

U.S. Department of Justice

Washington, DC 20530

**Amendment to Registration Statement
Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of
1938, as amended**

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1. Name of Registrant

Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP

2. Registration No.

3492

3. This amendment is filed to accomplish the following indicated purpose or purposes:

To give a 10-day notice of change in information as required by Section 2(b) of the Act.

To correct a deficiency in

Initial Statement

Supplemental Statement for the period ending _____

Other purpose (*specify*) _____

To give notice of change in an exhibit previously filed.

4. If this amendment requires the filing of a document or documents, please list:

Contractual agreement with the Embassy of Japan.

5. Each item checked above must be explained below in full detail together with, where appropriate, specific reference to and identity of the item in the registration statement to which it pertains. (*If space is insufficient, a full insert page must be used.*)

Exhibit B to reflect new agreement.

EXECUTION

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, the undersigned swear(s) or affirm(s) under penalty of perjury that he/she has (they have) read the information set forth in this registration statement and the attached exhibits and that he/she is (they are) familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her (their) knowledge and belief, except that the undersigned make(s) no representation as to the truth or accuracy of the information contained in the attached Short Form Registration Statement(s), if any, insofar as such information is not within his/her (their) personal knowledge.

(Date of signature)

(Print or type name under each signature or provide electronic signature¹)

September 28, 2016

/s/ Melissa Laurenza

eSigned

¹ This statement shall be signed by the individual agent, if the registrant is an individual, or by a majority of those partners, officers, directors or persons performing similar functions, if the registrant is an organization, except that the organization can, by power of attorney, authorize one or more individuals to execute this statement on its behalf.

Contract

Mr. Takuya Sasayama, Minister and Head of Chancery at the Embassy of Japan (hereinafter referred to as A), acting on behalf of the government of Japan and in accordance with the authority vested in him, and Scott Parven (hereinafter referred to as B), have agreed as follows with respect to certain public affairs services to be provided by B:

1. B pledges to conduct public affairs program in three states of A's interests for the purpose of promoting Japan-U.S. economic ties. B also pledges to provide advice and assistance in connection with the program.
2. The period of the contract shall be from September 23, 2016 until March 31, 2017. The public affairs program in two of the three states will continue until December 31, 2016. The public affairs program in the other state will continue until March 31, 2017.
3. The fee for services shall be \$ 250,000 in total, which will be paid in three instalments by A to B. The timing and amount of the first two payments shall be determined by consultation between A and B. The remaining amount will be paid to B in the last payment, which shall be done by March 31, 2017. Prior to each payment, B shall submit an activity report to A.
4. B must not disclose any confidential information learned through association with A, neither during nor after the period of this contract, unless required to do so by law.
5. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, either A or B may cancel this contract by issuing notification 30 days in advance. In case B wishes to cancel the contract, A will stop paying the fee for service from the next month following the date of the cancellation.

In witness whereof, the parties hereto have caused this contract to be executed in duplicate originals, one original to be retained by each party.

Executed this 22 day of Spt, 2016.

Signed:

Takuya Sasayama (A)

Scott Parven (B)