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LOBBYING REGISTRATION

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 4)

Check if this is an Amended Registration

1. Effective Date of Registration May 1, 2002

2. House Identification Number _____

Senate Identification Number _____

REGISTRANT

3. Registrant name Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, L.L.P.
 Address 1333 New Hampshire Avenue, NW
 City Washington State DC Zip 20004
4. Principal place of business (if different from line 3)
 City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____
5. Telephone number and contact name
 (202) 887-4000 Contact Susan H. Lent E-mail (optional) _____
6. General description of registrant's business or activities
A law firm

CLIENT

A lobbying firm is required to file a separate registration for each client. Organizations employing in-house lobbyists should check "Self" and proceed to line 10. Self

7. Client name NCS Pearson, Inc.
 Address 11000 Prairie Lakes Drive
 City Eden Prairie State MN Zip 55424
8. Principal place of business (if different from line 7)
 City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____
9. General description of client's business or activities
Global provider of applications, services and technologies for education, testing, assessment, government and cc management

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 has served as a "covered executive branch official" or "covered legislative branch official" within two years of becoming a lobbyist for the client, state the executive and/or legislative position(s) in which the person served.

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Alexander Kress	served as a volunteer special government employee, advisor on education reform legislation, 2001
Susan H. Lent	
Bill Paxon	

Registrant Name Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, L.L.P. Client Name NCS Pearson, Inc.**LOBBYING ISSUES**

11. General lobbying issue areas. Select applicable codes, listed in instructions and on reverse side of Form LD-1, page 1.

EDUTRA

12. Specific lobbying issues (current and anticipated)

Contractual and funding issues related to TSA airport screener contract; issues related to educational testing.

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS13. Is there an entity other than the client that contributes more than \$10,000 to the lobbying activities of the registrant in the period **and** in whole or in major part plans, supervises or controls the registrant's lobbying activities? No ⇒ Go to line 14. Yes ↓ Complete the rest of this section for entities Matching the criteria above, then provide

Name	Address	Principal place of business (city and state or country)

FOREIGN ENTITIES

14. Is there any foreign entity that:

- a) holds at least 20% equitable ownership in the client or in any organization identified on line 13; **or**
 b) directly or indirectly, in whole or in major part, plans, supervises, controls, directs, finances or supports the lobbying activities of the client or any organization identified on line 13; **or**
 c) is an affiliate of the client or any organization identified on line 13 and has a direct interest in the the lobbying activity?

 No ⇒ Sign and date the registration. Yes ↓ Complete the rest of this section for entities Matching the criteria above, then sign and date the Registration.

Name	Address	Principal place of business (city and state or country)	Amount of contribution for lobbying activities
Pearson PLC	3 Burlington Gardens London W153EP UK	London, UK	-0-

Signature

Susan H. LentDate May 23, 2002Printed Name and Title Susan H. Lent, Partner

