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LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name The Smith-Free Group			
2. Registrant Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported Address 1401 K Street NW 12th Floor City Washington State/Zip (or Country) DC 20005-3401 USA			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City State/Zip (or Country)			
4. Contact Name Robina Spruill-Lynch	Telephone 202-393-4760	E-mail (optional) rlynch@smithfree.com	5. Senate ID # 35800-125
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self Northwestern Mutual Life Ins. Co.			6. House ID # 30770004

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2002 Midyear (January 1-June 30) OR Year End (July 1-D

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 Lobl

INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13

12. Lobbying Firms	13. Organizations
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> >> \$ <u>\$180,000.00</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>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 accounting method. See instructions for description</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definition</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6013 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 _____ Date _____

Registrant Name: The Smith-Free Group

Client Name: Northwestern Mutual Life Ins. Co.

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 661. Life Insurance Simplification Act of 2001

HR. 3951 Financial Services Regulatory Relief Act of 2002

S. 992. To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the provision taxing policyholder dividends of insurance companies and to repeal the policyholders surplus account provisions.

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

**U.S. Senate
Department of Treasury
House of Representatives
Office of Thrift Supervision**

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Bartlett, Doyle	
Smith, James E.	

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

Signature *James E. Smith* Date *10/27/09*

