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LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name The Smith-Free Group			
2. Registrant Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported Address 1401 K Street NW 12th Floor City Washington State/Zip (or Country) DC 20005-3401 USA			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____			
4. Contact Name Telephone E-mail (optional) Robina Spruill-Lynch 202-393-4760 rlynch@smithfree.com			5. Senate ID # 35800-125
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self Northwestern Mutual Life Ins. Co.			6. House ID # 30770004

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2004 Midyear (January 1-June 30) OR Year End (July 1-De

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
<p>INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> >> \$ <u>\$280,000.00</u> Income (nearest \$20,000)</p> <p>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).</p>	<p>EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> >> \$ _____ Expenses (nearest \$20,000)</p> <p>14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate accounting method. See instructions for description of</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA defini</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 603 the Internal Revenue Code</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162 Internal Revenue Code</p>

Signature _____

Date _____

Signature _____

Printed Name and Title Alicia W. Smith - Senior VP & Corp. Secretary P:

Registrant Name: The Smith-Free Group

Client Name: Northwestern Mutual Life Ins. 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
Issues relating to optional federal charter for insurance companies.

- 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)
Dumont, Sarah	
Smith, James E.	

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

Signature _____

Date _____

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

16. Specific Lobbying issues

**HR 808, Life Insurance Tax Simplification Act of 2003,
All other legislation involving repeal and/or suspension of section 809 of the Internal Revenue Code.
Legislation pertaining to company-owned life insurance (COLI)**

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted
**U.S. Senate
House of Representatives**

Check if None

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