

LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name:

PRESTON GATES ELLIS & ROUYELAS MEEDS LLP

2. Address:

1735 NEW YORK AVE NW #500, WASHINGTON, DC 20006

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

4. Contact Name: TERRI PAULK

Telephone: 202-628-1700

E-mail (optional): terrip@prestongates.com

Senate ID #: 32098-101

House ID #: 31355-004

7. Client Name: Self

BROWN FORMAN CORP

TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year 2004 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): 40,000.00

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): _____

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

Registrant Name: PRESTON GATES ELLIS & ROUVELAS MEEDS LLP Client Name: BROWN FORMAN CORP

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:

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**

Registrant Name: PRESTON GATES ELLIS & ROUVELAS MEEDS LLP Client Name: BROWN FORMAN CORP

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:

H.R. 2950, To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce the rate of tax on distilled spirits to its pre-1985 level. H.R. 4520, The American Jobs Creation Act of 2004, the base period and repatriation provisions. Monitor for any legislation affecting the Section 5010 Wine Credit.

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: COAKLEY, CHRIS

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: CONNER, DARRELL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: EVANS, MICHAEL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): CHF CNSL/SENATE FIN COMM

Name: GARVIE, PAMELA

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: GORTON, SLADE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: GORTON, SLADE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): U.S. SENATOR

Name: MEEDS, LLOYD

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: MORSE, ROGER

Covered Official Position (if applicable): LEG DIR/VAN HILLEARY

Name: MOSHER, SOL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: ONEIL, MICHAEL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: ROUVELAS, EMANUEL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: SCANLON, MICHAEL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: SEE, CHAD

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: STEPHENS, DENNIS

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: THOMAS, W. DAVID

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: VALENTINE, STEVEN

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: VALENTINE, STEVEN

Covered Official Position (if applicable): LEG DIR & GEN COUNSEL; SEN BOB SMITH

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

Registrant Name: PRESTON GATES ELLIS & ROUVELAS MEEDS LLP Client Name: BROWN FORMAN CORP

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: TOR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 1751, Class Action Fairness Act of 2003, proposed amendment to the bill's effective date to apply its reforms to pending cases where judge has not yet certified the class.

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Justice, Dept of (DOJ)

SENATE

White House Office

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

Name: COAKLEY, CHRIS

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: COOPER, STEPHEN

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: EVANS, MICHAEL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): CHF CNSL/SENATE FIN COMM

Name: GARVIE, PAMELA

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: GORTON, SLADE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: HEIMAN, BRUCE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: MARKWOOD, TRICIA

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: MEEDS, LLOYD

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: MORSE, ROGER

Covered Official Position (if applicable): LEG DIR/VAN HILLEARY

Name: ROBITAILLE, YVETTE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: ROUVELAS, EMANUEL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: SABO, MELANIE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: SCANLON, MICHAEL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: STEPHENS, DENNIS

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: THOMAS, W. DAVID

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: VALENTINE, STEVEN

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

Registrant Name: PRESTON GATES ELLIS & ROUVELAS MEEDS LLP Client Name: BROWN FORMAN CORP

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: TRD (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Made contacts on US-EU negotiations on wine-making methods and use of semi-generic terms. Made contacts on Turkey using its superior alcohol regulations to block market access for Tennessee whiskeys and bourbon.

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

Commerce, Dept of (DOC)
SENATE
State, Dept of (DOS)
U.S. Trade Representative (USTR)

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

Name: EVANS, MICHAEL
Covered Official Position (if applicable): CHF CNSL/SENATE FIN COMM
Name: GARVIE, PAMELA
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: MORSE, ROGER
Covered Official Position (if applicable): LEG DIR/VAN HILLEARY
Name: MOSHER, SOL
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: ONEIL, MICHAEL
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: PARTOYAN, CONNIE
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: ROUVELAS, EMANUEL
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: VALENTINE, STEVEN
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: WINTON, JEFF
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

Signature: ON FILE Date: Feb 14, 2005

Printed Name and Title: EMANUEL ROUVELAS - PARTNER