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## LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name <b>Verner, Lipfert, Bernhard, McPherson &amp; Hand</b>			
2. Registrant Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported Address <b>901 15th Street, N.W.</b> Suite <b>700</b> City <b>Washington</b> State/Zip (or Country) <b>DC 20005-2301</b>			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____			
4. Contact Name <b>John H. Zentay</b>	Telephone <b>(202) 371-6000</b>	E-mail (optional) <b>jhzentay@verner.com</b>	5. Senate ID # <b>39974-1270</b>
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self <b>BET Holdings II, Inc.</b>	6. House ID # <b>30883193</b>		

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	
<b>12. Lobbying Firms</b>  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>\$40,000.00</u> Income (nearest \$20,000) <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>	<b>13. Organizations</b>  EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were: Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> >> \$ _____ Expenses (nearest \$20,000) <b>14. REPORTING METHOD.</b> 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 \_\_\_\_\_ Date 8/16/99

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Registrant Name: Verner, Lipfert, Bernhard, McPherson & Hand

Client Name: BET Holdings II, Inc.

**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  
H.R. 125, Ethnic and Minority Bias Clearinghouse Act of 1999, discrimination in advertising  
H.R. 1948, Broadcasters Fairness in Advertising Act of 1999, discrimination in advertising  
Discrimination in advertising.

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

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
<u>Duncan, III, Lawrence</u>		<u>No</u>
<u>Sidman, Lawrence R.</u>		<u>No</u>

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

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Registrant Name: Verner, Lippert, Bernhard, McPherson & Hand

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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 TEC (one per page)
16. Specific Lobbying issues  
S.1228, Media Violence Labeling Act of 1999, (provisions on television violence content)  
S.1312, Telecommunications Competition Enforcement Act of 1999, (provisions on television violence content)  
S.254, Violent and Repeat Juvenile Offender Accountability and Rehabilitation Act of 1999, (provisions on television violence content)  
S.876, To amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require that the broadcast of violent video programming be limited to hours when children are not reasonably likely to comprise a substantial., (provisions on television violence content)

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

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