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## The Supreme Jackpot II

### A Study of Campaign Contributions to Nevada Supreme Court Candidates 2004

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## The Supreme Jackpot II — Fast Stats:

### **\$3,088,976.76: The Total Contributions Received by Nevada Supreme Court Candidates in 2004.**

<b>Candidates</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Mason, John	\$885,692.86
Hardesty, James	\$673,747.00
Parraguirre, Ron	\$661,365.56
Douglas, Michael L.	\$296,290.89
Smith, Douglas	\$196,725.00
Ashworth, Don	\$187,487.35
Steel, Cynthia Dianne	\$122,429.91
Hansen, Joel	\$57,615.19
Brown, Lori Lipman	<u>\$7,623.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,088,976.76</b>

### **The average amount raised to win a Nevada State Supreme Court Seat has gone up by nearly \$230,000 (73 %) since 2002.**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Average Amount Raised to Win</b>
1998	\$172,197.00
2000	\$196,779.00
2002	\$313,845.00
2004	\$543,801.15

### **Contributions to Supreme Court Candidates by Group or Industry**

<b>Group</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Lawyers & Lobbyists	\$825,255.43	26.72
Candidate Self-Financed*	\$500,558.15	16.20
Gaming	\$395,531.76	12.80
Fin/Ins/Real Estate**	\$282,292.50	9.14
General Business	\$271,512.09	8.79
Communications/Electronics	\$179,800.00	5.82
Construction	\$176,856.83	5.73
Unknown	\$140,287.68	4.54
Small Contributions	\$66,978.26	2.17
Transportation	\$61,265.00	1.98
Health	\$51,572.51	1.67
Other	\$44,407.00	1.44
Energy/Nat Resource	\$32,000.00	1.04
Party	\$25,261.00	0.82
Ideology/Single Issue	\$15,500.00	0.50
Labor	\$10,447.57	0.34
Agriculture	<u>\$9,450.98</u>	<u>0.30</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,088,976.76</b>	<b>100</b>

\*Includes loans.

\*\*Fin/Ins/Real Estate: Finance/Insurance/Real Estate

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### About this report

The purpose of this report is to examine the 2004 campaign contributions given to Nevada Supreme Court candidates and to identify who may be trying to influence our Supreme Court Justices. The report is a follow-up to our previous report, “The Supreme Jackpot,” which examined contributions to State Supreme Court Justices from 1998 through 2002. The original report is available at [www.planevada.org](http://www.planevada.org)

The Supreme Jackpot II identifies who gave to State Supreme Court candidates and how much they gave. It reports individual contributions and contributions by groups such as Lawyers & Lobbyists, Gaming, General Business, Labor, and Construction.

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### Data Sources

All campaign contributions figures are from the 2004 Campaign Contributions and Expenses Reports for State Supreme Court Candidates filed with the Secretary of State’s Office.

### References

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## Commentary

### **A ‘money-driven circus’ Judicial elections in Nevada**

by Jim Hulse, Past Chair and Vice Chair of Common Cause/Nevada

It is fortunate that this report by PLAN went to press during the same month when the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee held hearings on the confirmation of Judge John Roberts to become Chief Justice of the United States. Common Cause/ Nevada is pleased to have contributed to the publication of this report.

Much attention has been focused on questions of whether Judge Roberts has the temperament and attitudes to serve as leader of the highest court in the land. These are appropriate questions. Fortunately, there seemed to be no concern about whether Judge Roberts had accepted money in advance from special interest groups that will have cases before the Court.

In Nevada, we are not so fortunate. We still elect our Supreme Court justices and district judges by the so-called popular vote. This means that every six years a sitting judge (or an ambitious attorney with a special axe to grind) can put his or her name on the ballot, seeking a seat on the bench. If he or she has enough money (or can raise it), victory is likely.

Usually the outcome in Nevada depends on the amount of money a candidate spends to get her or his message out in the media. Under the present system, both incumbent judges and those who want to replace them are subjected to months of fund-raising and glad-handing to prepare for the elections.

This happens even when candidates have no opposition. In many cases incumbent justices run unopposed. They seek campaign contributions on the possibility that they might have challengers, and most of this money comes from contributors who have or have had litigation before the high court.

As this fine study by PLAN shows, the amount of money pumped into the campaigns for Justices of the Nevada Supreme Court has escalated in recent years. Justices typically receive substantial campaign contributions from special interest groups who often have legal cases pending in the court. This happens even when incumbent justices are unopposed!

Dedicated justices and responsible lawyers do not like this money-driven circus. Most judges do not favor the system that forces them to raise money to hold office.

Justices of the Nevada Supreme Court have taken the lead in trying to modify this obvious flaw, only to hit roadblocks in the Nevada Legislature. During both the 2003 and 2005 sessions, lawmakers turned a deaf ear on a request from the justices to make modest changes that would have greatly improved this situation. The measure offered by the Justices would have changed the filing dates so they would know early-on whether or not they were running

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unopposed. If they were unopposed, they would not have to raise significant sums of money and be indebted to special interests. Unfortunately, the reform bills did not find enough backers in the legislature to give the measure a fair hearing.

Common Cause/Nevada hopes this report will provide the basis for future dialogue on the mater of judicial election reform in Nevada.

## Executive Summary

Perhaps the only thing rising faster than the price of gasoline is the cost of winning a Nevada Supreme Court seat. The nine candidates for Nevada's three Supreme Court seats raised more than \$3 million for their 2004 campaigns. The average amount raised to win a State Supreme Court seat set a new record high—\$543,801.15, increasing by nearly \$230,000 over the 2002 amount.

These increased costs are paid by special interest groups. In our previous study we found that eight out of the top ten contributors later appeared in court before the justices they gave campaign contributions to. At the very least, this gives the appearance of a conflict of interest.

### Money Can't Buy Votes, or Can It?

Two out of three winning candidates raised more money than their opponents. Michael Douglas and James Hardesty raised more than five times as much money as their general election opponents.

Ron Parraguirre raised about one-third *less* than his opponent, John Mason; however, Parraguirre did raise more than enough money to run a competitive race. He raised the third highest amount of campaign contributions in our State Supreme Court database, which goes back to 1998.

### Lawyers & Gaming Bankrolled Winners

The three winning candidates—Douglas, Hardesty and Parraguirre—were strongly supported by Lawyers & Lobbyists and the Gaming industry—two of the largest contributors by industry (see Key Findings for exact figures). Hardesty and Parraguirre also received major support from most of the other industries or groups. Douglas' support was not quite as broad.

The top five contributors by groups or industry—Lawyers & Lobbyists, Candidates Self-Financing, Gaming, Finance/Insurance/Real Estate and Business—represent 73.6 percent of all contributions. Most of these groups were the top contributors in our previous study with the exception of the Candidates Self-Financing group. No candidates in the earlier report self-financed their campaigns.

Lawyers & Lobbyists as a group were the largest contributors to candidates, but the largest individual donations were made by Gaming companies (with the exception of Univision, which gave only to one candidate—Mason).

### Gaming's Love—Hate Relationships

The Gaming industry loved Parraguirre, giving him nearly 42 percent of their contributions. Gaming showed no love towards two unsuccessful candidates—Joel Hansen and Cynthia Dianne Steel. They did not receive a single dime in recorded contributions from the Gaming industry. (Note: Lori Lipman Brown, who lost in the primary, also reported no contributions from Gaming; however, she accepted only small contributions of \$100 or less and did not receive recorded contributions from any group or industry.)

The top Gaming industry donor was Mandalay Bay Group, giving candidates nearly \$80,000. Other key Gaming players include MGM Mirage, Boyd Gaming Corp., Stations Casinos, Coast Hotels & Casinos, IGT and Harrah's. These are the same Gaming companies that gave the most in our previous study of contributions to State Supreme Court Candidates.

Other top individual donors included Lionel Sawyer & Collins, Attorney Laura Fitzsimmons and the Nevada Subcontractors Association. The Subcontractors were not among the top donors in our previous study. They gave two-thirds of their money (\$20,000) to one candidate—Mason.

### **Non-partisan Races?**

Party contributions did play a role in these so-called non-partisan court races with Republican politicians or groups giving candidates \$17,211 (68.1% of all contributions in this category) and Democrats giving \$6,100 (24.1%). The balance came from non-partisan sources. The top recipient of Party contributions was Parraguirre with 29.3% of the total. Parraguirre was favored by Republicans.

### **Most Candidates who Self-Finance End-up Losers**

As for candidates self-funding their campaigns, Mason came in first at more than \$400,000 (48.5% of his total contributions). Steel, Ashworth, Hansen and Parraguirre all gave their own campaigns thousands of dollars. It seems as though the more a candidate self-finances his or her campaign, the less chance he or she has of winning. Perhaps self-financing shows a lack of broad support.

### **No Limits Will Hold 'em**

Nevada law limits campaign contributions to \$10,000 from any one individual to a single candidate (\$5,000 in the primary and \$5,000 in the general election). However, the law is full of loopholes and is routinely skirted.

Companies and individuals who gave a single candidate more than the \$10,000 limit include Univision, which gave Mason \$60,000 (through various subsidiaries and executives). Others that skirted the contribution cap are Mandalay Bay Group, MGM Mirage, Stations Casinos, Lionel Sawyer & Collins, Echeverria Law Office, Chartwell Partners, Nevada Subcontractors Association, John and Stephanie Perechio, and Treppid.

These donors did not break the letter of the law, but they certainly broke the spirit of the law. The current law allows a single corporation or individual to wield too much influence over State Supreme Court candidates. The loopholes must be closed. But in the scheme of things, skirting the contribution cap is a relatively minor problem. The major problem is special-interest-financed elections give the appearance or the perception of corruption.

Historian and Common Cause/Nevada member Jim Hulse pulled no punches when he said: "The public perception is that not only can the presidency of the United States be bought, and not only can the legislators be purchased by those who fund their campaigns, but even seats on the Nevada Supreme Court are for sale."

## Are Reforms Needed?

The current system of special interest-financed judicial elections is bad for judges—they lose their appearance of impartiality—and it is bad for lawyers and others who feel pressured to contribute to a judge’s campaign.

If lawyers do not contribute, they fear they will receive an unfair hearing from that judge, especially if the opposing attorney did give contributions to the judge’s campaign.

The state Judicial Discipline Commission recently found that former District Judge Jeffrey Sobel tried “to pressure lawyers to give him campaign contributions in his 2002 re-election campaign.” The Commission publicly censured Sobel and barred him from being a judge in the future (“Sobel barred from holding judge post,” *Las Vegas Sun*, 6/30/05).

In another case, it has been alleged that “Family Court Judge Cheryl Moss maintains a list of lawyers who have donated to her campaigns and gives them favorable treatment in her courtroom.” Moss denies the allegations (“Judge accused of favoritism,” *Las Vegas Review-Journal*, 6/29/05).

In a June 30, 2005 editorial, the *Las Vegas Review-Journal* stated, “Do Nevada judges show a preference to attorneys who have contributed to their election campaigns? Let’s not be naïve.”

While most attorneys seem to be looking at this problem with eyes wide shut, a few are confronting it head-on. “It is generally recognized among attorneys that a refusal to contribute money (to a judge’s election campaign) may jeopardize the interests of future clients who will appear in that court room,” wrote Las Vegas Attorney Albert G. Marquis in a July 11, 2005 letter to the *Las Vegas Review-Journal*. He added, “If you wanted to establish a system designed to encourage corruption this would be it.”

Marquis suggested two possible alternatives to electing judges. He said judges can be appointed by the governor or they could be elected by their peers (attorneys).

The president of the Nevada State Bar has weighed-in on the issue. “I think the Nevada procedure for the contested election of judges subjects our judiciary to intimidation and threats of retribution and thereby impacts their judicial independence,” wrote State Bar of Nevada President Vince Consul in the July 2005 issue of *Nevada Lawyer*. He noted that Michael Galardi, a former strip club owner, bragged about influencing judges through campaign contributions.

Consul suggests that Nevada “change from a system which provides for the contested election of judges to a ‘Missouri Plan’ which involves an appointment process and retention elections.”

In the past, a modified Missouri Plan was recommended as a way to select judges in Nevada but that proposal was scuttled. However, it may be an idea whose time has come.

Something needs to be done. We've gone past "the appearance of corruption." The public, attorneys and judges themselves are disillusioned with the current way we select or elect judges.

PLAN and Common Cause/Nevada have recommended publicly financed election for judges (see our previous report). Publicly financed elections would eliminate the conflict of interest the current system allows. However, there are pluses and minuses to all system used to select or elect judges. That is why PLAN and Common Cause/Nevada recommend that a panel of concerned citizens review all options on electing or selecting judges.

The panel would include all stakeholders: citizens, business owners, attorneys, law professors, former judges and others. The panel would present its findings to the 2007 Nevada Legislature or take their suggestions directly to the people in the form of an initiative petition. One thing is clear: It is past time to reform judicial elections.

## Key Findings

### By the numbers:

- \$3,088,976.76—Amount of money raised by the nine candidates for the Nevada Supreme Court in the 2004 election.
- \$1,631,403.45—Amount of money the winning candidates raised (52.8 percent).
- Two out of three—Number of winning candidates who raised more money than their opponents.
  - o James Hardesty raised more than 5.5 times as much money as his general election opponent, Cynthia Dianne Steel.
  - o Michael Douglas raised more than 5 times as much money as his general election opponent, Joel Hansen.
  - o Ron Parraguirre raised 34 percent *less* than his general election opponent, John Mason.
- \$543,801.15—Average amount raised to win a Nevada Supreme Court Seat. **From 2002 to 2004 it went up \$229,954.00, an increase of 73 percent.**
  - o Average amount raised in 1998: \$172,197
  - o Average amount raised in 2000: \$196,779
  - o Average amount raised in 2002: \$313,845

### Total Contributions Received by Candidates:

Candidates	Amount
Mason, John	\$885,692.86
Hardesty, James	\$673,747.00
Parraguirre, Ron	\$661,365.56
Douglas, Michael L.	\$296,290.89
Smith, Douglas	\$196,725.00
Ashworth, Don	\$187,487.35
Steel, Cynthia Dianne	\$122,429.91
Hansen, Joel	\$57,615.19
Brown, Lori Lipman	<u>\$7,623.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,088,976.76</b>

### Top 12 Individual Contributors:

1. John Mason (to his own campaign)	\$429,369.17
2. Mandalay Bay Group	\$79,454.61
3. Univision (various divisions)	\$60,000.00
4. MGM Mirage	\$53,500.00
5. Boyd Gaming Corp	\$33,050.00
6. Lionel Sawyer & Collins	\$31,897.50
7. Nevada Subcontractors Association	\$30,000.00
8. Cynthia Dianne Steel (to her own campaign)	\$27,004.97
9. Stations Casinos	\$26,057.82

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10. Coast Hotels & Casinos	\$25,000.00
11. Laura Fitzsimmons, Attorney	\$25,000.00
12. International Gaming Technology (IGT)	\$25,000.00

Notes: Half of the top donors are Gaming companies.

All of Univision contributions went to John Mason.

### Top Contributors by Group or Industry:

1. Lawyers & Lobbyists	\$825,255.43 (26.7%)
2. Candidates Self-financing	\$500,558.15 (16.2%)
3. Gaming	\$395,531.76 (12.8%)
4. Finance/Insurance/Real Estate	\$282,292.50 (9.1%)
5. General Business	\$271,512.09 (8.8%)

**Part I**  
**Campaign Contributions to**  
**Nevada Supreme Court Candidates**  
**2004**

This section provides campaign contribution information for the nine candidates for the Nevada Supreme Court who ran in 2004. Candidates are listed alphabetically.

Data Source: Campaign Contributions and Expenses reports from 2004 filed with the Secretary of State's Office.



## Ashworth, Don

**Total Contributions Raised: \$187,487.35**

Lawyers & Lobbyists gave 38.8% of his campaign contributions.  
Gaming gave 20.0%.

Candidate for Seat A. Lost in Primary with 20.23% of the vote.

Primary winners took 21.01% (Steel) and 43.41% (Hardesty).

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Ashworth, Don W.	\$22,500.00
Boyd Gaming Corp	\$10,000.00
Mandalay Bay Group	\$10,000.00
Small Contributions	\$7,192.76
Burr & Assoc	\$5,257.00
Morse & Mowbray	\$5,250.00
Binion, Jack B.	\$5,000.00
Sunbelt Communications Co	\$5,000.00
Coast Hotels & Casinos	\$5,000.00
Engelstad Family Trust	\$5,000.00
Windsock Holdings, LLC	\$5,000.00
Lionel Sawyer & Collins	\$4,950.00

<b>Contributions by Group</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Lawyers & Lobbyists	\$72,824.96
Gaming	\$37,500.00
Candidate	\$22,500.00
Fin/Ins/Real Estate	\$15,300.00
General Business	\$9,480.63
Unknown	\$7,450.00
Small Contributions	\$7,192.76
Communications/Electronics	\$6,500.00
Construction	\$2,950.00
Health	\$2,839.00
Transportation	\$1,250.00
Other	\$1,000.00
Party	<u>\$700.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$187,487.35</b>



## Brown, Lori Lipman

**Total Contributions Raised: \$7,623.00**

Lawyers & Lobbyists gave 0.0% of her campaign contributions.  
Gaming gave 0.0%.

Candidate Seat E. Lost in Primary with 17.92% of the vote.

Primary winners took 38.61% (Parraguirre) and 19.11% (Mason).

### **Top Donors**

Candidate only accepted small contributions (\$100 or less).

**Disclosure Notice: Candidate is married to Paul R. Brown, the lead researcher of this report.**

<b>Contributions by Group</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Small Contributions	<u>\$7,623.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,623.00</b>

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Douglas, Michael

Total Contributions Raised: \$296,290.89

Lawyers & Lobbyists gave 47.1% of his campaign contributions.  
Gaming gave 22.8%

Candidate for seat F. Won in General Election with 49.90% of the vote to opponent's (Hansen) 27.29%.

Top Donors	Amount
Mandalay Bay Group	\$15,000.00
MGM Mirage	\$11,000.00
Fitzsimmons, Laura Wightman	\$10,000.00
Lionel Sawyer & Collins	\$9,000.00
Harrison Kemp & Jones, LLP	\$8,500.00
Station Casinos	\$8,185.94
Beckley Singleton, Chtd.	\$8,000.00
QuonBruce Law Firm	\$7,500.00
Boyd Gaming Corp	\$7,500.00
Small Contributions	\$5,771.00
Jones & Vargas	\$5,750.00
Canepa Riedy & Rubino	\$5,000.00

Also contributing \$5,000: Coast Hotels & Casinos, Committee to Re-Elect Judge Gates, Crockett & Meyers, Engelstad Family Trust, Jim Guzy, Harrah's, IGT, LV Golf Holdings, NV Beer Wholesalers/NV Beverage Co, Schreck Brignone, Vantage Ice Cream, Windssock Holdings.

Contributions by Group	Amount
Lawyers & Lobbyists	\$139,636.38
Gaming	\$67,685.94
Fin/Ins/Real Estate	\$20,750.00
General Business	\$15,800.00
Other	\$9,100.00
Small Contributions	\$5,771.00
Agriculture	\$5,500.00
Communications/Electronics	\$5,350.00
Unknown	\$5,200.00
Energy/Nat Resource	\$5,000.00
Health	\$4,400.00
Labor	\$4,197.57
Construction	\$3,000.00
Party	\$2,700.00
Transportation	\$1,700.00
Ideology/Single Issue	<u>\$500.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$296,290.89</b>



Hansen, Joel, F.

Total Contributions Raised: \$57,615.19

Lawyers & Lobbyists gave 13.7% of his campaign contributions.  
Gaming gave 0.0%

Candidate for Seat F. Lost in General Election with 27.29% of the vote. Winner took 49.90% (Douglas).

Top Donors	Amount
Hansen, Joel	\$16,470.00
Hillard Consulting	\$5,000.00
Hansen & Hansen LLC	\$3,543.19
Small Contributions	\$2,282.00
Keystate Corp Management	\$2,000.00
Land Dev. & Inv. Diversification	\$2,000.00
C4 Design	\$2,000.00
Ahlstrom, Debra	\$1,000.00
Bogges & Harker	\$1,000.00
Brady Industries	\$1,000.00
Dahl, N	\$1,000.00
French, Doug	\$1,000.00

Also contributing \$1,000: Montgomery Realty Group, C. Nelson, Scott Peterson, Phyllis Schafley and W. Tew.

Contributions by Group	Amount
Candidate	\$16,470.00
Unknown	\$13,720.00
General Business	\$8,650.00
Lawyers & Lobbyists	\$7,893.19
Fin/Ins/Real Estate	\$5,000.00
Small Contributions	\$2,282.00
Ideology/Single Issue	\$2,000.00
Health	\$600.00
Party	\$500.00
Construction	\$300.00
Transportation	<u>\$200.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$57,615.19</b>

## Hardesty, James

**Total Contributions Raised: \$673,747.00**

Lawyers & Lobbyists gave 33.5% of his campaign contributions.  
Gaming gave 15.2%.

Candidate for Seat A. Won in the General Election with 48.08%  
of the vote to opponent's (Steel) 34.90%.

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Mandalay Bay Group	\$24,454.61
Small Contributions	\$14,510.00
Lionel Sawyer & Collins	\$13,797.50
MGM Mirage	\$11,000.00
IGT	\$10,000.00
Merrill Lynch Trust Company, FSB	\$10,000.00
Mihayto, Steven C.	\$10,000.00
Caesars Entertainment	\$10,000.00
Canepa Riedy & Rubino	\$10,000.00
Nevada Subcontractors Assn- PAC	\$10,000.00
Echeverria Law Office	\$10,000.00
McDonald Carano Wilson LLP	\$9,750.00

<b>Contributions by Group</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Lawyers & Lobbyists	\$225,493.09
Gaming	\$102,140.55
Construction	\$67,201.83
Fin/Ins/Real Estate	\$63,142.50
General Business	\$57,080.86
Unknown	\$43,936.68
Transportation	\$25,700.00
Health	\$22,133.51
Other	\$17,857.00
Small Contributions	\$14,510.00
Energy/Nat Resource	\$11,000.00
Communications/Electronics	\$10,750.00
Party	\$4,600.00
Ideology/Single Issue	\$3,000.00
Agriculture	\$2,700.98
Labor	<u>\$2,500.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$673,747.00</b>



## Mason, John

**Total Contributions Raised: \$885,692.86**

Lawyers & Lobbyists gave 3.9% of his campaign contributions.  
Gaming gave 1.8%.

Candidate for Seat E. Lost in the General Election with 29.08%  
of the vote to opponent's (Parraguirre) 52.98%

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Mason, John	\$429,369.17
Univision (subsidiaries & executives)	\$60,000.00
Chartwell Partners LLC	\$20,000.00
Nevada Subcontractors Assn- PAC	\$20,000.00
Perenchio, John G. & Stephanie F.	\$20,000.00
Treppid	\$10,500.00
Geffen, David c/o Richard Sherman, C.P.A.	\$10,000.00
Cahill, Diana D. & Robert V.	\$10,000.00
Concord Records, Inc.	\$10,000.00
Goldring, Hertz & Lichtenstein, LLP	\$10,000.00
Provident Financial Management	\$8,600.00
Keith, Toby & Covell, Tricia	\$7,500.00
Kimbrell, Terry S. & Betty	\$7,500.00

<b>Contributions by Group</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Candidate	\$429,369.17
Communications/Electronics	\$132,200.00
Fin/Ins/Real Estate	\$95,050.00
Construction	\$50,855.00
General Business	\$50,647.19
Unknown	\$37,431.00
Lawyers & Lobbyists	\$34,900.00
Gaming	\$15,961.00
Other	\$9,250.00
Party	\$6,392.00
Health	\$6,300.00
Transportation	\$6,000.00
Energy/Nat Resource	\$4,500.00
Small Contributions	\$3,837.50
Ideology/Single Issue	<u>\$3,000.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$885,692.86</b>

## Parraguirre, Ron

**Total Contributions Raised: \$661,365.56**

Lawyers & Lobbyists gave 34.8% of his campaign contributions.  
Gaming gave 25.0%.

Candidate for seat E. Won in the General Election with 52.98%  
of the vote to opponent's (Mason) 29.08%.

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
MGM Mirage	\$31,000.00
Mandalay Bay Group	\$30,000.00
Station Casinos	\$12,685.94
Small Contributions	\$11,297.00
Echeverria Law Office	\$11,000.00
Binion, Jack B.	\$10,000.00
Black, Robert Sr.	\$10,000.00
Christopher Homes, LLC	\$10,000.00
Coast Hotels & Casinos	\$10,000.00
Fitzsimmons, Laura Wightman	\$10,000.00
IGT	\$10,000.00
Harrah's	\$10,000.00

Also contributing \$10,000.00: John Lambrose, Marshall Family LP, Merrill Lynch Trust Co., Blake Sartini.

<b>Contributions by Group</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Lawyers & Lobbyists	\$229,842.87
Gaming	\$165,044.27
General Business	\$75,852.41
Fin/Ins/Real Estate	\$59,450.00
Construction	\$39,200.00
Transportation	\$16,915.00
Unknown	\$13,600.00
Small Contributions	\$11,297.00
Energy/Nat Resource	\$11,000.00
Communications/Electronics	\$8,000.00
Party	\$7,400.00
Health	\$7,050.00
Candidate	\$5,214.01
Ideology/Single Issue	\$5,000.00
Other	\$4,000.00
Labor	\$2,000.00
Agriculture	<u>\$500.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$661,365.56</u></b>



## Smith, Douglas

**Total Contributions Raised: \$196,725.00**

Lawyers & Lobbyists gave 33.6% of his campaign contributions.  
Gaming gave 3.7%

Candidate for Seat E. Lost in Primary with 13.01% of the vote.  
Primary winners took 38.61% (Parraguirre) & 19.11% (Mason).

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Small Contributions	\$8,175.00
Amiee Gourmet	\$6,000.00
Klai Juba Architects	\$5,000.00
Siena Holding	\$5,000.00
Chavez Law Office	\$5,000.00
Professional Resources	\$5,000.00
Frankewich Ltd	\$5,000.00
Gentile, Dominic, P., LTD	\$5,000.00
LV Golf Holdings/LV Preferred	\$5,000.00
Baseball Big & Little	\$5,000.00
NV Beer Wholesalers/NV Beverage Co	\$5,000.00
Same Day Banner	\$4,500.00

<b>Contributions by Group</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Lawyers & Lobbyists	\$66,150.00
General Business	\$45,600.00
Fin/Ins/Real Estate	\$23,600.00
Unknown	\$14,200.00
Construction	\$10,850.00
Small Contributions	\$8,175.00
Gaming	\$7,200.00
Communications/Electronics	\$7,000.00
Transportation	\$3,500.00
Health	\$3,000.00
Other	\$2,950.00
Labor	\$1,750.00
Ideology/Single Issue	\$1,000.00
Agriculture	\$750.00
Energy/Nat Resource	\$500.00
Party	<u>\$500.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$196,725.00</u></b>

## Steel, Cynthia Dianne

**Total Contributions Raised: \$122,429.91**

Lawyers & Lobbyists gave 39.6% of her campaign contributions.  
Gaming gave 0.0%

Candidate for Seat A. Lost in the General Election with 34.90%  
of the vote to opponent's (Hardesty) 48.08%.

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Steel, Cynthia Dianne	\$27,004.97
Las Vegas Color Graphics	\$10,000.00
Root, Michael A	\$8,000.00
Small Contributions	\$6,290.00
Jimmerson Hansen PC	\$6,000.00
Nellis Cab Company	\$5,000.00
Havins, Weldon E. MD/Esq.	\$3,000.00
Med Pac Clark County Physicians	\$3,000.00
Eliades, Peter	\$3,000.00
Hofland, Inc., Bradley J.	\$2,000.00
Mt. View Estates/Bill Walters	\$2,000.00
Root, Angie	\$2,000.00
Frankewich Ltd	\$2,000.00

<b>Contributions by Group</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Lawyers & Lobbyists	\$48,514.94
Candidate	\$27,004.97
Communications/Electronics	\$10,000.00
General Business	\$8,401.00
Small Contributions	\$6,290.00
Transportation	\$6,000.00
Health	\$5,250.00
Unknown	\$4,750.00
Construction	\$2,500.00
Party	\$2,469.00
Ideology/Single Issue	\$1,000.00
Other	<u>\$250.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$122,429.91</b>



## Part II

### Contributions to Supreme Court Candidates by Group or Industry 2004

This section provides information on the 17 groups or industries that gave campaign contributions to Nevada Supreme Court candidates. The groups or industries are listed based on the amount of money they contributed, with the largest contributors listed first.

Data Source: Campaign Contributions and Expenses reports from 2004 filed with the Secretary of State's Office.

#### Contributions to Supreme Court Candidates by Group or Industry

Group	Amount	Percent
Lawyers & Lobbyists	\$825,255.43	26.72
Candidate Self-Financed*	\$500,558.15	16.20
Gaming	\$395,531.76	12.80
Fin/Ins/Real Estate**	\$282,292.50	9.14
General Business	\$271,512.09	8.79
Communications/Electronics	\$179,800.00	5.82
Construction	\$176,856.83	5.73
Unknown	\$140,287.68	4.54
Small Contributions	\$66,978.26	2.17
Transportation	\$61,265.00	1.98
Health	\$51,572.51	1.67
Other	\$44,407.00	1.44
Energy/Nat Resource	\$32,000.00	1.04
Party	\$25,261.00	0.82
Ideology/Single Issue	\$15,500.00	0.50
Labor	\$10,447.57	0.34
Agriculture	<u>\$9,450.98</u>	<u>0.30</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,088,976.76</b>	<b>100</b>

\*Includes loans.

\*\*Fin/Ins/Real Estate: Finance/Insurance/Real Estate



## Lawyers & Lobbyists

**Total Contributions: \$825,255.43**

**Percent of Total: 26.7%**

<b>Recipients</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Parraguirre, Ron	\$229,842.87	27.9%
Hardesty, James	\$225,493.09	27.3%
Douglas, Michael L.	\$139,636.38	16.9%
Ashworth, Don	\$72,824.96	8.8%
Smith, Douglas	\$66,150.00	8.0%
Steel, Cynthia Dianne	\$48,514.94	5.9%
Mason, John	\$34,900.00	4.2%
Hansen, Joel	<u>\$7,893.19</u>	<u>1.0%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$825,255.43</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Lionel Sawyer & Collins	\$31,897.50
Fitzsimmons, Laura Wightman	\$25,000.00
Harrison Kemp & Jones, LLP	\$21,750.00
Echeverria Law Office	\$21,000.00
Jones & Vargas	\$20,288.93
McDonald Carano Wilson LLP	\$18,750.00
Canepa Riedy & Rubino	\$16,000.00
QuonBruce Law Firm	\$15,500.00
Black, Robert Sr.	\$15,000.00
Frankewich Ltd	\$15,000.00
Beckley Singleton, Chtd.	\$14,000.00
Crockett & Meyers	\$13,000.00
Bradley Drendel & Jeanney	\$10,350.00
Schreck Brignone	\$10,000.00
Goldring, Hertz & Lichtenstein, LLP	\$10,000.00
Lambrose, John	\$10,000.00
Mainor Eglet Cottle, LLP	\$10,000.00
Jimmerson Hansen PC	\$9,500.00
Root, Michael A	\$8,650.00
Laub & Laub	\$8,500.00
Hale Lane Peek Dennison & Howard	\$8,250.00
Bernstein, Edward M. & Associates	\$7,500.00
Campbell & Williams	\$7,500.00
Ross, John	\$7,000.00
Gentile, Dominic, P., LTD	\$6,700.00

## Candidates Self-Financing or Loaning Money to Their Campaigns

**Total Contributions: \$500,558.15**

**Percent of total: 16.2**

<b>Donor &amp; Recipient</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Amount Candidate Loaned to Self</b>
Mason, John	\$429,369.17	\$429,369.17
Steel, Cynthia Dianne	\$27,004.97	\$27,004.97
Ashworth, Don	\$22,500.00	\$21,004.97
Hansen, Joel	\$16,470.00	\$15,970.00
Parraguirre, Ron	<u>\$5,214.01</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$500,558.15</b>	<b>\$493,844.14</b>

## Gaming

**Total Contributions: \$395,531.76**

**Percent of Total: 12.8%**

<b>Recipients</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Parraguirre, Ron	\$165,044.27	41.7%
Hardesty, James	\$102,140.55	25.8%
Douglas, Michael L.	\$67,685.94	17.1%
Ashworth, Don	\$37,500.00	9.5%
Mason, John	\$15,961.00	4.1%
Smith, Douglas	<u>\$7,200.00</u>	<u>1.8%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$395,531.76</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Mandalay Bay Group	\$79,454.61
MGM Mirage	\$53,500.00
Boyd Gaming Corp	\$33,050.00
Station Casinos	\$26,057.82
IGT	\$25,000.00
Coast Hotels & Casinos	\$25,000.00
Harrah's	\$23,500.00
Engelstad Family Trust	\$17,500.00
Binion, Jack B.	\$15,000.00
Caesars Entertainment	\$12,000.00
Sartini, Blake (formerly with Station Casinos)	\$10,000.00
Monarch Casino & Resort Inc	\$7,500.00
Peppermill Casinos, Inc.	\$7,000.00
Atlantis Casino Resort	\$6,500.00
Roadrunner Casino & Saloons	\$6,000.00
Golden Nugget	\$5,608.33
Archon Corporation	\$5,500.00
Circus Circus Reno	\$5,000.00
Pioneer Inn Hotel Casino	\$5,000.00
Herbst Gaming, Inc.	\$3,000.00
Reno Hilton	\$2,961.00
Instant Replay Sports	\$2,500.00
Wynn Las Vegas, LLC	\$2,500.00
Tropicana Resort	\$2,000.00
Black, Gary	\$1,200.00

## Finance/Insurance/Real Estate

**Total Contributions: \$282,292.50**

**Percent of Total: 9.1%**

<b>Recipients</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Mason, John	\$95,050.00	33.7%
Hardesty, James	\$63,142.50	22.4%
Parraguirre, Ron	\$59,450.00	21.1%
Smith, Douglas	\$23,600.00	8.4%
Douglas, Michael L.	\$20,750.00	7.3%
Ashworth, Don	\$15,300.00	5.4%
Hansen, Joel	<u>\$5,000.00</u>	<u>1.7%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$282,292.50</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Perenchio, John G. & Stephanie F.	\$20,000.00
Chartwell Partners LLC	\$20,000.00
Merrill Lynch Trust Company, FSB	\$20,000.00
Keystate Corp Management	\$12,000.00
Treppid	\$10,500.00
LV Golf Holdings/LV Preferred	\$10,000.00
Windsock Holdings, LLC	\$10,000.00
Provident Financial Mangement	\$8,600.00
Nevada State Bank	\$7,150.00
Employers Insurance Company of Nevada	\$6,300.00
Nevada Bankers Association PAC	\$6,000.00
American Nevada Company LLC	\$5,500.00
Professional Resources	\$5,000.00
Muckel Anderson CPAs	\$4,712.50
Pudgesaurus Realty	\$4,000.00
Graves Family Trust	\$4,000.00
Peccole Nevada Corporation	\$4,000.00
Paradise Development, Ltd.	\$4,000.00
JV, NGA, Cliffs, Southwest, Focus, Mnt Edge	\$3,500.00
Irish Capital, LLC	\$3,500.00
Haber Corporation	\$3,500.00
Skyland Realty	\$3,000.00
Acme, Northwest 95, Desert Hills, Land Investment	\$3,000.00
N & W Trust	\$3,000.00
Clark, Patricia D.	\$3,000.00
Callahan Investments, Don K.	\$3,000.00

## General Business

**Total Contributions: \$271,512.09**

**Percent of Total: 8.8%**

<b>Recipients</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Parraguirre, Ron	\$75,852.41	27.9%
Hardesty, James	\$57,080.86	21.0%
Mason, John	\$50,647.19	18.7%
Smith, Douglas	\$45,600.00	16.8%
Douglas, Michael L.	\$15,800.00	5.8%
Ashworth, Don	\$9,480.63	3.5%
Hansen, Joel	\$8,650.00	3.2%
Steel, Cynthia Dianne	<u>\$8,401.00</u>	<u>3.1%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$271,512.09</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
NV Beer Wholesalers/NV Beverage Co	\$14,000.00
Western Nevada Supply Co.	\$12,000.00
Marshall Family Limited Partnership	\$10,000.00
R & R Partners	\$9,803.70
Eliades, Peter	\$9,000.00
Kimbrell, Terry S. & Betty	\$7,500.00
Amiee Gourmet	\$7,000.00
Piero's Restaurant	\$6,250.00
Alliance Sports Management Co.	\$6,000.00
U-Haul International	\$6,000.00
Paladin Advertising	\$5,320.00
Shooting Star Souvenirs	\$5,220.55
Siena Holding	\$5,000.00
E. Jean Mason, Inc.	\$5,000.00
Dane & Associates	\$5,000.00
Hillard Consulting	\$5,000.00
LED Partners V, LLC	\$5,000.00
Baseball Big & Little	\$5,000.00
Brady Industries	\$4,300.00
Hesse, Martha O.	\$4,154.26
Lee's Liqueurs	\$4,000.00
Furlong, Maurice W.	\$3,750.00
Nevada Tri Partners	\$3,500.00
Bella Luna Ristorante	\$3,000.00

Also donating \$3,000: K-Kel, Inc.; Magic Lens, Inc.; Retail Association of Nevada; and Whitehead & Whitehead.

## Communications & Electronics

**Total Contributions: \$179,800.00**

**Percent of Total: 5.8%**

<b>Recipients</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Mason, John	\$132,200.00	73.5%
Hardesty, James	\$10,750.00	6.0%
Steel, Cynthia Dianne	\$10,000.00	5.6%
Parraguirre, Ron	\$8,000.00	4.4%
Smith, Douglas	\$7,000.00	3.9%
Ashworth, Don	\$6,500.00	3.6%
Douglas, Michael L.	<u>\$5,350.00</u>	<u>3.0%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$179,800.00</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Univision (Various Divisions)	\$60,000.00
Las Vegas Color Graphics	\$15,000.00
Sunbelt Communications Co.	\$12,000.00
Cahill, Diana D.& Robert V.	\$10,000.00
Concord Records, Inc.	\$10,000.00
Geffen, David c/o Richard Sherman, C.P.A.	\$10,000.00
Keith, Toby & Covell, Tricia	\$7,500.00
Guzy, Jim	\$5,000.00
Sunbelt Communications Co	\$5,000.00
Same Day Banner	\$4,500.00
Blackstock, Narvel & McEntire, Reba	\$4,000.00
Kranwinkle, Susan W & Douglas C	\$4,000.00
Broadcast Music, Inc.	\$3,750.00
Scotti, Anthony J.	\$3,000.00
Telegraph Associates	\$2,700.00
LV Printing Press	\$2,500.00
Demann, Frederick & Andrea	\$2,000.00
Newton, Wayne	\$2,000.00
Oco, LLC	\$2,000.00
Behar, Jose A. & Habib-Behar, Jamie	\$1,000.00
Bendheim Enterprises Inc.	\$1,000.00
Block, Wendy & Charles	\$1,000.00
Brittenham, Skip M. c/o The Management Group	\$1,000.00
Erlach, Michelle	\$1,000.00

Also donating \$1,000:Fischbacher, Siegfried; Horn, Roy; McMurty, Burton & Deedee; and Sawyer Brown, Inc.

## Construction

**Total Contributions: \$176,856.83**

**Percent of Total: 5.7%**

<b>Recipients</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Hardesty, James	\$67,201.83	38.0%
Mason, John	\$50,855.00	28.7%
Parraguirre, Ron	\$39,200.00	22.2%
Smith, Douglas	\$10,850.00	6.1%
Douglas, Michael L.	\$3,000.00	1.7%
Ashworth, Don	\$2,950.00	1.7%
Steel, Cynthia Dianne	\$2,500.00	1.4%
Hansen, Joel	\$300.00	0.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$176,856.83</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Nevada Subcontractors Assn- PAC	\$30,000.00
Christopher Homes, LLC	\$10,000.00
HI PAC (HOME BUILDERS ASSN)	\$8,000.00
Marnell Corrao Associates	\$7,331.83
Olympia Land Corporation	\$7,000.00
RVS Southwest LLC	\$6,000.00
Sharp Plumbing, Inc.	\$5,000.00
Klai Juba Architects	\$5,000.00
Interstate Plumbing & Air Conditioning	\$5,000.00
Engs, Stuart R.	\$5,000.00
Schumacher, K.	\$4,500.00
Norman Construction, LLC	\$4,000.00
Landmark Homes & Development	\$4,000.00
American West Development, Inc.	\$3,500.00
Q & D Construction, Inc.	\$3,500.00
Hill, Stevens D. & Molly K.	\$3,000.00
TIBERTI, J. A. CONSTRUCTION CO	\$3,000.00
Sierra Air Conditioning, Inc.	\$3,000.00
Builders Assn of Northern NV	\$2,740.00
Illai & Juba	\$2,500.00
Construction Industry Committee	\$2,250.00
Astoria Homes, LLC	\$2,000.00
Efficient Electric	\$2,000.00

Also donating \$2,000: Knipp Brothers Industries, LLC; Krump Construction; Lifestyle Homes; Mt. View Estates/Bill Walters; Pulte Homes of Nevada; Steel Engineers and Sun City Landscapes.

## Unknown

**Total Contributions: \$140,287.68**

**Percent of Total: 4.5%**

<b>Recipients</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Hardesty, James	\$43,936.68	31.3%
Mason, John	\$37,431.00	26.7%
Smith, Douglas	\$14,200.00	10.1%
Hansen, Joel	\$13,720.00	9.8%
Parraguirre, Ron	\$13,600.00	9.7%
Ashworth, Don	\$7,450.00	5.3%
Douglas, Michael L.	\$5,200.00	3.7%
Steel, Cynthia Dianne	<u>\$4,750.00</u>	<u>3.4%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$140,287.68</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Elmo, Robert A.	\$5,000.00
Dirienzo, Frederick & Margaret	\$4,000.00
Bagott, Shug & Alcy	\$2,750.00
Sheppard, Michael & Bobby	\$2,500.00
Berman, Rod & Fabienne	\$2,000.00
Root, Angie	\$2,000.00
Tropp, Jale & Warrant	\$2,000.00
Blaney, Robert H.	\$1,500.00
Miller, Scott & Tamara	\$1,500.00
Martz, Charlotte & John	\$1,200.00
Ahlstrom, Debra	\$1,000.00
Akert, William B.	\$1,000.00
Breelar, Eric	\$1,000.00
Collins, M.M. & Pauline	\$1,000.00
Dahl, N	\$1,000.00
Goldstein, David M.	\$1,000.00
Hanlan, David	\$1,000.00
Herbert, Carl	\$1,000.00
Keller, James H., SEC	\$1,000.00
Lawton, Rick & Linda	\$1,000.00
Lupcho, Rich	\$1,000.00
Nelson, C	\$1,000.00
Peterson, Scott	\$1,000.00
Robinson, Lynda	\$1,000.00
Spregler, Henry B.	\$1,000.00
Tew, W	\$1,000.00

**Small Contributions****Total Contributions: \$66,978.26 Percent of Total: 2.2%**

<b>Recipients</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Hardesty, James	\$14,510.00	21.7%
Parraguirre, Ron	\$11,297.00	16.9%
Smith, Douglas	\$8,175.00	12.2%
Brown, Lori Lipman	\$7,623.00	11.4%
Ashworth, Don	\$7,192.76	10.7%
Steel, Cynthia Dianne	\$6,290.00	9.4%
Douglas, Michael L.	\$5,771.00	8.6%
Mason, John	\$3,837.50	5.7%
Hansen, Joel	<u>\$2,282.00</u>	<u>3.4%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$66,978.26</b>	<b>100%</b>

## Transportation

**Total Contributions: \$61,265**

**Percent of Total: 2.0%**

<b>Recipients</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Hardesty, James	\$25,700.00	42.0%
Parraguirre, Ron	\$16,915.00	27.6%
Steel, Cynthia Dianne	\$6,000.00	9.8%
Mason, John	\$6,000.00	9.8%
Smith, Douglas	\$3,500.00	5.7%
Douglas, Michael L.	\$1,700.00	2.8%
Ashworth, Don	\$1,250.00	2.0%
Hansen, Joel	<u>\$200.00</u>	<u>0.3%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$61,265.00</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
ANLV Cab, Vegas-Western Cab & Virgin Valley Cab	\$9,000.00
Reno Dodge	\$6,000.00
NADEAC- NV Auto Dealers Election Action Comm.	\$5,200.00
Nellis Cab Company	\$5,000.00
Towbin Hummer Superstore	\$5,000.00
Champion Chevrolet	\$3,250.00
Western Cab Company	\$3,000.00
CARGO	\$2,000.00
Lake Tahoe Lodging, Inc.	\$2,000.00
Lexus of Reno	\$2,000.00
Nevada Yellow Cab	\$2,000.00
R&S Investments, Ltd.	\$2,000.00
Reno Toyota	\$2,000.00
Truck Parts & Equipment Co.	\$1,550.00
Scott Motor Co.	\$1,250.00
Bell Trans Whittlesea Blue Cab	\$1,000.00
Diamond Inn Motel	\$1,000.00
Raffealli, Sandra & John	\$1,000.00
Reno Jeep Chrysler	\$1,000.00
Thrifty Car Sales	\$1,000.00
Bodell, Robert	\$500.00

Also donating \$500: Campagni, Richard; Ford Country; Golden Road Motor Inn; Las Vegas Harley Davidson; Lee Bros. Leasing; Silver State International; and Warthen Buick.

## Health

**Total Contributions: \$51,572.51**

**Percent of Total: 1.7%**

<b>Recipients</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Hardesty, James	\$22,133.51	42.9%
Parraguirre, Ron	\$7,050.00	13.7%
Mason, John	\$6,300.00	12.2%
Steel, Cynthia Dianne	\$5,250.00	10.2%
Douglas, Michael L.	\$4,400.00	8.5%
Smith, Douglas	\$3,000.00	5.8%
Ashworth, Don	\$2,839.00	5.5%
Hansen, Joel	\$600.00	1.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$51,572.51</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Sierra Health Services, Inc.	\$5,000.00
Med Pac Clark County Physicians	\$4,000.00
R.D. Prabhu-Lata Shete MDS, Ltd.	\$4,000.00
Matsumura, J. & G.	\$3,250.00
NV Medical PAC NEMPAC	\$3,000.00
McMullen, Dr. Joe & Cheryl	\$1,523.33
Greenwald, E. James	\$1,500.00
Sierra Medical PAC	\$1,500.00
Fremont Primary Care	\$1,000.00
Stoker, Michael DDS & Deborah L.	\$1,000.00
Gastroenterology Center	\$1,000.00
Meyer, Roger P. MD	\$1,000.00
Mishfer, William G. MD	\$1,000.00
Nevada Cancer Center	\$1,000.00
Gupta, Vinod	\$1,000.00
Nevada Orthopaedics and Rehab.	\$1,000.00
Hayman, Robert & Denise	\$1,000.00
Dooley, John E., M.D.	\$926.85
Erickson, John MD	\$833.33
Candela, Joseph Vincent M.D., Chtd.	\$750.00
Forsyth, Dr. James & Earlene	\$750.00
Daulat, Dr. J.H., PC	\$650.00
Bruce, Merlo F., MD & Joy M.	\$600.00
Truchard, Dr. Tony & JoAnne	\$600.00

**Other (Retirees, Civil Servants, Public Officials...)**

**Total Contributions: \$44,407.00**

**Percent of Total: 1.4%**

<b>Recipients</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Hardesty, James	\$17,857.00	40.2%
Mason, John	\$9,250.00	20.8%
Douglas, Michael L.	\$9,100.00	20.5%
Parraguirre, Ron	\$4,000.00	9.0%
Smith, Douglas	\$2,950.00	6.6%
Ashworth, Don	\$1,000.00	2.3%
Steel, Cynthia Dianne	<u>\$250.00</u>	<u>0.6%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$44,407.00</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Mihayto, Steven C.	\$10,000.00
Committee to Re-Elect Judge Gates	\$5,000.00
Silver, William	\$2,500.00
Miller, Stephen	\$2,000.00
Pescetta, Michael	\$2,000.00
Thompson, David	\$2,000.00
Peters, James R.	\$1,500.00
Anderson, J. Robert & Carole	\$1,407.00
Kim, Benjamin	\$1,300.00
Cohen, Robert	\$1,000.00
Morrey, Joseph J.	\$1,000.00
Parraguirre, Kathleen	\$1,000.00
Prothro, Caren H.	\$1,000.00
Smallwood, Rod & Evelyn	\$1,000.00
Walsh, Edward & Gwendolyn	\$1,000.00
Furlong, Cindy	\$750.00
Laub, William M., Sr.	\$750.00
Seevers, Leo & Diane	\$550.00
Barney, Carl B.	\$500.00
Batjer, Cameron	\$500.00
Bing, Jerry	\$500.00
Cohen, David	\$500.00

Also donating \$500: Helford, Irwin; Huckabay, Durwood A & Susan S.; Markwell, Terry & Christianne; Morse, Tim; Parraguirre, Jean; Pfeifer, Isabel A.; Richardson, Louis & Vicki; Shafer, Jared & Claire; and Slade, Virgil W.

## Energy/Natural Resources

**Total Contributions: \$32,000.00**

**Percent of Total: 1.0%**

<b>Recipients</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Parraguirre, Ron	\$11,000.00	34.4%
Hardesty, James	\$11,000.00	34.4%
Douglas, Michael L.	\$5,000.00	15.6%
Mason, John	\$4,500.00	14.1%
Smith, Douglas	<u>\$500.00</u>	<u>1.5%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$32,000.00</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Sierra Pacific/Nevada Power	\$11,500.00
Republic Silver State Disposal	\$4,500.00
Liberty Oil and Refining Assoc., Inc.	\$4,000.00
Barrick Management Corp	\$3,500.00
Terribel Herbst	\$2,500.00
Tuccori, Leo	\$2,000.00
Barneson, John & Martha	\$2,000.00
Southwest Gas Corp	\$1,500.00
Haycock Petroleum	\$500.00

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**Party**

**Total Contributions: \$25,261.00**

**Percent of Total: 0.8%**

<b>Recipients</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Parraguirre, Ron	\$7,400.00	29.3%
Mason, John	\$6,392.00	25.3%
Hardesty, James	\$4,600.00	18.2%
Douglas, Michael L.	\$2,700.00	10.6%
Steel, Cynthia Dianne	\$2,469.00	9.8%
Ashworth, Don	\$700.00	2.8%
Smith, Douglas	\$500.00	2.0%
Hansen, Joel	<u>\$500.00</u>	<u>2.0%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$25,261.00</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Sisolak, Steve	\$4,000.00
Raggio Senate Campaign	\$3,400.00
Douglas County Central Republican Committee	\$3,250.00
Gibbons, Jim & Dawn	\$3,000.00
Searchlight Leadership Fund	\$1,500.00
Sierra Nevada Republican Women	\$1,500.00
Ahlstrom, Daniel	\$1,200.00
Cashell, Sr., Robert	\$1,000.00
The Big Elephant Club	\$1,000.00
Townsend for Sentate	\$1,000.00
Carson City Republican Central Committee	\$855.00
Truesdell for City Council	\$750.00
Vucanovich, Barbara F.	\$500.00
Warden, Mark	\$500.00
Paradise Democratic Club	\$400.00
Republican Women of Las Vegas	\$400.00
Active Republican Women's Club	\$356.00
Steele, Judith	\$250.00
Dondero, Thalia	\$200.00
Republican Women of Reno	\$200.00

### Ideology/Single Issue

**Total Contributions: \$15,500.00**

**Percent of Total: 0.5%**

<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Parraguirre, Ron	\$5,000.00	32.3%
Mason, John	\$3,000.00	19.3%
Hardesty, James	\$3,000.00	19.3%
Hansen, Joel	\$2,000.00	12.9%
Steel, Cynthia Dianne	\$1,000.00	6.5%
Smith, Douglas	\$1,000.00	6.5%
Douglas, Michael L.	<u>\$500.00</u>	<u>3.2%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$15,500.00</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>Top Contributors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Midby, Bonny	\$2,500.00
Gale, Jane	\$2,500.00
Traitel, David T.	\$2,000.00
Primm, Roger	\$2,000.00
National Rifle Association	\$2,000.00
U.S. Justice Association	\$1,000.00
Schafley, Phyllis	\$1,000.00
French, Doug	\$1,000.00
Conservancy Trust, The c/o Robert J. Lissner	\$1,000.00
National Black Forum of Public Administration	\$500.00

## Labor

**Total Contributions: \$10,447.57**

**Percent of Total: 0.3%**

<b>Recipients</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Douglas, Michael L.	\$4,197.57	40.2%
Hardesty, James	\$2,500.00	23.9%
Parraguirre, Ron	\$2,000.00	19.1%
Smith, Douglas	<u>\$1,750.00</u>	<u>16.8%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,447.57</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
NSEA (Teachers)	\$3,000.00
So CA-NV Regional Council of Carpenters	\$2,250.00
Nevada State AFL-CIO	\$1,000.00
Laborers International Union	\$1,000.00
Sheet Metal Workers International Assn	\$500.00
PAC Local 525	\$500.00
Operating Engineers Local 3, District 11 PAC	\$500.00
International Union of Engineers	\$500.00
IBEW Local Union 1245	\$500.00
Laborers International #872	\$250.00
District Council of Iron Workers	\$250.00
Southwest Regional Council of Carpenters	\$197.57

## Agriculture

**Total Contributions: \$9,450.98**

**Percent of Total: 0.3%**

<b>Recipients</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Douglas, Michael L.	\$5,500.00	58.2%
Hardesty, James	\$2,700.98	28.6%
Smith, Douglas	\$750.00	7.9%
Parraguirre, Ron	<u>\$500.00</u>	<u>5.3%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$9,450.98</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>Top Donors</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Vantage Ice Cream, Inc.	\$5,000.00
Scolari's Food and Drug Co.	\$2,200.98
Moana Nursery	\$1,000.00
Anderson Dairy	\$750.00
Hakim Enterprises dba Carey Mini Mart	\$500.00

**Top Contributors gave \$1,474,728.50 (47.7%)**

<b>Contributor</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Mason, John	\$429,369.17
Mandalay Bay Group	\$79,454.61
Univision	\$60,000.00
Small contributions	\$59,785.50
MGM Mirage	\$53,500.00
Boyd Gaming Corp	\$33,050.00
Lionel Sawyer & Collins	\$31,897.50
Nevada Subcontractors Assn- PAC	\$30,000.00
Steel, Cynthia Dianne	\$27,004.97
Station Casinos	\$26,057.82
Coast Hotels & Casinos	\$25,000.00
Fitzsimmons, Laura Wightman	\$25,000.00
IGT	\$25,000.00
Harrah's	\$23,500.00
Ashworth, Don W.	\$22,500.00
Harrison Kemp & Jones, LLP	\$21,750.00
Echeverria Law Office	\$21,000.00
Jones & Vargas	\$20,288.93
Chartwell Partners LLC	\$20,000.00
Merrill Lynch Trust Company, FSB	\$20,000.00
Perenchio, John G. & Stephanie F.	\$20,000.00
McDonald Carano Wilson LLP	\$18,750.00
Engelstad Family Trust	\$17,500.00
Sunbelt Communications Co.	\$17,000.00
Hansen, Joel	\$16,470.00
Canepa Riedy & Rubino	\$16,000.00
QuonBruce Law Firm	\$15,500.00
Binion, Jack B.	\$15,000.00
Black, Robert Sr.	\$15,000.00
Frankewich Ltd	\$15,000.00
Las Vegas Color Graphics	\$15,000.00
Beckley Singleton, Chtd.	\$14,000.00
NV Beer Wholesalers/NV Beverage Co	\$14,000.00
Crockett & Meyers	\$13,000.00
Caesars Entertainment	\$12,000.00
Keystate Corp Management	\$12,000.00
Western Nevada Supply Co.	\$12,000.00
Sierra Pacific/Nevada Power	\$11,500.00
Treppid	\$10,500.00
Bradley Drendel & Jeanney	\$10,350.00
Cahill, Diana D.& Robert V.	\$10,000.00
Christopher Homes, LLC	\$10,000.00
Concord Records, Inc.	\$10,000.00
Geffen, David c/o Richard Sherman, C.P.A.	\$10,000.00
Goldring, Hertz & Lichtenstein, LLP	\$10,000.00
Lambrose, John	\$10,000.00
LV Golf Holdings/LV Preferred	\$10,000.00
Mainor Eglet Cottle, LLP	\$10,000.00
Marshall Family Limited Partnership	\$10,000.00
Mihayto, Steven C.	\$10,000.00
Sartini, Blake (formerly with Station Casinos)	\$10,000.00
Schreck Brignone	\$10,000.00
Windsock Holdings, LLC	<u>\$10,000.00</u>
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$1,474,728.50</b>



# PLAN's Mission Statement

PLAN's mission is to create more progressive state policies in Nevada through research, public education and leadership development. PLAN works to develop organizing, electoral, and fundraising capacity within the grassroots membership organizations of the coalition, to provide technical and research assistance to the progressive community in Nevada, and to forge coalition campaigns around key issues pertaining to racial, environmental, and economic justice issues. PLAN aims to take on Nevada's business-as-usual, "money talks" state political structure and work for more effective citizen participation in state and local government.

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Culinary Workers Union Local #226  
Food Bank of Northern NV, Inc  
Friends of Nevada Wilderness  
Gay, Lesbian, & Straight Education Network (GLSEN)  
Great Basin Mine Watch  
Human Services Network  
Laborers International Union of America #169  
Latinos for Political Empowerment (LAPE)  
National Association of Social Workers-Nevada  
(NASW)  
Nevada Conservation League  
Nevada Lawyers for Progressive Policy  
Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth  
Nevada State Education Association  
Nevada Shakespeare Company  
Nevada Trial Lawyers Association  
Nevada Women's Lobby  
Northern Nevada Building Trades Council  
NOW, Southern NV Chapter  
Operating Engineers, Local 3  
Planned Parenthood Mar Monte of Northern Nevada  
Planned Parenthood of Southern Nevada  
Reno Anti-War Coalition  
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony  
Reno-Sparks NAACP  
Service Employees International Union, Local 1107  
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