



## ALL Team Scores Win in Basketball Game and for Charities

WASHINGTON (Sept. 25, 2008) - The American League of Lobbyists (ALL) came away with a dominant 47-32 win over congressional members in a fight on the basketball court for charity at the George Washington University Sept. 15.

Putting partisan politics aside, lobbyists and congressional members and staffers took to the court at the Hoops for Youth Foundation's 10<sup>th</sup> annual Hoops for Hope All-Star Classic. The American League of Lobbyists was a sponsor of the event, and fielded two teams of its members for games against congressional staff and members of Congress.

The members of Congress hoped to avenge last year's loss to the ALL by recruiting two freshman members of the House, Brad Ellsworth, D-Ind., and Steve Scalise, R-La., but they were no match for the ALL team. Georgetown University basketball coach, John Thompson III, who coached the members, tried to rally his players in the second half by yelling into the microphone to distract the ALL team, but his efforts were in vain.

Rep. Jay Inslee, D-Wash., was the leading scorer for the members, while Paul Miller of Miller/Wenhold Strategies led the way for the ALL under the coaching of the George Washington University's Karl Hobbs.

The staffers, on the other hand, eked out a 42-40 win over the ALL II team. The staffers set the tone with a three-pointer by Melissa Shannon, an aide to House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, but were behind for most of the game. Facing a nine-point deficit at the end of the third quarter, the staffers mounted a comeback and won the game on a couple of crucial free throws by Andy Keiser and Jeff Mortier.

While the games provided bragging rights to those who won, they also raised money for several Washington, D.C.-area children's charities through the Hoops for Youth Foundation. A silent auction was also held to help raise funds. More than \$400,000 has been raised since the event's inception.

For more information on Hoops for Hope, and to make donations to the Hoops for Youth Foundation, please visit <http://www.alldc.org/programs/hoopsforcharity08.cfm>. Pictures and video of the event are forthcoming.

**The American League of Lobbyists (ALL)**, established in 1979 as a nonprofit organization, is the national professional association dedicated exclusively to lobbying. ALL's mission is to enhance the development of professionalism, competence and high ethical standards for advocates in the public policy arena, and to collectively address challenges affecting the first amendment right to "petition the government for redress of grievances." ALL actively encourages the advancement of ethical lobbying practice and is dedicated to supporting the lobbying community through programs such as the [Lobbying Certificate Program \(LCP\)](#) and ethics training.

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Hoops for Youth Foundation  
10<sup>th</sup> Annual Hoops for Hope  
Sept. 15, 2008  
Team Rosters

**The Congressional Team Rosters**

Members of Congress

[Hon. Willam Lacy Clay \(D-MO\)](#)

[Hon. Brad Ellsworth \(D-IN\)](#)

[Hon. Mike Ferguson \(R-NJ\)](#)

[Hon. Jeff Flake \(R-AZ\)](#)

[Hon. Jay Inslee \(D-WA\)](#)

[Hon. Rick Larsen \(D-WA\)](#)

[Hon. Frank LoBiondo \(R-NJ\)](#)

[Hon. Todd Russell Platts \(R-PA\)](#)

[Hon. Steve Scalise \(R-LA\)](#)

[Hon. John Shimkus \(R-IL\)](#)

[Hon. Todd Tiahrt \(R-KS\)](#)

Staff Team

Kurt Bardella ([Speaker Nancy Pelosi](#))

Brendan Daly ([Speaker Nancy Pelosi](#))

Andy Kaiser ([Rep. Mike Rogers](#))

Wes McClelland ([Rep. John Campbell](#))

Todd Mitchell (Rep. Rob Simmons)

Karin Moore ([Rep. Dan Lungren](#))

Jeff Mortier ([Rep. Ed Whitfield](#))

Erik Olson ([Rep. Ron Kind](#))

Steve Perrotta ([Sen. Richard Burr](#))

Melissa Shannon ([Speaker Nancy Pelosi](#))

Keith Stern ([Rep. James McGovern](#))

Andrew Stoddard ([Speaker Nancy Pelosi](#))

**The ALL Team Rosters**

ALL Team

Andy Blocker – [New York Stock Exchange](#)

Dan Cohen – [US Oncology](#)

Geoff Gonella – [Cornerstone Government Affairs](#)

Booth Jameson – [EDS](#)

Brad Knox – [AFLAC](#)

Danny Leonard – [The Leonard Group](#)

Jim Martin – [60 Plus Association](#)

Mike Meehan – [BGR Holding](#)

Paul Miller – [Miller/Wenhold Capitol Strategies, LLC](#)

Brian Pallasch – [American Society of Civil Engineers](#)

Brad Rossin – [AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals](#)

Brian Wagner – [The Boeing Company](#)

Monte Ward – [Advanced Capitol Consulting](#)  
Dave Wenhold – [Miller/Wenhold Capitol Strategies, LLC](#)

ALL II Team

Josh Brown – [CBS Corporation](#)  
Ray Bucheger – [Friedmann, Beaubien, Bucheger Federal Relations](#)  
John Byrd – [John M. Palatiello & Associates](#)  
Casey Dinges – [American Society of Civil Engineers](#)  
Stephanie Holland – [Squadra Films & Entertainment](#)  
Paul Kanitra – [Carfax](#)  
Jackie Kelly – [American Trucking Association](#)  
Gina Mahony – [Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck PC](#)  
Antonio Payne – [NOPA-OFDA](#)  
Jess Peterson – Western Sky Strategies  
Brian Reardon – [Venn Strategies, LLC](#)  
John Savercool – [UBS Americas](#)