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# **U.S. House of Representatives**

#### COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

September 15, 2015

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The Honorable Candice Miller Chairman Committee on House Administration 1309 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Miller:

In accordance with the regulations of the Committee on House Administration, I am submitting herewith the monthly report for August including:

- 1. Summary of Progress and projected programs;
- 2. Statements of Expenses under H.R. 132 (114th Congress, 1<sup>st</sup> Session); and Statements of Expenses under H.R. 115B (113<sup>th</sup> Congress, 2<sup>nd</sup> Session); and
- 3. A listing of Committee employees showing addresses, duties, and gross monthly salaries.

This letter certifies that copies of this report are available to each Member of the Committee on Ethics.

Sincerely,

Charles W. Dent Chairman

Enclosures

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#### **COMMITTEE ON ETHICS**

#### August 2015

The Committee continued to fulfill its responsibilities to advise and educate Members and staff on the laws, rules, and standards of conduct.<sup>1</sup> As a general matter, the Committee's activities in receiving and responding to requests for advice from House Members and staff are conducted on a confidential basis. The Committee received 11 requests for advisory opinions in August of 2015. Advisory materials the Committee has publicly released are available on the Committee's Web site at <u>http://ethics.house.gov/</u>.

In accordance with the Rules of the House of Representatives for the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress, the Committee continued to review and approve requests to accept privately-sponsored, officially-connected travel. The Committee received 57 such requests in August of 2015.

In addition, the Committee is required under House rules to offer annual ethics training to each Member, Delegate, Resident Commissioner, officer and employee of the House. Such training is mandatory for all House officers and employees. New Members, officers, and employees must receive training no later than 60 days after beginning service to the House. The Committee continued to provide such training in August of 2015. The Committee provided live training sessions attended by 147 individuals in August of 2015. The Committee also continued to provide training online and through a number of training videos. Additional information about the calendar of upcoming in-person training sessions and online training opportunities is available on the Committee's Web site at <u>http://ethics.house.gov/</u>.

The Committee released one public statement in August of 2015 regarding the matter of Representative Chaka Fattah. The statement is available, along with all previous reports and public statements, on the Committee's Web site at <u>http://ethics.house.gov/</u>.

The Committee released no general advisory reports in August of 2015. Prior general advisories are available on the Committee's Web site, at <u>http://ethics.house.gov/.</u>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> An enumeration of those laws and rules as they stood at the end of the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress is found in H. Rep. 113-727, *Summary of Activities, One Hundred Thirteenth Congress, A Report of the Committee on Ethics*, 113<sup>th</sup> Cong., 2d Sess. (January 2, 2015).

# Committee on Ethics H. Res. Resolution: 132

#### Statement of expenses from 8/1/2015 to 8/31/2015

Whole Committee - Funding Limit

#### Report Done: Monday, September 14, 2015

Category	August 2015	Cumulative For Funding Resolution: 132	8/31/2015
Staff Salaries	\$211,375.01	\$1,712,762.59	
Overtime	\$0.00	\$594.95	
Consultant Contracts	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Equipment	\$630.00	\$5,092.66	
Travel	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Rent, Communications and Utilities	\$2,309.42	\$18,327.34	
Printing and Reproduction	\$0.00	\$513.65	
Miscellaneous Other Services	\$0.00	\$1,045.20	
Specialized Training	\$0.00	\$700.00	
Training Expenses	\$0.00	\$3,198.00	
Representational Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Supplies and Materials	\$957.05	\$4,923.37	
Grand Total	\$215,271.48	\$1,747,157.76	

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	Committee	on Ethics	
	Fund Balance Staten	nent as of 8/3	1/2015
	All BOC codes		
Resolution: 132	Report Done:	9/14/2015	
Whole Committee - Funding Lin	nit		
Less Expenses		Total Authorizat	ion \$3,100,663.00
	Year Month		
	2015 January		\$212,657.53
	2015 February		\$221,010.48
	2015 March		\$219,643.45
	2015 April		\$222,947.33
	2015 May		\$225,964.97
	2015 June		\$216,657.28
	2015 July		\$213,005.24
	2015 August		\$215,271.48
	Total Committee Expens	ses to Date	\$1,747,157.76

Unexpended Authorization

\$1,353,505.24

#### Committee on Ethics H. Res. Resolution: 132F

Statement of expenses from 8/1/2015 to 8/31/2015

Whole Committee - Funding Limit

#### Report Done: Tuesday, September 15, 2015

Category	August 2015	Cumulative For Funding Resolution: 132F	8/31/2015
Staff Salaries	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Overtime	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Consultant Contracts	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Travel	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Rent, Communications and Utilities	\$16.50	\$430.00	
Printing and Reproduction	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Miscellaneous Other Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Specialized Training	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Training Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Representational Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Supplies and Materials	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Grand Total	\$16.50	\$430.00	

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#### Fund Balance Statement as of 8/31/2015

#### All BOC codes

Report Done: 9/15/2015

Whole Committee - Funding Limit

Less Expenses

Resolution: 132F

	Total Authorization	\$5,000.00
Year Month		
2015 January		\$110.72
2015 February		\$30.38
2015 March		\$31.94
2015 April		\$47.26
2015 May		\$149.98
2015 June		\$20.58
2015 July		\$22.64
2015 August		\$16.50
Total Committee Expenses	to Date	\$430.00
Unexpended Authorization		\$4,570.00

#### Committee on Ethics H. Res. Resolution: 132F

Statement of expenses from 7/1/2015 to 7/31/2015

Whole Committee - Funding Limit

#### Report Done: Tuesday, September 15, 2015

Category	July 2015	Cumulative For Funding Resolution: 132F	7/31/2015
Staff Salaries	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Overtime	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Consultant Contracts	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Travel	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Rent, Communications and Utilities	\$22.64	\$413.50	
Printing and Reproduction	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Miscellaneous Other Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Specialized Training	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Training Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Representational Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Supplies and Materials	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Grand Total	\$22.64	\$413.50	

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# Committee on Ethics

# Fund Balance Statement as of 7/31/2015

# All BOC codes

Resolution: 132F	Report Done:	8/27/2015	
Whole Committee - Funding Lim	nit		
Less Expenses		Total Authorization	\$5,000.00
	Year Month		
	2015 January		\$110.72
	2015 February		\$30.38
	2015 March		\$31.94
	2015 April		\$47.26
	2015 May		\$149.98
	2015 June		\$20.58
	2015 July		\$22.64
	Total Committee Expens	ses to Date	\$413.50
	Unexpended Authorization	on	\$4,586.50

#### Committee on Ethics H. Res. Resolution: 115B

Statement of expenses from 8/1/2015 to 8/31/2015

Whole Committee - Funding Limit

#### Report Done: Tuesday, September 15, 2015

Category	August 2015	Cumulative For Funding Resolution: 115B	8/31/2015
Staff Salaries	\$0.00	\$2,616,240.67	
Overtime	\$0.00	\$567.90	
Consultant Contracts	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Equipment	\$0.00	\$62,231.68	
Travel	\$0.00	\$4,356.85	
Rent, Communications and Utilities	\$0.00	\$25,147.20	
Printing and Reproduction	\$0.00	\$1,950.84	
Miscellaneous Other Services	\$0.00	\$152,175.00	
Specialized Training	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Training Expenses	\$0.00	\$46.00	
Representational Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Supplies and Materials	(\$2,088.10)	\$72,690.62	
Grand Total	(\$2,088.10)	\$2,935,406.76	

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#### Fund Balance Statement as of 8/31/2015

#### All BOC codes

Resolution: 115B

Report Done: 9/15/2015

Whole Committee - Funding Limit

Less Expenses

	Total Authorization	\$3,050,663.00
Year Month		
2014 January		\$193,184.22
2014 February		\$213,474.33
2014 March		\$218,789.27
2014 April		\$215,988.78
2014 May		\$221,877.21
2014 June		\$210,806.37
2014 July		\$232,185.56
2014 August		\$194,174.33
2014 September		\$209,215.92
2014 October		\$207,210.00
2014 November		\$233,797.13
2014 December		\$340,628.45
2015 January		\$123,654.74
2015 February		\$3,162.80
2015 March		\$58,221.17
2015 April		\$24.80
2015 May		\$61,099.78
2015 August	_	(\$2,088.10)
Total Committee Expenses	to Date	\$2,935,406.76
Unexpended Authorization		\$115,256.24

# AUGUST 2015 STANDING COMMITTEE STAFF **COMMITTEE ON ETHICS**

NAMES	ADDRESSES	DUTIES	MONTHLY SALARIES
David Arrojo	Washington, DC	Counsel	9,583.33
Craig Barber	Waldorf, MD	System Administrator	6,562.50
Melanie Baucom	Washington, DC	Financial Disclosure Clerk (Terminated 8/9/15)	2,187.50
Deborah Bethea	Washington, DC	Senior Financial Disclosure Manager	10,291.67
Teri K. Dees	Washington, DC	Senior Counsel	11,666.67
Kathryn Donahue	Washington, DC	Counsel (Appointed 8/16/15)	4,791.67
Brittany Dowell	Arlington, VA	Staff Assistant	1,875.00
Robert Eskridge	Silver Spring, MD	Counsel	10,000.00
Audrey Hickenlooper	Fairfax, VA	Staff Assistant	2,708.33
Christian Hollowell	Upper Marlboro, MD	Staff Assistant	2,500.00
Nadia Konstantinova	Washington, DC	Counsel	9,583.33
Michael Koren	Washington, DC	Staff Assistant	2,500.00
Molly McCarty	Alexandria, VA	Investigative Clerk	3,333.33
Patrick McMullen	Washington DC	Director of Investigations	13,541.67
Sarah Myers Mutschall	Lorton, VA	Counsel	9,583.33
Tamar Nedzar	Alexandria, VA	Senior Counsel	11,666.67
Thomas A. Rust	Washington, DC	Staff Director And Chief Counsel	14,375.00
Tonya Sloans	Washington, DC	Counsel	10,000.00
Tonia Smith	Laurel, MD	Director of Advice And Education	13,541.67
Wendy F. Smith	Washington, DC	Counsel	10,000.00
Clifford Stoddard, Jr.	Upper Marlboro, MD	Counsel to the Chairman	12,500.00
Christopher Tate	Arlington, VA	Counsel	11,666.67
Daniel Taylor	Arlington, VA	Counsel to the Ranking Member	12,500.00
Adam Wambold	Arlington, VA	Staff Assistant	2,500.00
Joanne White	Ft. Wash, MD	Administrative Staff Director	11,916.67