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LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name GARDNER CARTON & DOUGLAS LLP			
2. Registrant Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported Address 1301 K Street, N.W. Suite 900, East Tower City Washington, D.C. State/Zip (or Country) 20005			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City Chicago State/Zip (or Country) IL 60610-4795			
4. Contact Name Kathleen M. Nilles	Telephone 202-230-5140	E-mail (optional) knilles@gcd.com	5. Senate ID #
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self Council of Insurance Agents & Brokers			6. House ID # 30255033

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2004 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 Activities

INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13

12. Lobbying Firms	13. Organizations
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>\$20,000.00</u> <small>Income (nearest \$20,000)</small>	EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were: Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> >> \$ _____ <small>Expenses (nearest \$20,000)</small>
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).	14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate accounting method. See instructions for description of method. <input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definition <input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 603 of the Internal Revenue Code <input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162 of the Internal Revenue Code

Signature

Kathleen M. Nilles

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Signature _____ Date _____

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Registrant Name: GARDNER CARTON & DOUGLAS LLP

Client Name: Council of Insurance Agents & Brokers

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 TAX (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues
**H.R. 4520, American Jobs Creation Act of 2004,
S. 1637, Jumpstart Our Business Strength (JOBS) Act,
Treasury and Congressional Tax Proposals with an impact on international insurance activities.**

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

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Nilles, Kathleen M.	

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

Signature *Kathleen M. Nilles* Date **8/12/2004**
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