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

INSTRUCTIONS. Furnish this exhibit for EACH foreign principal listed in an initial statement and for EACH additional foreign principal acquired subsequently. The filing of this document requires the payment of a filing fee as set forth in Rule (d)(1), 28 C.F.R. § 5.5(d)(1). Compliance is accomplished by filing an electronic Exhibit A form at https://www.fara.gov.

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, supplemental 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 FARA Unit in Washington, DC. Statements are also available online at the FARA Unit's webpage: https://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 online at: https://www.fara.gov.

Public Reporting Burden. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .22 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to Chief, FARA Unit, Counterintelligence and Export Control Section, National Security Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530; and to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

1. Name of Registrant
Fortson Blalock Turner & Germany

2. Registration Number
7801

3. Primary Address of Registrant
675 Ponce de Leon Ave NE, Suite 8500, Atlanta, GA 30308

4. Name of Foreign Principal
Consulate General of Japan in Atlanta

5. Address of Foreign Principal
3438 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850
Atlanta, GA 30326

6. Country/Region Represented
JAPAN

7. Indicate whether the foreign principal is one of the following:

- ☒ Government of a foreign country [1]
- ☐ Foreign political party
- ☐ Foreign or domestic organization: If either, check one of the following:
  - ☐ Partnership
  - ☐ Corporation
  - ☐ Association
  - ☐ Committee
  - ☐ Voluntary group
  - ☐ Other *(specify)* _____
- ☐ Individual-State nationality _____

8. If the foreign principal is a foreign government, state:

a) Branch or agency represented by the registrant
Consulate General of Japan in Atlanta

b) Name and title of official(s) with whom registrant engages
Wakana Arai

1 "Government of a foreign country," as defined in Section 1(e) of the Act, includes any person or group of persons exercising sovereign de facto or de jure political jurisdiction over any country, other than the United States, or over any part of such country, and includes any subdivision of any such group and any group or agency to which such sovereign de facto or de jure authority or functions are directly or indirectly delegated. Such term shall include any faction or body of insurgents within a country assuming to exercise governmental authority whether such faction or body of insurgents has or has not been recognized by the United States.

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9. If the foreign principal is a foreign political party, state:

a) Name and title of official(s) with whom registrant engages

b) Aim, mission or objective of foreign political party

10. If the foreign principal is not a foreign government or a foreign political party:

a) State the nature of the business or activity of this foreign principal.

b) Is this foreign principal:

Supervised by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes ☐ No ☐
Owned by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes ☐ No ☐
Directed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes ☐ No ☐
Controlled by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes ☐ No ☐
Financed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes ☐ No ☐
Subsidized in part by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes ☐ No ☐

11. Explain fully all items answered "Yes" in Item 10(b).

12. If the foreign principal is an organization and is not owned or controlled by a foreign government, foreign political party or other foreign principal, state who owns and controls it.

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Date	Printed Name		Signature
11/20/2026	Robert L. Fortson	Sign	/s/Robert L. Fortson
11/20/2026	C. Ryan Germany	Sign	/s/C. Ryan Germany
11/20/2026	Tully T. Blalock III	Sign	/s/Tully T. Blalock III
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Exhibit B to Registration Statement Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended

INSTRUCTIONS. A registrant must furnish as an Exhibit B copies of each written agreement and the terms and conditions of each oral agreement with his foreign principal, including all modifications of such agreements, or, where no contract exists, a full statement of all the circumstances by reason of which the registrant is acting as an agent of a foreign principal. Compliance is accomplished by filing an electronic Exhibit B form at https://www.fara.gov.

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1. Name of Registrant	2. Registration Number
Fortson Blalock Turner & Germany	7801

3. Name of Foreign Principal

Consulate General of Japan in Atlanta

Check Appropriate Box:

4. ☒ The agreement between the registrant and the above-named foreign principal is a formal written contract. If this box is checked, attach a copy of the contract to this exhibit.

5. ☐ There is no formal written contract between the registrant and the foreign principal. The agreement with the above-named foreign principal has resulted from an exchange of correspondence. If this box is checked, attach a copy of all pertinent correspondence, including a copy of any initial proposal which has been adopted by reference in such correspondence.

6. ☐ The agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal is the result of neither a formal written contract nor an exchange of correspondence between the parties. If this box is checked, give a complete description below of the terms and conditions of the oral agreement or understanding, its duration, and the fees and expenses, if any, to be received.

7. What is the date of the contract or agreement with the foreign principal? 10/01/2026

8. Describe fully the nature and method of performance of the above indicated agreement or understanding.

Registrant will provide guidance and support to the Consulate General of Japan in Atlanta regarding general public interest and relations within the Consulate's region.

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9. Describe fully the activities the registrant engages in or proposes to engage in on behalf of the above foreign principal.

Registrant will monitor federal, state, and local political and legislative news in the Consulate's region (Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina, and South Carolina) for issues of possible interest related to the foreign principal.

10. Will the activities on behalf of the above foreign principal include political activities as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act.[1]

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, describe all such political activities indicating, among other things, the relations, interests or policies to be influenced together with the means to be employed to achieve this purpose. The response must include, but not be limited to, activities involving lobbying, promotion, perception management, public relations, economic development, and preparation and dissemination of informational materials.

11. Prior to the date of registration[2] for this foreign principal has the registrant engaged in any registrable activities, including political activities, for this foreign principal?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, describe in full detail all such activities. The response should include, among other things, the relations, interests, and policies sought to be influenced and the means employed to achieve this purpose. If the registrant arranged, sponsored, or delivered speeches, lectures, social media, internet postings, or media broadcasts, give details as to dates, places of delivery, names of speakers, and subject matter. The response must also include, but not be limited to, activities involving lobbying, promotion, perception management, public relations, economic development, and preparation and dissemination of informational materials.

Set forth below a general description of the registrant's activities, including political activities.

Set forth below in the required detail the registrant's political activities.

Date	Contact	Method	Purpose

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12. During the period beginning 60 days prior to the obligation to register[3] to the date of registration for this foreign principal, has the registrant received from the foreign principal, or from any other source, for or in the interests of the foreign principal, any contributions, income, money, or thing of value either as compensation, or for disbursement, or otherwise?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, set forth below in the required detail an account of such monies or things of value.

Date Received	From Whom	Purpose	Amount/Thing of Value

13. During the period beginning 60 days prior to the obligation to register[4] to the date of registration for this foreign principal, has the registrant disbursed or expended monies, or disposed of anything of value other than money, in connection with activity on behalf of the foreign principal or transmitted monies to any such foreign principal?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, set forth below in the required detail an account of such monies or things of value.

Date	Recipient	Purpose	Amount/Thing of Value

1 "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.

2,3,4 Pursuant to Section 2(a) of the Act, an agent must register within ten days of becoming an agent, and before acting as such.

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Attorneys at Law

CONSULTING AGREEMENT

CONTRACT

Mitsuhiko Iyota, Deputy Consul-General of the Consulate-General of Japan in Atlanta (hereafter referred to as A), acting on behalf of the Government of Japan and in accordance with the authority vested in him; and Fortson, Blalock, Turner & Germany, LLC in Atlanta (hereafter referred to as B); have agreed as follows with respect to consulting services.

Article 1 – A requests B to act as consultant for A as per the attached Outline of Consulting Services, and B agrees to undertake said consultancy.

Article 2 – B is an independent contractor of A, and any commitments made between B and any other person(s) shall not bind A, except whenever A has given B special authority to do so.

Article 3 – (1) At the request of A, B shall make reports of its activities. (2) The aforementioned report shall include all activities provided in Article 1.

Article 4 – The period of this contract shall be from October 1, 2026 through March 31, 2027 (6 months).

Article 5 – The fee for service shall be $3,200 U.S. per month, totaling $19,200 U.S. for the contract period as detailed in the attached estimation. A shall pay B within 2 weeks following final business day of each month. The monthly fee for service shall not include funding for events or additional program. Any such events or additional programs and related funding shall require advance approval by A and will be subject to the terms of a separate written agreement to be concluded between A and B.

Article 6 – B shall not disclose to a third party the contents of services stipulated by A under this contract or any confidential information learned in performing the services pursuant to this contract.

Article 7 – B must act in accordance with the relevant laws and regulations set forth by the State of Georgia and the United States when pursuing its activities in accordance with this contract.

Article 8 – If A deems B to have breached this contract, A may refuse to pay a part or full amount of the contract value, or may seek return of payment.

Article 9 – No security deposit shall be required.

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Article 10 – Any matters arising out of or in connection with this contract shall be resolved through consultation between A and B.

Article 11 – Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, either party may cancel this contract by issuing notification 30 days in advance.

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

CONSULATE-GENERAL OF JAPAN IN ATLANTA

By: 伊藤 光彦

Name: Mitsuhiko Iyota
Title: Deputy Consul-General
Date: November 9, 2026

Fortson, Blalock, Turner & Germany, LLC in Atlanta

By: Lauren Greer

Name: Lauren Greer
Title: Partner
Date: NOVEMBER 9, 2026

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APPENDIX

Estimation of Payment

Month	Amount
October 2026	$3,200
November 2026	$3,200
December 2026	$3,200
January 2027	$3,200
February 2027	$3,200
March 2027	$3,200
Total	**$19,200**

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Outline of Consulting Services

Under the terms of this Agreement, B shall provide:

1. Information Summary Reporting – collecting information and data, analysis, interpreting potential implications and making specific recommendations on action items, if any. Subject matter to cover issues of importance related to the Japanese Government in the states covered by A. Deliverables to include Report as well as hard copies of documents on a monthly basis, if requested.

2. Media Releases and Position Papers – Recommendations for documents created in response to specific issues and events would be produced on an as-needed basis on behalf of A and distributed by A. Recommendations on media contacts will be provided to supplement current A lists.

3. Advice on Community/Government/Private Sector Groups and Issues – Regular counsel on Community, Government and Private Sector Groups and Issues as informal discussions. Act as mediator/influencer with these groups as appropriate and necessary. A and B will hold regular monthly meetings (2 hours maximum per meeting) on the matters related to this contract.

4. Media Commentary – When possible and appropriate, B shall use its resources to publish commentary in line with Consulate objectives in available media forums without identification of A as a sponsor.

5. Strategic Events – When appropriate, develop seminars and/or other events directed towards community, academic, and private sector groups as well as the general public to inform, educate or discuss issues as directed and approved by A. Events may be held in conjunction with other groups and organizations as sponsors. Events may call for meetings with local, regional, or national government, NGOs or private sector groups and individuals.

6. Special Reports and Alerts – Additional Reports and Alerts provided as needed on topics that would further the objectives of A as interpreted by B.

All services provided under the Agreement shall be subject to the requirements and limitations under the laws of the United States and the State of Georgia. An additional agreement and fees may be required depending on the scope of individual projects.

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