

## LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name:

### GROOM LAW GROUP

2. Address:

1701 PENNSYLVANIA AVE NW #1200, WASHINGTON, DC 20006

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

4. Contact Name: BELKIS CUETO

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Senate ID #: 17000-327

House ID #: 31350027

7. Client Name:  Self

### AMERICAN BENEFITS COUNCIL

## TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year 2003 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): 20,000.00

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: HCR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Health issues include medical liability legislation (H.R.5, S.11); and retiree health savings account proposals (H.R.1). Contacts with executive branch include contact with Treasury Department on Rev. Ruling re: health reimbursement accounts.

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
SENATE

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

Name: BREYFOGLE, JON W.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: WINTERS, BRIGEN

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: RET (one per page)

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Tax and employee benefits issues, including legislation on nonqualified deferred compensation legislation (H.R. 2896; The National Employee Savings and Trust Equity Guarantee Act).

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Signature: ON FILE Date: Feb 13, 2004

Printed Name and Title: BELKIS CUETO - LEGAL SECRETARY