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LOBBYING REPORT

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

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

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	
<p align="center">12. Lobbying Firms</p> <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>320,000.00</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 align="center">13. Organizations</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 expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) 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 2/14/2000

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Registrant Name: Verner, Lippert, 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
Duncan, III, Lawrence		No
Hart, Vicki E.		Yes
Sidman, Lawrence R.		No
Wallace, Jessica A.		Yes

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

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

16. Specific Lobbying issues

H.R.3194, Making consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes, telecommunications provisions.

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.1766, Telecommunications Ownership Diversification Act of 1999,

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.,

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

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Information Update Page - Complete ONLY where registration information has changed.

20. Client new address

21. Client new principal place of business (if different from line 20)

City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____

22. New general description of client's business or activities

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 affiliated organization(s)

Name	Address	Principal Place of Business (city and state or country)

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

Name	Address	Principal Place of Business (city and state or country)	Amount of contribution for lobbying activities	Ownership % in client

28. Name of each previously reported foreign entity that **no longer** owns, or controls, or is affiliated with the registrant, client, or affiliated organization

Signature  Date 2/14/2000

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