

LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name:

FINSTON CONSULTING

2. Address:

3514 30TH ST NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20008

3. Principal place of business (if different from line 2):

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Senate ID #: 303212-12

House ID #: 37890000

7. Client Name: ☐ Self

AMERICAN BIOINDUSTRY ALLIANCE (ABIA)

TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year 2007 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): 40,000.00

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

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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: TRD (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Maintenance of current U.S. law and minimum international standards for intellectual property protection, including full patentability for biotechnology inventions under either existing treaties or new instruments negotiated internationally, including within the World Trade Organization, the World Intellectual Property Organization and the Convention on Biological Diversity.

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

Commerce, Dept of (DOC)

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Patent & Trademark Office (PTO)

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SENATE

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State, Dept of (DOS)

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U.S. Trade Representative (USTR)

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

Name: FINSTON, SUSAN K

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

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To encourage the Congress and Executive Branch to oppose any attempts by foreign governments to negotiate new international agreements or to amend existing intellectual property agreements in the WTO and WIPO to weaken patent protection for biotechnology inventions. To encourage the Congress and the Executive Branch to oppose the inclusion of new, additional genetic resource source disclosure requirements for the patenting of biotechnology inventions in any ABS regime negotiated in the CBD.

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Signature: ON FILE Date: Aug 13, 2007

Printed Name and Title: SUSAN KLING FINSTON - PRESIDENT