

Multiple examples of excessive lobbying can be found in media archives and archives from the Kentucky General Assembly from 2006, 2007 and 2008 by the Kentucky non-profit 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization, Say No To Casinos . The organization's website, <http://www.saynocasino.com/>, exhibits multiple examples of excessive lobbying.

From the organization's first press release it is apparent the 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization, Say No To Casinos are participating in excessive lobbying activities.

**January 19, 2006**

*From Say No To Casinos first press release*

[http://www.saynotocasinos.com/docs/Press\\_Release\\_Draft\\_1-19-06.doc](http://www.saynotocasinos.com/docs/Press_Release_Draft_1-19-06.doc)

*"Organizers of Say No to Casinos (SNTC) will work to inform the **General Assembly**".*

NOTE: The Kentucky General Assembly is the Commonwealth's legislative body.

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*The money the casino proponents promise to give back to local and state governments will come out of the Kentucky economy, from Kentucky citizens. Casinos play a shell game with a community's money, dropping most of it into their own kitty, paying operating expenses, and paying off government with a mere fraction of their profits.*

NOTE: It is clear in the paragraph above that Say No To Casinos main purpose is to lobby against casino gaming legislation in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and that demonstrates the purpose of participating in excessive lobbying activities from the very beginning.

Say No To Casinos spokesman John Mark Hack and director Kent Ostrander, participated on KET's popular political forum *Kentucky Tonight* on March 20, 2006 to lobby against any casino or pro-gambling legislation in Kentucky.

Say No To Casinos spokesman, John Mark Hack, admits in a January 1, 2007 Lexington Herald Leader article on casino gaming that he participates in lobbying activities, he says "**John Mark Hack**, spokesman for the coalition Say No to Casinos, said by his unofficial vote count, a gambling measure would not have nearly enough support to pass", This is solid proof that he is in constant contact with members of the Kentucky General Assembly in regards to casino gaming or gambling legislation in Kentucky.

Say No To Casinos, has made multiple statements in the 2008 session of the Kentucky General Assembly in regards to their excessive lobbying activities and their mission to lobby against any casino and or gambling legislation in Kentucky. The examples below are the media outlets that register with Google News; this is only a small fraction of the actual news outlets that have mentioned Say No To Casinos in regards to their excessive lobbying activities in the Kentucky General Assembly thus helping to prove the excessive lobbying activities of Say No To Casinos. John Mark Hack and director Kent Ostrander are both steady figures in the Commonwealth political scene and many examples exist in regards to their excessive lobbying activities.

- Cincinnati Enquirer, OH - Feb 14, 2008,
- WTVQ, KY - Feb 27, 2008
- The Associated Press - Feb 23, 2008
- WYMT, KY - Feb 14, 2008
- Kentucky.com, KY - Feb 28, 2008
- Louisville Courier-Journal, KY - Feb 28, 2008
- Kentucky.com, KY - Feb 28, 2008
- Forbes, NY - Feb 14, 2008
- Conde Nast Portfolio, NY - Feb 26, 2008
- Kentucky.com, KY - Feb 20, 2008
- Louisville Courier-Journal, KY - Feb 24, 2008
- Elizabethtown News Enterprise, KY - Feb 22, 2008
- Cincinnati Enquirer, OH - Feb 17, 2008

#### Media Archives:

Say No to Casinos spokesperson John Mark Hack and director Kent Ostrander can be considered the Commonwealth of Kentucky's most well known lobbyist as he is featured in multiple news articles from all over the nation from 2006, 2007 and 2008. Say No To Casinos is the face of lobbying against casino gaming and or pro-gambling legislation in Kentucky.

With the mounds of evidence available to the Internal Revenue Service, IRS, in regards to the excessive lobbying activities by the 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization, Say No To Casinos, it will not take long to prove this complaint valid.

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