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LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant name			
Organization	Association of Trial Lawyers of America		
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported			
1050 31st Street, NW			
City	Washington	State	DC
Zip Code	20007	Country	U.S.
3. Principal place of business (if different than line 2)			
City	State	Zip Code	Country
City	State/Zip or Country	Zip Code	Country
4a. Contact Name		b. Telephone number	c. E-mail
Prefix	Full Name		
Mr.	Dan Cohen	202/965-3500	dan.cohen@atlahq.org
7. Client Name <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self			5. Senate ID #
Association of Trial Lawyers of America			4733-1
			6. House ID #
			312410

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2004 Midyear (January 1-June 30) OR Year End (July 1-December)

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 Act

INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13

<p>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 type="checkbox"/> ⇨ \$ _____</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>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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> ⇨ \$ <u>2,340,000</u></p> <p>14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate reporting method. See instructions for description of method.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definition</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(b) Internal Revenue Code</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) Internal Revenue Code</p>
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Form

Printed Name and Title Dan Cohen, Director of National Affairs

Registrant Name Association of Trial Lawyers of America Client Name Association of Trial Lawyers of Ame

LOBBYING ACTIVITY. Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the 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 ENG - Energy/Nuclear (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

HR 4503 (Energy Policy Act; specific interest in Section 1502, relating to product liability protection for Methyl Tertiary Butyl Ether (MTBE); also, issues relating to MTBE immunity in general, including the potential for including MTBE protection in various bills that advanced or might have advanced during the closing weeks of the session.)

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

House of Representatives
Senate

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area *Add a page to continue adding lobbyists to*

First Name	Name Last Name	Suffix	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Linda	Lipsen		
Dan	Cohen		
Julia	Duncan		
Elizabeth	Humphrey		
Susan	Steinman		
Michael	Strautmanis		
Thomas R.	White		

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

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ADDENDUM for General Lobbying Issue Area ENG

16. Specific lobbying issues (continued from previous page)

HR 4200 (National Defense Authorization Act; specific interest in Subtitle E of Title XXXI, making amendm
the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Program.)

17. House(s) of Congress & Federal Agencies contacted:

House of Representatives
Senate

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

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15. General issue area code ENV - Environmental/Superfund (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues *Add page to continue specific issues description for this issue* >

HR 2277/S. 1115: (Ban Asbestos in America Act) (Also, Title V of S. 2290; see issue area code TOR for S. 2290.)

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15. General issue area code GOV - Government Issues (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Bills relating to the operation and jurisdiction of the federal courts:

HR 1115/S. 2062/S. 12 (Class Action Fairness Act)

HR 1768 (Multidistrict Litigation Restoration Act)

HR 4430/S. 1836 (Legal Expense Equity Act; relating to the award of cost and fees in federal civil diversity litigation.)

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ADDENDUM for General Lobbying Issue Area GOV

16. Specific lobbying issues (continued from previous page)

HR 4571 (Lawsuit Abuse Reduction Act; amending Rule 11, F.R.C.P., relating to sanctions for frivolous pleadings.)

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15. General issue area code HCR - Health Issues (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues *Add page to continue specific issues description for this issue* >

HR 663/S. 720 (Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act; specific interest in each of these bills in provisions relating to confidentiality and privilege protections accorded to patient safety information voluntarily reported under the bill.)

S. 1945/S 2083 (Bipartisan Patient Protection Act; also HR 597, Patient Protection Act and HR 4628, Patient's Bill of Rights Act; bills to protect consumers in managed care plans.)

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16. Specific lobbying issues

S. 2931 (Auto Choice Reform Act; to allow insurers to offer motorists a choice between two insurance systems - a tort maintenance system or a personal injury protection system similar to no-fault insurance.)
S. 352 (Medical Malpractice Insurance Antitrust Act; relating to the application of the McCarran-Ferguson Act to price fixing, bid rigging and market allocation by medical malpractice insurers.)

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16. Specific lobbying issues (continued from previous page)

HR. 1158 (Medical Liability Insurance Crisis Response Act; to modify the antitrust exception applicable to malpractice insurance and to make other reforms in the malpractice insurance market.)

S. 1374 (Better Health Act; specifically Title III, Limiting Frivolous Malpractice Suits; Title IV, Medical Malpractice Insurance Reform; Title V, Independent Advisory Commission on Medical Malpractice Insurance.)

S. 1373 (Insurance Consumer Protection Act; to authorize and direct the Secretary of the Commerce, through an independent commission within the Department of Commerce, to protect consumers by regulating the interstate sale of insurance.)

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15. General issue area code MAR - Marine/Maritime/Boating/Fisheries (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues *Add page to continue specific issues description for this issue* >

HR 1329 (Recreational Marine Employment Act; to clarify the exemption of recreational vessel support employees under the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act.)

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15. General issue area code RRR - Railroads (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues *Add page to continue specific issues description for this issue* >

HR 874 (Rail Passenger Disaster Family Assistance Act; specific interest in provisions relating to attorney communications within 45 days of a rail passenger accident.)

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15. General issue area code TAX - Taxation/Internal Revenue Code (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

HR 4124 (to amend the Internal Revenue Code to allow a business credit for qualified expenditures for medical malpractice insurance; also a similar bill, S. 1055)
HR 1155/S. 557 (Civil Rights Tax Relief.)

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ADDENDUM for General Lobbying Issue Area TAX

16. Specific lobbying issues (continued from previous page)

S. 1637 and HR 4520 as passed by the Senate (Jumpstart Our Business Strength (JOBS) Act; specific interest in Title XV, Section 643, Civil Rights Tax Relief; and the conference report to accompany HR 4250 (American Job Creation Act, now Public Law 108-357; specific interest in Title VII, Section 703, Civil Rights Tax Relief.)

HR 3580 (Victims Tax Fairness Act; to provide for the tax treatment of legal fees awarded or received in connection with nonphysical personal injury cases.)

HR 2503 (Asbestos Claims Tax Fairness Act.)

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15. General issue area code TOR - Torts (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

(Bills relating to medical malpractice and other health care related liability):
HR 4280 (HEALTH ACT)
S. 2061 (Health Mothers and Health Babies Access to Care Act)
S. 2207 (Pregnancy and Trauma Care Access Protection Act)
S. 11 (Patients First Act)

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ADDENDUM for General Lobbying Issue Area TOR

16. Specific lobbying issues (continued from previous page)

Health care related liability bills (cont.):

HR 321 (Common Sense Medical Malpractice Reform Act)

HR 1178 (Physician Relief Act)

S. 1518 (Reliable Medical Justice Act)

HR 4993 (Emergency Care Liability Relief Act)

S. 1125/S. 2290 (Fairness in Asbestos Injury Resolution Act; also issues pertaining to various unnumbered bills proposing the establishment of a trust fund to pay asbestos claims.)

S. 413 (Asbestos Claims Criteria and Compensation Act)

HR 1114 (Asbestos Compensation Act)

HR 1586 (Asbestos Compensation Fairness Act)

HR 1737 (Asbestos Victims' Compensation Act)

HR 1036/S. 1805 and S. 1806 (Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act, relating to the liability of firearm manufacturers and sellers for damages resulting from the misuse of their products by others; also HR 357, Firearms Heritage Protection Act, a similar bill.)

S. 754 (Improved Vaccine Affordability and Availability Act; specific interest in Title II, "Vaccine Injury Compensation Program.")

HR 1349 (National Vaccine Injury Compensation Improvement Act)

HR 1787/S. 2793 (Good Samaritan Volunteer Firefighter Assistance Act; also Section 5134, subtitle H of S as passed by the House.)

HR 3369/S. 2903 (Non Profit Athletic Organization Act, relating to civil immunity for harm arising from rules adopted by nonprofit athletic organizations.)

HR 2813/S. 1546 (Small Business Liability Reform Act)

HR 339 (Personal Responsibility in Food Consumption Act; relating to the liability of the manufacturers, distributor or sellers of food for harm resulting from a person's weight or obesity.)

S. 1428 (Common Sense Consumption Act; substantially similar to HR 339 above.)

HR 1084/S. 955 (Volunteer Pilot Organization Protection Act.)

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

20. Client new address

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Country

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

City

State

Zip Code

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

First Name

Last Name

Suffix

First Name

Last Name

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ISSUE UPDATE

Find the code to select below.

24. General lobbying issues that **no longer** pertain

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

25. Add the following affiliated organization(s)

Name	Address	Principal place of Business (city and state or country)
	Address C/S/Z	City State Country
	Address C/S/Z	City State

26. Name of each previously reported organization that is **no longer** affiliated with the registrant or client

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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	Other
	Street Address City	State/Province Country		City
				State Country

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

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Add a page for more

Dan Cohen ; February 8, 2005

Printed Name and Title Dan Cohen, Director of National Affairs

