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# LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name
New Jersey State Bar Association

2. Address ☐ Check if different than previously reported
New Jersey Law Ctr., 1 Constitution Sq., New Brunswick, NJ 08901

3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2)
City: State/Zip (or Country)

| 4. Contact Name | Telephone | E-mail (optional) | 5. Senate ID # |
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| Valerie L. Brown | (732) 249-5000 | vbrown@njsba.com | 2912 |

7. Client Name ☑ Self

6. House ID # 332860

**TYPE OF REPORT** 8. Year 2003 Midyear (January 1-June 30) ☑ **OR** Year End (July 1-Decem

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 A

## 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)

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 repor period were:

Less than $10,000 ☑

$10,000 or more ☐ ⇨ $_____
Expenses (nearest $20,000

**14. REPORTING METHOD.** Check box to indicate e accounting method. See instructions for description of o

☑ **Method A.** Reporting amounts using LDA definitio

☐ **Method B.** Reporting amounts under section 6033( Internal Revenue Code

☐ **Method C.** Reporting amounts under section 162(e Internal Revenue Code

Signature Valerie Brown/ams

Printed Name and Title Valerie L. Brown, Legislative Counsel

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Registrant Name New Jersey State Bar Association Client Name

**LOBBYING ACTIVITY.** Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the reg engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. **Using a separate page for each code,** information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed.

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

16. Specific lobbying issues

H.R. 975 - The Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2003. This bankruptcy rerform legislation amends the Bankruptcy code provisions dealing with consumer bankruptcy. The changes relate to the "means" test for determining who can file for Chapter 7; encouraging increased motion practice by creditors and no establishment of a cap for who qualifies for the homestead exemption.

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

United States Senate and House of Representatives

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

| Name | Covered Official Position (if applicable) |
|---|---|
| Valerie L. Brown | |
| D. Todd Sidor | |
| Denise M. (Crump) Sharperson | |

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

Signature Valerie Brown/DMS Date 8/6/03

Valerie L. Brown, Legislative Counsel

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

16. Specific lobbying issues

S. 1023 - This legislation increases the annual salary of justices and judges of the United States.

H.R. 2799 - This legislation increases funding for the Legal Services Corporation. in Fiscal Year 2004.

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

16. Specific lobbying issues

S. 11 -The Patients First Act of 2003. This legislation contains a proposed cap of $250,000 on punitive damage awards in medical malpractice actions.

H.R. 5/S. 607 - The Health Effecient Accessible, Low-Cost, Timely Healthcare (HEALTH) Act of 2003. This legislation places a $250,000 cap on pain and suffering awards in medical malpractice actions.

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

United States Senate and House of Representatives

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

16. Specific lobbying issues

H.R. 1313 - This legislation amends the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, which restores the deduction for travel expenses of the taxpayer's spouse who accompanies the taxpayer on business travel.

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

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

16. Specific lobbying issues

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has issued new rules related to unsolicited fax advertisements. The new rules prohibit non-profit organizations from sending faxes to anyone including its own members without prior express written consent.

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

United States Senate, House of Representatives and the Federal Communications Commission

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

16. Specific lobbying issues

The Graham-Leach-Bliley Act (Public Law 106-102) also known as the Financial Industries Modernization Act. It requires financial institutions to provide their customers notice of their policies for the protection of individual identifiable personal information, as well as, opportunity to opt out of most disclosure of such information to third parties. This law has been improperly interpreted to apply to the legal community.

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

United States Senate, House of Representatives and Federal Trade Commission

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

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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

### AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

25. Add the following affiliated organization(s)

| Name | Address | Principal Place of Busin (city and state or count |
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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 | Ov pe cli |
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28. Name of each previously reported foreign entity that **no longer** owns, or controls, or is affiliated with the registrant, affiliated organization

Signature Valerie Brown/DMS Date 8/6/03

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August 6, 2003

Secretary of the Senate
Office of Public Records
232 Hart Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Secretary of the Senate:

Enclosed please find the Midyear Lobbying Report for the following lobbyists from the New Jersey State Bar Association: Valerie L. Brown, D. Tod Sidor and Denise M. (Crump) Sharperson.

Please let the records of the Office of Public Records reflect that I have changed my name from Denise M. Crump to Denise M. Sharperson due to marriage.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Denise Sharperson

Denise M. Sharperson
Assistant Legislative Counsel

cc: Valerie L. Brown, Esq., NJSBA Legislative Counsel