AMENDMENT

U.S. Department of Justice
Washington, DC 20530

Short-Form Registration Statement

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

OMB NO. 1124-0005

Each partner, officer, director, associate, employee, and agent of a registrant is required to file a short form registration statement unless he engages in no activities in furtherance of the interests of the registrant's foreign principal or unless the services he renders to the registrant are in a secretarial, clerical, or in a related or similar capacity.

Privacy Act Statement. The filing of this document is required by the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, 22 U.S.C. § 611 *et seq.*, for the purposes of registration under the Act and public disclosure. Provision of the information requested is mandatory, and failure to provide this information is subject to the penalty and enforcement provisions established in Section 8 of the Act. Every registration statement, short form registration statement, exhibit, amendment, copy of informational materials or other document or information filed with the Attorney General under this Act is a public record open to public examination, inspection and copying during the posted business hours of the Registration Unit in Washington, DC. Statements are also available online at the Registration Unit's webpage: http://www.fara.gov/. One copy of every such document, other than informational materials, is automatically provided to the Secretary of State pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act, and copies of any and all documents are routinely made available to other agencies, departments and Congress pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Act. The Attorney General also transmits a semi-annual report to Congress on the Administration of the Act which lists the names of all agents registered under the Act and the foreign principals they represent. This report is available to the public in print and online at: http://www.fara.gov/.

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1. Name
ESTHER THOMAS SMITH

2. Registration No.
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3. Residence Address(es)
7413 OLD MAPLE SQUARE
MCCLEAN, VA 22102

4. Business Address(es)
1201 CONNECTICUT AVE NW, SUITE 500
WASHINGTON, DC 20036

5. Year of Birth 1939

Nationality US

Present Citizenship US

6. If present citizenship was not acquired by birth, indicate when, and how acquired.

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7. Occupation
PARTNER - QORVIS COMMUNICATIONS, LLC

8. What is the name and address of the primary registrant?

Name
QORVIS COMMUNICATIONS, LLC

Address
1201 CONNECTICUT AVENUE NW, SUITE 500
WASHINGTON, DC 20036

9. Indicate your connection with the primary registrant:

- ☒ partner
- ☐ director
- ☐ employee
- ☐ consultant
- ☐ officer
- ☐ associate
- ☐ agent
- ☐ subcontractor
- ☐ other (specify) _____

10. List every foreign principal to whom you will render services in support of the primary registrant.

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11. Describe separately and in detail all services which you will render to the foreign principal(s) listed in Item 10 either directly, or through the primary registrant listed in Item 8, and the date(s) of such services. (If space is insufficient, a full page insert must be used.)

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12. Do any of the above described services include political activity as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act and in the footnote below?
Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, describe separately and in detail such political activity.

13. The services described in Items 11 and 12 are to be rendered on a
☐ full time basis ☒ part time basis ☐ special basis

14. What compensation or thing of value have you received to date or will you receive for the above services?

☐ Salary: Amount $ _____ per _____ ☐ Commission at _____ % of _____

☒ Salary: Not based solely on services rendered to the foreign principal(s).

☐ Fee: Amount $ _____ ☐ Other thing of value _____

15. During the period beginning 60 days prior to the date of your obligation to register to the time of filing this statement, did you make any contributions of money or other things of value from your own funds or possessions and on your own behalf in connection with any election to political office or in connection with any primary election, convention, or caucus held to select candidates for any political office? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Amount of thing of value	Name of political organization	Name of candidate
JULY 09	$150.00	FRIENDS OF MARGI VANDERHYE	MARGI VANDERHYE
JUNE 09	$100.00	FRIENDS OF JOHN BARROW	JOHN BARROW
JULY 09	$50.00	STEVEN SHANNON FOR ATTY GENERAL	STEVEN SHANNON

EXECUTION

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, the undersigned swears or affirm(s) under penalty of perjury that he/she has read the information set forth n this registration statement and that he/she is familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

9/2/09
(Date of signature)

Allen Smith
(Signature)

Footnote: Political activity as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act means any activity which the person engaging in believes will, or that the person intends to, in any way influence any agency or official of the Government of the United States or any section of the public within the United States with reference to formulating, adopting, or changing the domestic or foreign policies of the United States or with reference to the political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.