

SAMPLE POSITION PAPER

Committee:

Topic:

Senator/Expert:

A. Background Information

Write a brief summary or outline of the topic. Describe each side of the issue and what positives and negatives arise from both perspectives.

B. Political Involvement

What involvement does your expert or senator have in this issue? Has your senator worked on a previous bill to limit corporate control in politics? Have they been promoting unlimited campaign finance under the concept of freedom of speech? If you are a senator, what has your party done to either combat or aid the growing influence of campaign financing? Is your group responsible for issues involving campaign finance reform? How has your group possibly benefited from campaign finance? How has your group been negatively affected by campaign finance? How has your group tried to fix these issues?

C. Possible Solutions

What solutions are being used today? How effective are these solutions? What new and innovative ideas could be implemented? How will you choose to combat the issue of hard money and soft money?