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LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name Verner, Liipfert, Bernhard, McPherson & Hand			
2. Registrant Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported Address 901 15th Street, N.W. Suite 700 City Washington State/Zip (or Country) DC 20005			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____			
4. Contact Name John H. Zentay		Telephone (202) 371-6000	E-mail (optional) jhzentay@verner.com
5. Senate ID # 39974-850			
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self Merrill Lynch & Co.		6. House ID # 30883058	

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2001 Midyear (January 1-June 30) OR Year End (July 1-Dec

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 Lobby

INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13

12. Lobbying Firms	13. Organizations
INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was: Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> >> \$ <u>\$140,000.00</u> Income (nearest \$20,000)	EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were: Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> >> \$ _____ Expenses (nearest \$20,000)
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).	14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate accounting method. See instructions for description of <input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definition <input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6032 of the Internal Revenue Code <input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code

Signature _____ Date 8/14/2001

Printed Name and Title **John H. Zentay - Shareholder**



Registrant Name: Verner, Liipfert, Bernhard, McPherson & Hand

Client Name: Merrill Lynch & Co.

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 FIN (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues
**H.R.1293, Deposit Insurance Stabilization Act,
Financial services privacy issues.
Implementation of Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act.
Deposit insurance reform.
Proposals affecting Subpart F of the Internal Revenue Code**

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
**Department of Commerce
Department of Treasury
House of Representatives
Senate**

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Bernstein, Matthew C.	
Duncan, III, Lawrence	
Eskin, Andrew D.	
Merrigan, John A.	
Minor, William H.	
Raymond, Joshua	
Regan, Karen	

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

Signature _____ Date 8/14/2001

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15. General issue area code RET (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues

**H.R.10, Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act of 2001,
H.R.1018, Economic Recovery and Growth Act of 2001,
H.R.1037, Small Employer Tax Relief Act of 2001,
H.R.12, IRA Fairness Act of 2001,
S.742, Retirement Security and Savings Act of 2001,
Social Security reform.
IRA proposals.**

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
House of Representatives
Senate

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Bernhard, Berl	
Eskin, Andrew D.	
Freeman, Rosemary B.	
Hand, Lloyd N.	
Hawley, Noelle M.	
Meister, Brenda G.	
Merrigan, John A.	

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Signature _____ Date 8/14/2001

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Client Name: **Merrill Lynch & Co.**

Item	Description	Data
18a	Lobbyist Name	Migdail, Evan M.
18b	Covered Official Position	
18c	New Lobbyist	Yes
18a	Lobbyist Name	Phillips, Steven R.
18b	Covered Official Position	
18c	New Lobbyist	No



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Client Name: Merrill Lynch & Co.

Information Update Page - Complete ONLY where registration information has changed.

20. Client new address

21. Client new principal place of business (if different from line 20)

City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____

22. New general description of client's business or activities

LOBBYIST UPDATE

23. Name of each previously reported individual who is **no longer** expected to act as a lobbyist for the client
Zentay, John H.
Mendelsohn, Martin
Hickie, Jane
Richards, Ann

ISSUE UPDATE

24. General lobbying issues previously reported that **no longer** pertain
BAN

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

25. Add the following affiliated organization(s)

Name	Address	Principal Place of Business (city and state or country)


26. Name of each previously reported organization that is **no longer** affiliated with the registrant or client

FOREIGN ENTITIES

27. Add the following foreign entities

Name	Address	Principal Place of Business (city and state or country)	Amount of contribution for lobbying activities

28. Name of each previously reported foreign entity that **no longer** owns, or controls, or is affiliated with the registrant or affiliated organization

Signature  Date 8/14/2001



Registrant Name: Verner, Liipfert, Bernhard, McPherson & Hand

Client Name: Merrill Lynch & Co.

Item	Description	Data
23	Lobbyist Update	Sidman, Lawrence R.
23	Lobbyist Update	Blanchard, James J.
23	Lobbyist Update	White, Lisa McHenry
23	Lobbyist Update	Krasow, Cristina L.
23	Lobbyist Update	Sharma, Kapil

