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BEGA Discontinuing Lobbyists Fine Grace Period

Starting on April 1, 2024, BEGA will no longer allow a grace period for late registrations or activity reporting. The grace period extended through the pandemic will now be discontinued. Accordingly, all registered lobbyists and clients must timely file all registration forms and activity reports or face a \$10 penalty for each day the filing is late, up to \$300. Fines will now accrue and be imposed after each statutory deadline. For example, activity reports for 2024 Quarter 1 are due on April 15, 2024, any activity report filed on April 16, 2024 or after, will receive a \$10/day late penalty. If you would like more information regarding this, please email bega.lobby@dc.gov.