

Trump Has Nominated At Least 10 Lobbyists To Serve In His Administration

Summary: Since Trump's election victory in November 2024, he has nominated at least ten individuals to posts in his administration who have served as lobbyists. They are the following:

- Longtime lobbyist **Susie Wiles** was selected to serve as Trump's Chief of Staff.
- Lobbyist **Bill McGinley** was selected by Trump to serve as Counsel to the Department Of Government Efficiency.
- Lobbyist and former Rep. **Doug Collins** was selected to serve as Secretary Of Veterans Affairs.
- Lobbyist and former Rep. **Sean Duffy** was selected to serve as Secretary Of Transportation.
- Lobbyist and former Acting Attorney General **Matthew Whitaker** was selected to serve as Ambassador to NATO.
- Lobbyist and former Florida Attorney General **Pam Bondi** was selected to serve as Attorney General.
- Lobbyist **Alex Wong** was selected to serve as Deputy National Security Advisor.
- Lobbyist and former Rep. **Pete Hoekstra** was selected to serve as Ambassador To Canada.
- Lobbyist **Jamieson Greer** was selected to serve as U.S. Trade.
- Lobbyist **James Braid** was selected to serve as Director of the Office Of Legislative Affairs.

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Trump Announced That Susie Wiles Would Be His Chief Of Staff. "President-elect Donald Trump has named Susie Wiles, the defacto manager of his victorious campaign, as his White House chief of staff, the first woman to hold the influential role." [Associated Press, [11/7/24](#)]

Susie Wiles Is A Longtime Lobbyist

Wiles Is A Longtime Lobbyist And Did Not Sever Ties With Lobbying Firm Mercury Public Affairs Until She Was Named Chief Of Staff On November 7, 2024. “A longtime strategist and lobbyist for business interests and political campaigns, Ms. Wiles ran Mr. Trump’s campaign, and her trusted role in the new administration is already evident. She has been deeply involved in assembling Mr. Trump’s new executive office. Last week, she addressed an influential group of donors in Las Vegas, saying, among other things, that Mr. Trump planned to reinstate some of his prior executive orders that President Biden had revoked. Ms. Wiles, 67, was registered as a lobbyist until early this year. She did not sever ties with Mercury Public Affairs, where she began working in 2022, until after she was named chief of staff on Nov. 7, said two people familiar with the timing who spoke on the condition of anonymity to discuss private matters.” [New York Times, [11/21/24](#)]

Lobbyist Bill McGinley Was Selected By Trump To Serve As Counsel To The Department Of Government Efficiency

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Trump Announced That Bill McGinley Would Serve As Counsel To The Proposed Department Of Government Efficiency After Previously Being Picked To Serve As White House Counsel. “President-elect Donald Trump said Wednesday he has picked David Warrington to serve as his White House counsel and that Bill McGinley, whom Trump had previously tapped for the role, will instead serve as counsel to the Department of Government Efficiency.” [CNN, [12/4/24](#)]

Bill McGinley Has Worked As A Lobbyist

Bill McGinley Has Worked As A Lobbyist Since Leaving The First Trump White House. “McGinley joined the first Trump White House on Day 1 and served for 2 1/2 years before leaving to return to private practice. Since then, he has worked as a federally registered lobbyist alongside his legal practice. His clients have included defense contractor Vectrus, a New England fishermen’s group, and Max Schachter, a school safety advocate whose son was killed in the mass shooting at a Parkland, Florida, high school in 2018, federal filings show.” [Politico, [11/18/24](#)]

Lobbyist Doug Collins Was Selected To Serve As Secretary Of Veterans Affairs

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Trump Announced That Doug Collins Would Serve As His Secretary Of Veterans Affairs. “Former Rep. Doug Collins of Georgia, a key defender of President-elect Donald Trump during his first impeachment proceedings, has been nominated to be the secretary for veterans affairs.” [NPR, [11/14/24](#)]

Doug Collins Is A Former Lobbyist

Doug Collins Has Worked As A Lobbyist For Dogwood Strategies Inc.

REGISTRANT Organization/Lobbying Firm Self Employed Individual

3. Registrant Organization Dogwood Strategies Inc.

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4. Principal place of business (if different than line 3)
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5. Contact name and telephone number
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6. General description of registrant's business or activities
public policy consulting

CLIENT A Lobbying Firm is required to file a separate registration for each client. Organizations employing in-house lobbyists should check the box labeled "Self" and proceed to line 10. Self

7. Client name Justice Action Network
 Address 444 North Capitol Street NW Suite 200
 City Washington State DC Zip 20001 Country USA

8. Principal place of business (if different than line 7)
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Country _____

9. General description of client's business or activities
Justice Action Network, a non profit, seeks to pass bipartisan criminal justice reforms.

LOBBYISTS

10. Name of each individual who has acted or is expected to act as a lobbyist for the client identified on line 7. If any person listed in this section has served as a "covered executive branch official" or "covered legislative branch official" within twenty years of first acting as a lobbyist for the client, *state the executive and/or legislative position(s) in which the person served.*

Name			Covered Official Position (if applicable)
First	Last	Suffix	
Douglas	Collins		Congressman Georgia-09 (2013-2021)

[Lobbying Disclosure, United States Senate, [1/17/23](#)]

Lobbyist Sean Duffy Was Selected To Serve As Secretary Of Transportation

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Trump Announced That Sean Duffy Would Serve As His Secretary Of Transportation. "President-elect Donald Trump on Monday named former congressman and Fox Business host Sean Duffy as his pick for transportation secretary in the next administration." [NBC News, [11/18/24](#)]

Sean Duffy Has Worked As A Lobbyist

Duffy Has Worked As A Lobbyist At BGR Group. "President-elect Donald Trump last night named Sean Duffy, the former Wisconsin congressman and lobbyist at BGR Group, as his pick to lead the Transportation Department. ... Duffy has been the co-host of the Fox Business show "The Bottom Line" since 2023, and until Trump's announcement came out yesterday he had also been a member of the advisory board at BGR Group, the lobbying firm Duffy joined after leaving Congress in 2019." [Politico, [11/19/24](#)]

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Trump Announced That Matthew Whitaker Would Serve As His Ambassador to NATO. "Donald Trump said Wednesday that he has chosen former acting Attorney General Matt Whitaker to serve as U.S. ambassador to NATO, the bedrock Western alliance that the president-elect has expressed skepticism about for years." [Associated Press, [11/20/24](#)]

Matthew Whitaker Has Worked As A Lobbyist

Whitaker Ran And Was Registered To Lobby For Whitaker Strategy Group.

REGISTRANT Organization/Lobbying Firm Self Employed Individual

3. Registrant Organization Whitaker Strategy Group

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 City Des Moines State IA Zip 50309 Country USA

4. Principal place of business (if different than line 3)
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Country _____

5. Contact name and telephone number
 Contact Mr. Craig Schoenfeld Telephone 515718921 E-mail craig@whitakerstrategygroup.com

6. General description of registrant's business or activities
consulting firm

CLIENT *Lobbying Firm is required to file a separate registration for each client. Organizations employing in-house lobbyists should check the box labeled "Self" and proceed to line 10. ... Self*

7. Client name The Pew Charitable Trusts
 Address 901 E Street NW, 10th Floor
 City Washington State DC Zip 20004 Country USA

8. Principal place of business (if different than line 7)
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Country _____

9. General description of client's business or activities
solving today's most challenging problems applying rigorous, analytical approach

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Craig	Schoenfeld		
Matthew	Whitaker		

[Lobbying Disclosure, United States Senate, [5/2/13](#), see also: The Gazette, [5/31/13](#)]

Lobbyist Pam Bondi Was Selected To Serve As Attorney General

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Trump Announced That Pam Bondi Would Serve As His Attorney General. "President-elect Donald Trump said Thursday he will nominate former Florida Attorney General Pam Bondi to lead the Justice Department, turning to a longtime ally after his first choice, Matt Gaetz, withdrew his name from consideration amid scrutiny over sex trafficking allegations." [Associated Press, [11/22/24](#)]

Pam Bondi Has Worked As A Lobbyist

Bondi Worked As A Lobbyist For A "Powerhouse Republican Firm, For Which She Represented Major Corporations And Foreign Governments." "President-elect Donald J. Trump's pick to be attorney general, Pam Bondi, is a lobbyist for a powerhouse Republican firm, for which she represented major corporations and foreign governments with interests before the U.S. government. Ms. Bondi joined the lobbying firm of the Republican fund-raiser Brian Ballard after finishing her second term as Florida attorney general in January 2019." [New York Times, [11/21/24](#)]

Lobbyist Alex Wong Was Selected To Serve As Deputy National Security Advisor

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Trump Announced That Alex Wong Would Serve As Principal Deputy National Security Advisor. "U.S. President-elect Donald Trump said on Friday that he has choosing former State Department official Alex Wong to serve as deputy national security adviser.

Wong, who served as deputy special representative for North Korea during the first Trump administration, ‘helped negotiate my Summit with North Korean Leader, Kim Jong Un,’ Trump said in a statement.” [Reuters, [11/22/24](#)]

Alex Wong Has Worked As A Lobbyist

Alex Wong Worked As A Lobbyist For E-Commerce Company Coupang.

1. Registrant Name <input type="checkbox"/> Organization/Lobbying Firm <input type="checkbox"/> Self Employed Individual COUPANG, INC.	
2. Address Address1 720 Olive Way City Seattle State WA Zip Code 98101 Country USA	Address2 Suite 600 Zip Code 98101 Country USA
3. Principal place of business (if different than line 2) City Seoul State Zip Code 05510 Country KOR	
4a. Contact Name Mr. Alex Wong b. Telephone Number 2013104314 c. E-mail alwong@coupang.com	5. Senate ID# 401106168-12
7. Client Name COUPANG, INC. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self <input type="checkbox"/> Check if client is a state or local government or instrumentality	6. House ID# 452470001
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Signature Digitally Signed By: Alex Wong	Date 4/19/2022 1:59:31 PM

LOBBYING ACTIVITY. Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each code, provide information as requested. Add additional page(s) as needed.

15. General issue area code ECN

16. Specific lobbying issues

Encouragement of expanded small- and medium-sized enterprise (SME) participation in Coupang's platform (no specific legislation). Discussion of job creation and sustainability gains made possible by Coupang's business model and innovation (no specific legislation).

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies Check if None

Commerce - Dept of (DOC), U.S. Trade Representative (USTR), U.S. SENATE

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

First Name Alex	Last Name Wong	Suffix	Covered Official Position (if applicable) Deputy Assistant Secretary of State; Foreign Policy Advisor & General Counsel to U.S. Senator	New <input type="checkbox"/>
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[Lobbying Disclosure, United States Senate, [4/19/22](#), see also: Coupang, [8/26/21](#)]

Lobbyist Pete Hoekstra Was Selected To Serve As Ambassador To Canada

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Trump Announced That Pete Hoekstra Would Serve As His Ambassador To Canada.

“Donald Trump wants to give former Rep. Pete Hoekstra another turn as a diplomat. Trump announced Wednesday that Hoekstra, who served as ambassador to the Netherlands during his first administration, is his pick for ambassador to Canada for his second.” [Politico, [11/20/24](#)]

Pete Hoekstra Has Worked As A Lobbyist

Pete Hoekstra Worked As A Lobbyist For Greenberg Traurig And Dickstein Shapiro After Leaving Congress In 2011.

“Hoekstra, who chaired the House Intelligence Committee from 2004 to 2007, has been floated repeatedly over the past week as a potential CIA chief. But his lobbying record is extensive; he worked as a lobbyist for Greenberg Traurig and Dickstein Shapiro after leaving Congress in 2011, and then struck out on his own this year. The Michigan Republican, who served 18 years in the House and unsuccessfully pursued both the Michigan governorship and a Senate seat, currently heads Hoekstra Global Strategies, whose clients include Oregon-based manufacturer Columbia Helicopters and Michigan-based oil production outfit Core Energy, according to lobbying disclosure reports. In 2016, his company reported

\$68,500 in income from the two companies. In his work before that, at Greenberg Traurig and Dickstein Shapiro, Hoekstra lobbied on behalf of multiple domestic corporations, including coal giant Peabody Energy and tobacco company Lorillard Inc., as the latter went through a \$27.4 billion merger with Reynolds American.” [Politico, [11/16/16](#)]

Lobbyist Jamieson Greer Was Selected To Serve As U.S. Trade Representative

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Trump Announced That Jamieson Greer Would Serve As His U.S. Trade Representative. “President-elect Donald Trump announced Jamieson Greer as his pick to serve as the next US trade representative. Greer is no stranger to the role, having served as chief of staff to Robert Lighthizer, the trade representative during Trump’s first term. At the time, the administration implemented across-the-board tariffs on China and other countries, as well as signed onto the US-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA).” [CNN, [11/26/24](#)]

Jamieson Greer Has Worked As A Lobbyist

Greer Has Worked As A Lobbyist For The Firm King & Spalding LLP.

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6. General description of registrant's business or activities
Law Firm

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7. Client name Webuild - US Holdings Inc.
 Address 90 Fieldstone Court
 City Cheshire State CT Zip 06410 Country USA

8. Principal place of business (if different than line 7)
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Country _____

9. General description of client's business or activities
Construction

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First	Last	Suffix	
Thomas J.	Spulak		
Jamieson L.	Greer		Chief of Staff to the U.S. Trade Representative

[Lobbying Disclosure, United States Senate, [11/14/22](#)]

Lobbyist James Braid Was Selected To Serve As Director Of The Office Of Legislative Affairs

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Trump Announced That James Braid Would Serve As His Director Of The Office of Legislative Affairs. “President-elect Trump announced Monday that James Braid will be the next director of the Office of Legislative Affairs — a key role between Congress and the White House.” [Axios, [11/25/24](#)]

James Braid Has Worked As A Lobbyist

James Braid Has Worked As A Lobbyist For Heritage Action For America.

1. Registrant Name <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Organization/Lobbying Firm <input type="checkbox"/> Self Employed Individual Heritage Action for America			
2. Address Address1 214 Massachusetts Ave. NE, Suite 400 Address2 City Washington State DC Zip Code 20002 Country USA			
3. Principal place of business (if different than line 2) City State Zip Code Country			
4a. Contact Name Mr. Tim Chapman	b. Telephone Number 2025485285	c. E-mail blawless@wardlawless.com	5. Senate ID# 400609853-12
7. Client Name Heritage Action for America <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self <input type="checkbox"/> Check if client is a state or local government or instrumentality			6. House ID# 413270000
U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U.S. SENATE			
18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area			
First Name	Last Name	Suffix	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Jason	Raworske		
James	Braid	none	

[Lobbying Disclosure, United States Senate, [10/20/15](#)]