

# Wiley Updates Its Essential FARA Handbook for 2021

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Washington, DC – Wiley has updated its indispensable handbook on the Foreign Agents Registration Act (FARA) for 2021. A long-standing disclosure statute, FARA seeks to ensure that all persons engaged in certain covered activities within the United States – on behalf of foreign entities and foreign persons – properly disclose their activities to the U.S. government.

This handbook provides a general overview of FARA, such as the factors that govern whether an entity must register with the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ); the registration process; the obligations of registered agents; and the penalties that may be imposed for FARA violations.

Recent developments in FARA enforcement are addressed in the updated edition, including registrations for media outlets; heightened focus on China and U.S. technology activities; and the DOJ's new guidance, *The Scope of Agency Under FARA* (published July 2020).

Daniel B. Pickard and Tessa Capeloto, partners in Wiley's International Trade Practice, co-authored the handbook. The authors address key themes including:

- Registration requirements under FARA
- Penalties for noncompliance
- Additional indictments under FARA

Wiley has a well-established FARA practice and routinely advises a wide range of clients (including foreign governments, lobbyists, public relations firms, law firms, and tourism agencies) on whether registration is required under FARA and the requirements for

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The updated handbook can be read [here](#).

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