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LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name The Advocacy Group			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported 1350 I Street, N.W. #680 Washington, D.C. 20005			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City: N/A State/Zip (or Country):			
4. Contact Name George A. Ramonas	Telephone 202-393-4841	E-mail (optional)	5. Senate ID #
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self UST Public Affairs, Inc.			6. House ID # 30018030

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

12. Lobbying Firms INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was: Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> \Rightarrow \$ <u>13,664,000</u> 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 reporting period were: Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> \Rightarrow \$ _____ Expenses (nearest \$20,000) 14. REPORTING METHOD. 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
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Signature _____

Printed Name and Title C. V. de Munnick, Manager / for G. Ramonas

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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 BEV (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

S. 577 Enforcement of 21st Amendment/Wine Shipping

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

US House of Representatives
US Senate

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
Robert J. Dotchin		<input type="checkbox"/>
George A. Ramonas		<input type="checkbox"/>
Kristin H. Hughes		<input type="checkbox"/>
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19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above ☒ Check if None

Signature [Signature] Date 2/14/00

Printed Name and Title George A. Ramonas for G. Ramonas

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

16. Specific lobbying issues

HR 2670/S. 1217 Commerce, State, Justice Appropriations
HR 1532 Smokeless Tobacco Warning Labels
Proposals to Enhance Federal Lawsuit

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

US House of Representatives
US Senate

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
Robert J. Botchin		<input type="checkbox"/>
George A. Romanos		<input type="checkbox"/>
Kristin R. Hughes		<input type="checkbox"/>
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Printed Name and Title Ch. Hernade / Manager for B. Romanos

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

16. Specific lobbying issues

HR 2488/HR 3149/S 1429 Proposal to increase Federal Tobacco Excise Tax
Proposal to increase FET/lookback

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Signature C. de Munnick Date 2/14/00

Printed Name and Title C. de Munnick Partner for G. Ramonas