

LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name The Advocacy Group			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported 1350 I Street, N.W. Suite 680 Washington, D.C. 20005			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City: N/A State/Zip (or Country)			
4. Contact Name George A. Ramonas	Telephone 202/393-4841	E-mail (optional)	5. Senate ID # 261-342
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self US Surgical Corporation			6. House ID # 30018022

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2000 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	
<p>12. Lobbying Firms</p> <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 type="checkbox"/> => \$ <u>40,000</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>13. Organizations</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 expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code</p>

Signature _____

Printed Name and Title Caroline V. de Munnick, Manager for George A. Ramonas

Registrant Name The Advocacy Group Client Name _____

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 HCR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

FDA regulation regarding the re-use of single use devices
Agriculture Appropriations bill
HR 3148 Reprocessed Single Use Medical Device Patient Safety Amendments
Implementation of FDAMA
HR 2356 Medicare Patient Appeals Act of 1999

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

US House of Representatives
US Senate
Food & Drug Administration

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
Robert J. Dotchin		<input type="checkbox"/>
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19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above Check if None

Signature  Date 8/14/2000

Printed Name and Title C. V. de Munnick for George A. Ramonas

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

16. Specific lobbying issues

HR 4395 Medicare Access to Technology Act
 HR 4680 Medicare Rx 2000 Act
 HCEA's reimbursement and coverage policies for Medicare programs

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

US House of Representatives
 US Senate
 Health Care Finance Agency

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

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Robert J. Dotchin		<input type="checkbox"/>
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15. General issue area code TAX (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

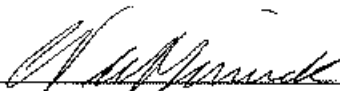
No specific issues for this period.

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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

George A. Ramonas

ISSUE UPDATE

24. General lobbying issues previously reported that no longer pertain

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	Ownership percentage in client

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

Signature _____ Date _____

Printed Name and Title _____