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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 Advocacy Group			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported 1350 I Street, N.W. #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 1999 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 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> → \$ <u>36,000</u> <small>Income (nearest \$20,000)</small> 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 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> → \$ _____ <small>Expenses (nearest \$20,000)</small> 14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options. <input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only <input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code <input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code

Signature _____

Printed Name and Title C. V. de Munnick, Manager / for G. Ramonas

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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 TAX (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

HR 2488 Archer Tax Relief Bill

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

US House of Representatives
US Senate

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	Yes
Robert J. Dotchin		<input type="checkbox"/>
George A. Ramonas		<input type="checkbox"/>
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		<input type="checkbox"/>

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

Signature C. V. de Munnick Date 2/14/00

Printed Name and Title C. V. de Munnick Paragon Services

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

16. Specific lobbying issues

S. 1233/HR 1906 Agriculture Appropriations bill
Hr 3148 Reprocessed Single Use Medical Device Patient
Safety Amendments
FDA's implementation of the Food & Drug Cosmetics Act

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)	Net
Robert J. Dotchin		<input type="checkbox"/>
George A. Ramonas		<input type="checkbox"/>
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15. General issue area code MM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

HR 2030 Medicare Access of Technology Act of 1999
HR 2356 Bill to amend Title XVII of the Social Security Act to improve
review procedures under Medicare programs by making those procedures.
S. 1788 Medicare, Medicaid and S-chip Adjustment Act
HR.3075 Medicare Balanced Budget Refinement Act.

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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George A. Ramonas		<input type="checkbox"/>
Robert J. Rotchin		<input type="checkbox"/>
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Signature C. V. de Munnick Date 2/14/00

Printed Name and Title C. V. de Munnick Sub Partner

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