ADVISORY NO. 33

TOPIC: LOBBYIST REGISTRATION/ETHICS BILL

We are attaching the rules of the Texas Ethics Commission adopted on an emergency basis and published in the January 17, 1992 edition of the TEXAS REGISTER.

This advisory supersedes our December 3, 1991, advisory which provided copies of the PROPOSED rules. These are the ADOPTED rules that are effective as of January 13, 1992.

Under these rules, neither the insurance company nor the insurance company employees are required to register as lobbyists because of routine contacts with the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission.

Note that you may also be required to register under the provisions of the Insurance Code, Article 1.06D, which reads as follows:

"A person must register with the secretary of state [Ethics Commission] . . .if the person represents a client before the [State Department of Insurance], or any board, committee, or other body appointed by the [State Department of Insurance], more than twice during any calendar year."

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