

LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name:

DISTILLED SPIRITS COUNCIL OF THE U.S., INC.

2. Address:

1250 EYE STREET, N.W., SUITE 400, WASHINGTON, DC 20005

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

Country: City: State/Zip(or Country):

4. Contact Name: JEAN GOODING

Telephone: (202) 628-3544

E-mail (optional): jgooding@discus.org

Senate ID #: 12391-12

House ID #: 31866000

7. Client Name: ☐ Self

Distilled Spirits Council of the U.S., Inc.

TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year 2006 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): _____

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): 1,747,537.00

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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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: ADV (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Distilled spirits advertising and marketing practices H Res. 145 - TV and radio advertising/college sports programs

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

House, Senate, White House Executive Office of Domestic Policy, Department of Health & Human Services, Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Prevention of Underage Drinking, National Institute on Alcohol Abuse & Alcoholism, Department of Treasury, Federal Trade Commission

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

Name: CULVER, DAVID

Covered Official Position (if applicable): VICE PRESIDENT, OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

Name: FAMIGLIETTI, MICHELE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): VICE PRESIDENT, OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

Name: GORMAN, MARK

Covered Official Position (if applicable): SR. VICE PRESIDENT, OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

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: ALC (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Distilled spirits product information Drunk driving/transportation and underage prevention issues
 HR 864; S. 408 - STOP Underage Drinking Act S. 1436 - Campus-Based Underage Alcohol Use Reduction Act S. 1614 - Higher Education Amendments of 2005 - to reduce underage drinking HR 5647 - Departments of Labor, HHS and Education Appropriations Act, 2007 - to reduce underage drinking HR 613 - Alcohol Without Liquid Machine Safety Act - to prohibit sale of machines without premarket approval

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

House, Senate, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration, White House Executive Office of Domestic Policy, Office of National Drug Control Policy, National Highway & Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Health & Human Services, National Institute on Alcohol Abuse & Alcoholism, Department of Treasury, Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Prevention of Underage Drinking, Department of Agriculture

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

16. Specific lobbying issues:

HR 1791 - to reduce the rate of tax on distilled spirits HR 273/HR 4388/HR 4323 - to reauthorize the rum cover over provisions S. 1027/HR 3122 - to amortize unfinished goods Beverage alcohol taxes

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

House
Senate
White House
Department of Treasury

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15. General issue area code: TOR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

HR 554 - Personal Responsibility in Food Consumption Act S. 908 - Commonsense Consumption Act of 2005 S 5/HR 516 - Class Action Fairness Act HR 420 - Lawsuit Abuse Reduction Act

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

House

Senate

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15. General issue area code: TRD (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

China: product standards; Latin America: regional tariff, tax and other barriers to distilled spirits; Mexico: product standards and taxes; India: tariffs, taxes and discriminatory non-tariff barriers, including standards; Thailand: discriminatory import restrictions and excise tax regime; Central and Eastern Europe: discriminatory tariffs and non-tariff measures, product standards, and intellectual property protection; WTO: tariff and non-tariff barrier elimination for distilled spirits in agriculture, services, trade facilitation, and other market access negotiations; WTO: geographical designations for distinctive distilled spirits; sales of beverage alcohol on U.S. military bases; World Health Organization: alcohol policy; Vietnam: discriminatory restrictions and WTO accession negotiations; Free Trade Agreement negotiations: Central America, Korea, Malaysia, Southern African Customs Union, Oman, Panama, Thailand, Andean countries, and other FTA candidates; Russia: WTO accession and excise stamps; Department of Agriculture: Market Access Program; EC: distilled spirits regulations; Canada: trade actions affecting distilled spirits; UK, other countries: strip stamps; Australia: implementation of FTA

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

House; Senate; Department of Treasury; Customs and Border Protection Bureau; Tax and Trade Bureau; Department of Treasury; Office of the U.S. Trade Representative; Department of Commerce; Department of State; Department of Agriculture; Army & Air Force Exchange Service; Naval Exchange Service Command; Coast Guard Exchange Service; Marine Corps Exchange Service; Department of Health and Human Services; House, Senate, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, Department of Agriculture, Department of Commerce, White House, Department of Treasury, Customs and Border Protection Bureau

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Name: GRELL, HEATHER

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Name: LAMB, DEBORAH

Covered Official Position (if applicable): SR. VP, OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL ISSUES & TRADE

Name: LOCASCIO, CHRISTINE

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Free Trade Agreement negotiations: Central America, Thailand, Oman, and Peru; World Health Organization: alcohol policy; Mexico: product standards; U.S. Department of Agriculture: Market Access Program; China: product standards; Vietnam: WTO accession negotiations; and Canada: trade actions affecting distilled spiritssales of beverage alcohol on U.S. military bases; World Health Organization: alcohol policy; Vietnam: discriminatory restrictions and WTO accession negotiations; Free Trade Agreement negotiations: Central America, Korea, Malaysia, Southern African Customs Union, Oman, Panama, Thailand, Andean countries, and other FTA candidates; Russia: WTO accession and excise stamps; Department of Agriculture: Market Access Program; EC: distilled spirits regulations; Canada: trade actions affecting distilled spirits; UK, other countries: strip stamps; Australia: implementation of FTA

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Signature: ON FILE Date: Aug 14, 2006

Printed Name and Title: Jean Gooding, Senior Vice President, Finance and A -

Information Update Page:

Complete ONLY where registration information has changed.

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

Country: USA

LOBBYIST UPDATE

23. Name of each previously reported individual who is NO LONGER expected to act as a lobbyist for the client

Name: Coleman, Frank

ISSUE UPDATE

24. General lobbying issues previously reported that NO LONGER pertain

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

25. Add the following organization(s)

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

28. Name of each previously reported foreign entity the NO LONGER owns, OR controls, OR is affiliated with the registrant, client or affiliated organization

Signature: ON FILE Date: Aug 14, 2006

Printed Name and Title: JEAN GOODING, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT, FINANCE AND A -