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LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name
Common Cause

2. Address ☐ Check if different than previously reported
1250 Connecticut Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20036

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 #
Sonja Thomas	202-833-1200		10150-12
7. Client Name ☒ Self			6. House ID # 31882000

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2000 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 ☐

$10,000 or more ☐ ⇨ $ _____
Income (nearest $10,000)

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 ☐

$10,000 or more ☒ ⇨ $ 680,000
Expenses (nearest $20,000)

14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.

☒ **Method A.** Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only

☐ **Method B.** Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8)of the Internal Revenue Code

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

Signature _____

Printed Name and Title _____

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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 GOV (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

See Attached Page Following Page 2.

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

See Attached Page Following Page 2.

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
See Attached Page Following Page 2.		☐
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19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above ☒ Check if None

Signature Date

Printed Name and Title

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Common Cause

15. **General lobbying issues area code: GOV**

16. **Specific lobbying issues**

Campaign Finance Reform

On July 13, 2000 Common Cause sent a letter to Representative Amo Houghton (R-NY) thanking him for his role in dealing with the "527" issue, and also explaining its tactics with the Shays-Meehan-Castle bill and the Ways and Means Committee.

On July 20, 2000 Common Cause sent a letter to House Speaker Dennis Hastert (R-IL) expressing its appreciation for his willingness to allow the recently enacted "527" legislation to come to the floor of the House.

On July 21, 2000 Common Cause sent letters to all Senators who voted for the McCain-Feingold bill and the "527" bill thanking them for their part in the bipartisan effort towards more substantive, comprehensive campaign finance reform.

On July 21, 2000 Common Cause sent letters to all Representatives who voted for the Shays-Meehan bill and the "527" bill thanking them for their part in the bipartisan effort towards more substantive, comprehensive campaign finance reform.

On July 26, 2000 Common Cause sent a letter to the Federal Election Commission recommending that the FEC respond favorably to the request by Third Millennium to proceed with its non-partisan, educational research initiative.

On July 27, 2000 Common Cause sent a letter to Attorney General Janet Reno urging the Justice Department to conduct an immediate investigation into illegal use of soft money in the 2000 presidential campaign by both major party presidential candidates and their political parties.

On August 28, 2000 Common Cause sent a report titled *A Reporter's Guide to Money in Politics-Campaign 2000* to the full Congress.

On August 30, 2000 Common Cause sent a letter to Bradley Smith, Commissioner of the Federal Election Commission thanking him for an invitation to meet and specifying the topics to be addressed at the meeting.

On September 8, 2000 Common Cause sent its study on special-interest money giving to national party committees, *You Get What You Pay For*, to the full Congress.

On September 8, 2000 Common Cause sent a letter to the Internal Revenue Service supporting the interpretations of P.L. 106-230 contained in the proposed IRS ruling.

On September 13, 2000 Common Cause released a packet to the full House and Senate regarding a law suit brought up by Common Cause President Scott Harshbarger against the Federal Elections Commission seeking a ruling that would say that expenditures by a political party coordinated with a presidential candidate constitute contributions to and expenditures by the presidential candidate under federal law.

On September 25, 2000 Common Cause sent a letter to Representative Rick Lazio (R-NY) and Hillary Rodham Clinton urging them to sign the *Common Cause Contract for Reform*, which was included with the letter.

On September 26, 2000 Common Cause sent a letter to President William J. Clinton urging him to release more details, including date ranges and facilities used, by individuals disclosed to have been guests at the White House and Camp David.

On September 26, 2000 Common Cause sent a copy of its study, *The Microsoft Playbook*, to the full House and Senate.

On September 28, 2000 Common Cause sent a letter to the Honorable Bill Archer (R-TX) and the Honorable Amo Houghton (R-NY) in response to their letter in the Washington Post in order to clarify Common Cause's role in the fight for campaign finance reform.

On October 17, 2000 Common Cause sent a copy of the *Common Cause Reform Report Card*, to the full House and Senate.

On December 14, 2000 Common Cause sent a letter to Lee Radek, of the Public Integrity Section of the U.S. Department of Justice, urging him to initiate a criminal investigation of Representative E.G. "Bud" Shuster (R-PA) and Ms. Ann Eppard, his former chief of staff, for possible violations of 18 U.S.C. section 207, the "revolving door" prohibition, and other applicable laws. Copies of the letter were also sent to Attorney General Janet Reno, Representatiave Lamar Smith (R-TX), Representative Howard L. Berman (D-CA) and Representative Bud Shuster (R-PA).

On December 14, 2000 Common Cause sent a letter, along with several relevant news articles, to the full House urging them to immediately address the issue of campaign finance reform and support efforts to pass the Shays-Meehan bill.

On December 22, 2000 Common Cause sent a letter to Representatives Lamar Smith and Howard Berman, urging them to begin an investigation into circumstances surrounding a loan received by Representative James P. Moran (D-VA) from a lobbyist for Schering-Plough to determine whether Rep. Moran violated House ethics rules, particularly the gift rules that govern loans to Members. A copy was also sent to Representative Moran.

17. **Houses of Congress and Federal agencies contacted**

U.S. Senate, U.S. House of Representatives, the Department of Justice, the Federal Election Commission, the Internal Revenue Service and the White House.

18. **Name and title of each employee who acted as a lobbyist**

1. Scott Harshbarger - President and CEO
2. Meredith McGehee - Senior Vice President and Legislative Director
3. Don Simon - General Counsel
4. Edwin Davis - National Director of State Organizations and Field Operations
5. Andy Draheim - Deputy Director of State Organizations and Field Operations
6. Matt Keller - Deputy Legislative Director
7. Celia Viggo Wexler - Lobbyist/Senior Policy Analyst
8. Chad Ramsey - Lobbyist/Senior Policy Analyst
9. Laura Williams - Political Organizer/Lobbyist **New**
10. Michael Madison - Political Organizer/Lobbyist **New**

19. **NA**

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Signature Date

Printed Name and Title

Common Cause

15. **General lobbying issues area code: GOV**

16. **Specific lobbying issues**

Ethics

On September 12, 2000 Common Cause sent a copy of a September 7th letter to Chief Justice William Rehnquist and other judicial branch officials to various Representatives and members of the Senate Judiciary Committee with a note urging them to support legislative efforts to address concerns with the financial disclosure requirements for federal judges and judges' attendance at privately sponsored "educational" seminars.

On September 15, 2000 Common Cause sent a letter and related news article to the full House and Senate urging them to reject the provision in the Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary Appropriations bill that would repeal the ban on honoraria for federal judges.

On September 26, 2000 Common Cause sent a letter to the Representative Lamar Smith (R-TX) and Representative Howard Berman (D-CA) of the House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct urging them to bring the pending investigation of Bud Shuster (R-PA) to a conclusion.

On September 26, 2000 Common Cause sent a letter and two relevant news articles to the full House and Senate urging them to oppose efforts to eliminate a cost-of-living adjustment for Members of Congress. The letter also urged them to oppose efforts to reinstate acceptance of honoraria for federal judges.

On September 27, 2000 Common Cause sent a letter to Senator Harry Reid (D-NV) and to Senator Pat Roberts (R-KS) thanking them for speaking out in opposition to honoraria for federal judges.

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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

Claudia Malloy

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 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 percentage 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 Donald C. Allen Date 2/13/01

Printed Name and Title Donald C. Allen Treasurer

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While not required by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, Common Cause will continue its practice of disclosing the names of donors who have made cumulative gifts of $500 or more annually to our organization. This list is available, on request, from the Common Cause national office located at 1250 Connecticut Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20036