ACT 44 DISCLOSURE FORM FOR ENTITIES PROVIDING

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO THE

TOWANDA BOROUGH'S 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 of the pension

funds of TOWANDA BOROUGH (hereinafter the "Requesting Municipality"). Act 44 disclosure

requirements apply to *Contactors* who provide professional pension services and receive payment of any

kind from the Requesting Municipality's pension fund. The Requesting Municipality has determined

that your company falls under the requirements of Act 44 and must complete this disclosure form. You

are expected to submit this completed form, to the Requesting Municipality below, by December 1, 2021.

If, for any reason you believe that Act 44 does not require you to complete this disclosure form, please

provide a written explanation of your reason(s) by November 15, 2021.

RETURN COMPLETED

DISCLOSURE TO:

TOWANDA BOROUGH

Attn: LAUREN EGLESTON, PLAN ADMINISTRATOR

724 MAIN STREET

PO BOX 229

TOWANDA, PA 18848

570-268-9204

lauren@towandaborough.org

REQUIRED UPDATES:

Where noted, information in this form must be updated in writing as changes occur.

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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: A subsidiary or holding company of a lobbying firm or other business entity owned in whole or in part by a lobbying firm. 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.
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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. Example: the Police Pension Plan for the Borough of Winchesterville
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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:

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1.	Municipality's pension plan(s) is subcontractors of the Contractor,	dentifi identi	led above. Also include fying them as such. Aft	the nater each	essional services to the Requesting ames and titles of <u>any advisors and</u> h name provide a description of the being provided to each designated
	See attached Trustee and Service	e Pro	vider listing.		
2.	Please list the name and title of disclosure; after each name, include				utive-level Employee(s) that require See: Definitions)
	N/A				
→	Requesting Municipality?				former official or employee of the with the municipality, and dates of
	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

- 6. Since December 17th 2009, has the *Contractor*, or any agent, officer, director or employee of the *Contractor* solicited a contribution to any municipal officer 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. Since December 17th, 2009: 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 identified on the *List of Municipal Officials*, of the Requesting Municipality?

NO

IF "YES", identify the individual with whom the relationship exists and give a detailed description of that relationship.

<u>NOTE:</u> 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.

A number of the individuals on the list of Municipal Officials have relationships with the Contractor on the retail side of the business. These retail relationships in no way influence or affect any decision made in regard to the Police Pension Plan.

- 9. Has the *Contractor* or an *Affiliated Entity* given any gifts having more than a nominal value to any official, employee or fiduciary specifically, those on the *List of Municipal Officials* 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

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 - 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, \underline{OR}
 - 2. The aggregate of all contributions all persons in (b.) above;
 - d) The contribution was for
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NO

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?**

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- Providing a brief synopsis of the conflict of interest (and);
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- F "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

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.

NO

Please provide the name(s) and position(s) of the person(s) participating in the completion of this Disclosure. One of the individuals identified by the *Contractor* in *Item #1* above <u>must participate</u> in completing this Disclosure and must sign the below verification attesting to the participation of those individuals named below.

Name: Kenneth Stilwell

Position: Executive Administrator

Name:

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SIGNATURE

EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATOR

TITLE

DATE

VERIFICATION

I, Kenneth R. Stilwell, hereby state that I am Executive Administrator for (Name)

New York State Teamsters Conference Pension & Retirement Fund, and I am authorized (Contractor)

to make this verification. I hereby verify that the facts set forth in the foregoing Act 44

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Pension System 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

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.

the responding Contractor to the penalties in Section 705-A(e) of Act 44.

Signature

Date

2021 TRUSTEES

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List of Municipal Officials for the Requesting Municipality

Certain requests for information in this form will refer to a "List of Municipal Officials."

To assist you in preparing your answers, you should consider the following names to be a complete list of pension system and municipal officials and employees. Throughout this Disclosure Form, the below names will be referred to as the "List of Municipal Officials."

Garrett Miller – Mayor
Mark Christini – Borough Council President / Police Pension Committee
Ryan Eberlin – Borough Council Vice-President / Police Pension Committee
James B. Lacek – Borough Council / Police Committee
Michelle Hatch – Borough Council
Jean Miller – Borough Council / Police Pension Committee
Gary Parks - Borough Council Member
William Kovalcin - Borough Council Member
William Roof - Borough Council Member
Jonathan Schulze – Borough Council Member
Kara Eberlin – Borough Tax Collector
Fred N. Smith, Esq. – Borough Solicitor

APPOINTED OFFICIALS OR EMPLOYEES

Lauren Egleston – Borough Manager / CAO Non-Uniform Plan / CAO Police Plan Diane M. Kulick – Borough Secretary / Treasurer Randy Epler – Borough Chief of Police

PENSION COMMITTEE

Mark Christini – Police Pension Committee Jean Miller – Police Pension Committee Ryan Eberlin – Police Pension Committee

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	Jerry Witt – acting solely in his c	apaci	ty as Client Service Man	ager v	vith Principal Life	
2.	Please list the name and title of disclosure; after each name, includ					e
	N/A					
→	Are any of the individuals named i Requesting Municipality? IF "YES", provide the name and employment.					
	No					
\rightarrow	Are any of the individuals named lobbyist? IF "YES", provide the name of the late of their most recent registration	indiv	idual, specify whether the		-	е
	No					

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No

- 6. Since December 17th 2009, has the *Contractor*, or any agent, officer, director or employee of the *Contractor* solicited a contribution to any municipal officer or candidate for municipal office in the **Requesting Municipality**, or to the political party or political action committee of that official or candidate?
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No

- **10.** Disclosure of contributions to any political entity in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania **Applicability:** A "yes" response <u>is required</u> and full disclosure is required **ONLY WHEN ALL** of the following applies:
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N/A

Please provide the name(s) and position(s) of the person(s) participating in the completion of this Disclosure. One of the individuals identified by the Contractor in Item #1 above must participate in completing this Disclosure and must sign the below verification attesting to the participation of those individuals named below.

Name: Jerry Witt

Position: Client Service Manager

SIGNATURE

CLIENT SERVICE MANAGER

TITLE

11/9/2021

VERIFICATION

I, <u>Jerry Witt</u>, hereby state that I am <u>Client Service Manager</u> for (Name)

<u>Principal Life Insurance Company</u> and I am authorized to make this verification. (Contractor)

I hereby verify that the facts set forth in the foregoing Act 44 Disclosure Form for Entities Providing Professional Services to <u>TOWANDA BOROUGH</u> Pension System 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.

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Signature 11/09/2021

Date

Conrad Siegel

September 27, 2021

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 2021 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,

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

Encl.



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AFFILIATED ENTITY	 Any of the following: A subsidiary or holding company of a lobbying firm or other business entity owned in whole or in part by a lobbying firm. 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: 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 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.

Ashley A. Wise Brian N. Graff Casey B. Krady Charles A. Eberlin Daniel S. Hollinger David H. Killick Elizabeth N. Goodhart Emily Horne Emily N. McHenry

J. Scott Gehman
Jeffrey S. Myers
John D. McGlynn
John D. Vargo
Jonathan D. Cramer
Krista A. Mamet
Laura V. Hess
Laura D. Hrebenak

Madison L. Martin Mackenzie N. Garner Neeraj K. Tatikola Rachel Kye Raymond Lu 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 <u>as changes occur.</u>

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 Towarda 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.

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	Signature
9/27/2021	
400 to 1238	Date

ACT 44 DISCLOSURE FORM FOR ENTITIES PROVIDING

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO THE

TOWANDA BOROUGH'S 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 of the pension

funds of TOWANDA BOROUGH (hereinafter the "Requesting Municipality"). Act 44 disclosure

requirements apply to *Contactors* who provide professional pension services and receive payment of any

kind from the Requesting Municipality's pension fund. The Requesting Municipality has determined

that your company falls under the requirements of Act 44 and must complete this disclosure form. You

are expected to submit this completed form, to the Requesting Municipality below, by December 1, 2021.

If, for any reason you believe that Act 44 does not require you to complete this disclosure form, please

provide a written explanation of your reason(s) by November 15, 2021.

RETURN COMPLETED

DISCLOSURE TO:

TOWANDA BOROUGH

Attn: LAUREN EGLESTON, PLAN ADMINISTRATOR

724 MAIN STREET

PO BOX 229

TOWANDA, PA 18848

570-265-9204

lauren@towandaborough.org

REQUIRED UPDATES:

Where noted, information in this form must be updated in writing as changes occur.

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DEFINITIONS FOR DISCLOSURE

TERM:	DEFINITION:«
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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.
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EXECUTIVE LEVEL EMPLOYEE	 Any employee or person or the person's affiliated entity who: 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 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. Example: the Police Pension Plan for the Borough of Winchesterville
MUNICIPAL PENSION SYSTEM OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES; MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES	Specifically, those listed in Table 2 titled: "List of Pension System and Municipal Officials and Employees" on the next page. Where applicable, includes any employee of the Requesting Municipality.
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:

Iden	tify the Municipal Pension Systen	ı(s) fo	r which	h you are	providin	g infor	mation:	
Indic	ate all that apply with an "X":		ا ا	- Uniforn Plan	n Plan	Х	Police Plan	
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1.	Please provide the names and ti Municipality's pension plan(s) i subcontractors of the Contractor, responsibilities of that person wi pension plan.	dentifi identi	ed abor	ve. Also	include	the namer cach	mes and titles name provide	of any advisors and a description of the
	Larry D. Alderson – Investment Management Executive – Citize		•	_	nent Serv	vices –	SVP, Regional	l Wealth
	Lori B. Brown - Investment Adv Northern Bank	visory	& Man	nagement	Services	– AVI	? & Trust Offi	cer – Citizens &
2.	Please list the name and title of disclosure; after each name, include							
	N/A							
	Are any of the individuals named Requesting Municipality? IF "YES", provide the name and employment.							
	No							
4.	Are any of the individuals named	in Ite	m 1 or	Item 2 a	above a ci	urrent o	or former regist	tered Federal or State

No

date of their most recent registration /renewal.

IF "YES", provide the name of the individual, specify whether they are a state or federal lobbyist, and the

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.
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No

- 6. Since December 17th 2009, has the *Contractor*, or any agent, officer, director or employee of the *Contractor* solicited a contribution to any municipal officer 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. Since December 17th, 2009: 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 identified on the *List of Municipal Officials*, of the Requesting Municipality?

YES

- IF "YES", identify the individual with whom the relationship exists and give a detailed description of that relationship.
 - **NOTE: 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.

A number of individuals on the list of Municipal Officials have relationships with the Contractor on the retail side of the business. These retail relationships in no way influence or affect any decision made in regard to the Police Pension Plan.

- 9. Has the *Contractor* or an *Affiliated Entity* given any gifts having more than a nominal value to any official, employee or fiduciary specifically, those on the *List of Municipal Officials* 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 <u>is required</u> and full disclosure is required <u>ONLY WHEN ALL</u> of the following applies:
 - a) The contribution was made within the last 5 years (specifically since: December 18th 2004)
 - 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.

N/A

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?**

<u>NOTE:</u> 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

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.

N/A

Please provide the name(s) and position(s) of the person(s) participating in the completion of this Disclosure. One of the individuals identified by the *Contractor* in *Item #1* above <u>must participate</u> in completing this Disclosure and must sign the below verification attesting to the participation of those individuals named below.

Name: Larry D. Alderson

Position: SVP, Regional Wealth Management Executive

Name: Lori B. Brown

Position: AVP & Trust Officer

SIGNATURE

AUP + TO

TITLE

11/4/2021

DATE

VERIFICATION

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Citizens & Northern Bank, and I am authorized to make this verification. (Contractor)

I hereby verify that the facts set forth in the foregoing Act 44 Disclosure Form for Entities Providing Professional Services to **TOWANDA BOROUGH** Police Pension System 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

11/4/2021

Date