* or *Affiliated Entity*, (2) their specific duties to directly or indirectly communicate with an official or employee of the *Municipal Pension System* of the Requesting Municipality (OR), any municipal official or employee of the Requesting Municipality, (3) the official they communicated with, and (4) the dates of this service.

No. Conrad M. Siegel, Inc. does not pay or employ any third party individuals.

6. Within the past two years, has the *Contractor*, or any agent, officer, director, or employee of the *Contractor* solicited a contribution to any municipal official or candidate for municipal office in the Requesting Municipality, or to the political party, or political action committee of that official or candidate?

IF "YES", identify the agent, officer, director or employee who made the solicitation and the municipal officials, candidates, political party or political committee who were solicited (to whom the solicitation was made).

No.

7. Within the past two years, has the *Contractor* or an *Affiliated Entity* made any contributions to a municipal official or any candidate for municipal office in the Requesting Municipality?

IF "YES", provide the name and address of the person(s) making the contribution, the contributor's relationship to the *Contractor*, the name and office or position of the person receiving the contribution, the date of the contribution, and the amount of the contribution.

No.

8. Does the *Contractor* or an *Affiliated Entity* have any direct financial, commercial or business relationship with any official of the Requesting Municipality?

IF "YES", identify the individual with whom the relationship exists and give a detailed description of that relationship. A written letter is required from the Requesting Municipality acknowledging the relationship and consenting to its existence. The letter must be attached to this disclosure. Contact the Requesting Municipality to obtain this letter and attach it to this disclosure before submission.

No.

9. Has the *Contractor* or an *Affiliated Entity* given any gifts having more than a nominal value to any official, employee, or fiduciary of the Requesting Municipality?

IF "YES", provide the name of the person conferring the gift, the person receiving the gift, the office or position of the person receiving the gift, specify what the gift was, and the date conferred.

No.

10. Disclosure of contributions to any political entity in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Applicability: A "yes" response is required and full disclosure is required ONLY WHEN ALL of the following applies:
- a) The contribution was made within the last 5 years
 - b) The contribution was made by an officer, director, executive-level employee or owner of at least 5% of the *Contractor* or *Affiliated Entity*.
 - c) The amount of the contribution was at least \$500 and in the form of:
 1. A single contribution by a person in (b) above, OR
 2. The aggregate of all contributions all persons in (b) above;
 - d) The contribution was for:
 1. Any candidate for any public office or any person who holds an office in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania;
 2. The political committee of a candidate for public office or any person that holds an office in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

IF "YES", provide the name and address of the person(s) making the contribution, the contributor's relationship to the *Contractor*, the name and office or position of the person receiving the contribution (or the political entity / party receiving the contribution), the date of the contribution, and the amount of the contribution.

None.

11. With respect to your provision of professional services to the Municipal Pension System of the Requesting Municipality:

Are you aware of any apparent, potential, or actual conflicts of interest with respect to any officer, director, or employee of the *Contractor* and officials or employees of the Requesting Municipality?

NOTE: If, in the future, you become aware of any apparent, potential, or actual conflict of interest, you are expected to update this Disclosure Form immediately in writing by:

- Providing a brief synopsis of the conflict of interest (and);
- An explanation of the steps taken to address this apparent, potential, or actual conflict of interest.

IF "YES", Provide a detailed explanation of the circumstances which provide you with a basis to conclude that an apparent, potential, or actual conflict of interest may exist.

No, Conrad M. Siegel, Inc. is not aware of any conflict or potential conflict.

12. To the extent that you believe that Chapter 7-A of Act 44 of 2009 requires you to disclose any additional information beyond what has been requested above, please provide that information below or on a separate piece of paper.

None.

VERIFICATION

I, John D. Vargo, FSA, EA, MAAA, hereby state that I am a Consulting Actuary for Conrad M. Siegel, Inc. and I am authorized to make this verification.

I hereby verify that the facts set forth in the foregoing Act 44 Disclosure Form for Entities Providing Professional Services to Towanda Borough are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief. I also understand that knowingly making material misstatements or omissions in this form could subject the responding Contractor to the penalties in Section 705-A(e) of Act 44.

I understand that false statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 P.A.C.S. § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.



Signature

9/26/2022

Date