

LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name:

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF TRAVEL AGENTS

2. Address:

1101 King Street Suite 200, Alexandria, VA 22314

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

4. Contact Name: BARBARA E. O'HARA

Telephone: 7037396842

E-mail (optional): bohara@astahq.com

Senate ID #: 3504-12

House ID #:

7. Client Name: ☒ Self

TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year 2007 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): 20,000.00

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

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: AVI (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

H.R. 2881 - to amend title 49, U.S. Code, to authorize appropriations for FAA, to improve air safety and capacity, etc. Testified before House Aviation Subcommittee on Aviation Consumer Issues i.e., Passenger Rights S. 678 Airline Passenger Bill of Rights - assuring airline passengers have access to necessary services while aboard grounded aircraft and have the option to deplane. H.R. 1303 Airline Passenger Bill of Rights - establishes standards for airline passenger rights. S. 1300 to amend title 49, U.S. Code, to authorize appropriations for FAA, improve air safety and capacity, etc.

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: BROWN, TIM

Covered Official Position (if applicable): MANGER, GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

Name: O'HARA, BARBARA

Covered Official Position (if applicable): V.P. GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

Name: RUDEN, PAUL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): SR. V.P. LEGAL & INDUSTRY 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: HOM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Implementation of Phase I of the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative requiring U.S. citizens to have valid passports when entering or reentering the United States by air. S. 1348 Western Hemisphere Traveler Improvement Act - burden of border crossing residents and other Americans. H.R. 1061 Protecting American Commerce and Travel Act - implementation of the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative. H.R. 1684 Department of Homeland Security Authorization Act as it pertains to Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative and Secure Flight.

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Homeland Security, Dept of (DHS)

SENATE

State, Dept of (DOS)

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

Name: O'HARA, BARBARA

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: RUDEN, PAUL

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: INS (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted: **None**

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

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: TAX (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

H.R. 2453 - prohibits future discriminatory car rental excise taxes Tax Gap Issue - closing tax loopholes of filers who are underreporting, underpaying and/or are non-filers. Independent Contractors issue as it pertains to the Tax Gap Issue. Preemption of tourism taxes.

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: O'HARA, BARBARA

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: TOU (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Investigation on the U.S. Agricultural Sales to Cuba: Certain Economic Effects of U.S. Restrictions - Cuba travel ban.

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

U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC)

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

Name: RUDEN, PAUL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): SR. V. P. LEGAL & INDUSTRY 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: TRA (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Cruise Industry Safety Issue - pending before House Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Subcommittee

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

Name: O'HARA, BARBARA

Covered Official Position (if applicable): V.P. GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

Name: RUDEN, PAUL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): SR. V.P. LEGAL & INDUSTRY AFFAIRS

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

Signature: ON FILE Date: Jul 31, 2007

Printed Name and Title: BARBARA E. O'HARA, VICE PRESIDENT GOVERNMENT AFFAI -

Information Update Page:

Complete ONLY where registration information has changed.

LOBBYIST UPDATE

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

ISSUE UPDATE

24. General lobbying issues previously reported that NO LONGER pertain

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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: Jul 31, 2007

Printed Name and Title: -