

## LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - **All Filers Are Required To Complete This Page**

1. Registrant Name:

**PRESTON GATES ELLIS & ROUYELAS MEEDS LLP**

2. Address:  
1735 NEW YORK AVENUE SUITE 500, WASHINGTON, DC 20006

3. Principal place of business (if different from line 2):  
Country: City: State/Zip(or Country):

4. Contact Name: TERRI PAULK  
Telephone: 202-661-3881  
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Senate ID #: 32098-696  
House ID #: 31355034

7. Client Name:  Self

**U S MARITIME COALITION**

### TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year 2006 Midyear (January 1 - June 30):  **OR** Year End (July 1 - December 31):

9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report:

10. Check if this is a Termination Report:  => Termination Date: 11. No Lobbying Activity:

### INCOME OR EXPENSES

Complete Either Line 12 **OR** Line 13

#### 12. Lobbying Firms

**INCOME** relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:

Less than \$10,000:

\$10,000 or more:  => Income (nearest \$20,000): 160,000.00

Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).

#### 13. Organizations

**EXPENSES** relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:

Less than \$10,000:

\$10,000 or more:  => Expenses (nearest \$20,000): \_\_\_\_\_

#### 14. Reporting Method.

Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.

- Method A.** Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only  
 **Method B.** Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code  
 **Method C.** Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code

Registrant Name: PRESTON GATES ELLIS & ROUVELAS MEEDS LLP Client Name: U S MARITIME COALITION

### LOBBYING ACTIVITY

Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each code, provide information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed.

15. General issue area code: MAR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Congressional Issues: HR 5681, Coast Guard Authorization Act for FY 2006. Any legislative or administrative proposal to amend or waive the maritime cabotage laws of the U.S. to allow non-U.S. built, owned, or documented vessels to transport merchandise or passengers between two U.S. ports or place or to provide maritime services in U.S. waters. CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE  
Executive Agency Issues: Inclusion of cabotage services in international trade agreements. USITC/USTR reviews of maritime cabotage services.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

Senate

House of Representatives

Department of Defense (DOD)

Department of Transportation (DOT)

Maritime Administration (Marad)

Department of Homeland Security

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

Name: BLANK, JONATHAN

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: CONNER, DARRELL

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: GEIGER, SUSAN

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: GORTON, SLADE

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: HEIMAN, BRUCE

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: MARSHALL, ROLF

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: MORSE, ROGER

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: MYHRE, WILLIAM

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: ROUVELAS, EMANUEL

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: RUGE, MARK

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: STEPHENS, DENNIS

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: THOMAS, W. DAVID

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: VALENTINE, RIC

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above. **None**

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15. General issue area code: TRD (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Inclusion of cabotage services in international trade agreements. Proposed Panama Free Trade Agreement. USITC/USTR reviews of maritime cabotage services.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

Senate  
House of Representatives  
U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC)  
Maritime Administration (Marad)  
U.S. Trade Representative (USTR)

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

Name: CONNER, DARRELL  
Covered Official Position (if applicable):  
Name: HEIMAN, BRUCE  
Covered Official Position (if applicable):  
Name: MARSHALL, ROLF  
Covered Official Position (if applicable):  
Name: RUGE, MARK  
Covered Official Position (if applicable):  
Name: THOMAS, W. DAVID  
Covered Official Position (if applicable):

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above. **None**

Signature: ON FILE Date: Aug 11, 2006

Printed Name and Title: Rolf Marshall, Partner -