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

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

September 12, 2017

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The Honorable Gregg Harper Chairman Committee on House Administration 1309 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

### Dear Chairman Harper:

In accordance with the regulations of the Committee on House Administration, I am submitting herewith the monthly report for August 2017 including:

- 1. Summary of Progress and projected programs;
- 2. Statement of Expenses under Proposed H. Res 83-1 (115th Congress, 1st Session); and
- A listing of Committee employees showing addresses, duties, and gross monthly salaries;
   and
- 4. A report on travel.

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

Sincerely,

Susan W. Brooks Chairwoman

**Enclosures** 

#### **COMMITTEE ON ETHICS**

#### **August 2017**

The Committee continued to fulfill its responsibilities to advise and educate Members and staff on the laws, rules, and standards of conduct.\(^1\) 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 23 requests for advisory opinions in August of 2017.

In accordance with the Rules of the House of Representatives for the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress, the Committee continued to review and approve requests to accept privately-sponsored, officially-connected travel. The Committee received 143 such requests in August of 2017.

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 2017. The Committee provided live training sessions attended by 124 individuals in August of 2017. 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 https://ethics.house.gov/.

In August 2017, the Committee issued a summary of its activities for July 2017 directed to the Committee on House Administration. This statement is publically available on the Committee on House Administration's website.

The Committee released five public statements in August of 2017 regarding the matters of: Representative Ben Ray Luján, Representative Roger Williams, Michael Collins, Representative John Conyers, Jr., and Representative Chris Collins. All other previous reports and public statements are available on the Committee's website at <a href="https://ethics.house.gov/">https://ethics.house.gov/</a>.

The Committee did not release any general advisory reports in August of 2017. Prior general advisories are available on the Committee's Web site at <a href="https://ethics.house.gov/">https://ethics.house.gov/</a>.

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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 114<sup>th</sup> Congress is found in H. Rep. 114-910, Summary of Activities, One Hundred Fourteenth Congress, A Report of the Committee on Ethics, 114<sup>th</sup> Cong., 2d Sess. (January 3, 2017).

# U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Ethics

# Monthly Statement by Paid Date 115-1 August

		YTD Including	
Description	August	August	Cumulative Total
Non-Statutory Compensation	\$222,767.06	\$1,712,094.24	\$1,712,094.24
Overtime Compensation	\$0.00	\$108.17	\$108.17
Accrued Leave	\$0.00	\$5,409.72	\$5,409.72
Bonus	\$0.00	\$8,949.54	\$8,949.54
11-Personnel Compensation subtotal	\$222,767.06	\$1,726,561.67	\$1,726,561.67
Commercial Transportation	\$0.00	\$3,402.40	\$3,402.40
Lodging	\$0.00	\$677.51	\$677.51
Meals	\$0.00	\$367.60	\$367.60
Taxi/Parking/Tolls	\$13.27	\$297.19	\$297.19
Witness Travel/Related Expenses	\$1,520.85	\$2,105.12	\$2,105.12
21-Travel subtotal	\$1,534.12	\$6,849.82	\$6,849.82
Temporary Space Rental	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
DC Telecommunication Equipment (TRANSFER)	\$730.00	\$24,036.00	\$24,036.00
DC Telecommunication Service (TRANSFER)	\$339.50	\$15,502.60	\$15,502.60
DC Telecommunication Tolls (TRANSFER)	\$2,730.62	\$7,865.00	\$7,865.00
Recording - (TRANSFER)	\$0.00	\$260.00	\$260.00
Franked Mail	\$59.78	\$413.37	\$413.37
23-Rent, Communications and Utilities subtotal	\$3,859.90	\$48,126.97	\$48,126.97
Printing & Reproduction	\$189.80	\$499.45	\$499.45
Photographic (TRANSFER)	\$0.00	\$90.00	\$90.00
24-Printing and Reproduction subtotal	\$189.80	\$589.45	\$589.45
Consultant Contract Service	\$0.00	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00
Technology Service Contracts	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
25-Other Services subtotal	\$0.00	\$2,700.00	\$2,700.00
Bottled Water	\$237.55	\$1,820.75	\$1,820.75
Office Supplies (Outside)	\$599.98	\$1,734.97	\$1,734.97
Office Supply (TRANSFER)	\$90.65	\$3,370.96	\$3,370.96
Publications/Reference Material	\$178.95	\$655.07	\$655,07
26-Supplies and Materials subtotal	\$1,107.13	\$7,581.75	\$7,581.75
Computer Softw Purch <\$10,000	\$0.00	\$595.00	\$595.00
Equipment & Software Maintenance	\$1,265.00	\$7,623.23	\$7,623.23
31-Equipment subtotal	\$1,265.00	\$8,218.23	\$8,218.23

**Total Expenses** 

\$230,723.01

\$1,800,627.89

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# U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Ethics

## Fund Balance Statement by Paid Date

## August

Total Aut 115-1	horization		\$3,340,663.00
Less Expens	ses for:		
January	2017	<del>V · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·</del>	\$258,150.81
February		<i>t</i> e	\$220,432.90
March			\$214,542.61
April			\$219,274.60
May			\$218,053.75
June		·	\$218,925.34
July			\$220,524.87
August			\$230,723.01

Total Expenses to Date:

\$1,800,627.89

Unexpended authorization

\$1,540,035.11

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONGRESS 115 SESSION 1 COMMITTEE ON ETHICS STAFF LISTING

August 2017

Employee Name	Address	Title	Gross Monthly Salary
David W Arrojo	Washington, DC	Legal Counsel	\$9,822.92
Craig J Barber	Washington, DC	System Administrator	\$6,726.56
Deborah R Bethea	Washington, DC	Senior Financial Disclosure Manager	\$10,548.96
Katherine Lee Dacey	Washington, DC	Investigative Counsel	\$9,583.33
Kathryn J.L. Donahue	Washington, DC	Legal Counsel	\$9,822.92
Robert Eskridge	Washington, DC	Legal Counsel	\$10,250.00
Olivia Gardner	Washington, DC	Staff Assistant	\$2,500.00
Donna K Herbert	Washington, DC	Director of Administration	\$8,750.00
Audrey Hickenlooper	Washington, DC	Advice and Education Clerk	\$3,854.17
Ken Evans Johnson	Washington, DC	Counsel	\$3,194.44
Andrew Kleiman	Washington, DC	Staff Assistant	\$2,500.00
Michael Koren	Washington, DC	Investigative Clerk	\$3,125.00
Margaret McCarty	Washington, DC	Investigator	\$5,000.00
Patrick M McMullen	Washington, DC	Director of Investigations	\$13,541.67
Sarah Myers-Mutschall	Washington, DC	Legal Counsel	\$9,822.92
Tamar Nedzar	Washington, DC	Senior Legal Counsel	\$11,958.33
Brittney L Pescatore	Washington, DC	Legal Counsel	\$9,822.92
Carl Ezekiel Ross	Washington, DC	Investigative Counsel	\$10,416.67
Thomas A Rust	Washington, DC	Staff Director/Chief Counsel	\$14,375.00
Megan Savage	Washington, DC	Chief of Staff and Counsel to the Chair	\$12,812.50
Tonya N Sloans	Washington, DC	Director of Advice and Education	\$10,250.00
Tonia R Smith	Washington, DC	Director of Advice and Education	\$13,541.67

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August 2017

Employee Name	Address	Title	Gross Monthly Salary
Wendy F Smith	Washington, DC	Legal Counsel	\$10,250.00
John L Szabo	Washington, DC	Legal Counsel	\$3,526.25
Daniel J Taylor	Washington, DC	Counsel to the Ranking Member	\$12,812.50
Adam D Wambold	Washington, DC	Professional Staff	\$3,958.33

## House Postal Operations NOVITEX ENTERPRISE SOLUTIONS

Committee on Ethics 1015 Longworth

## 115th Congress, 1st Session Mail Accountability Report August 2017

Date	Quantity	Total Cost				
08/01/2017	3	1.25				
08/02/2017	28	11.67				
08/03/2017	30	12.58				
08/08/2017	8	3,36				
08/16/2017	26	10.96				
08/18/2017	5	2.11				
08/24/2017	8 .	3.38				
08/25/2017	23	9.78				
08/31/2017	. 11	4.69				
Total	142	59.78				

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Lodging Meals Taxi, Bber, Parking	13.15	207.97	73.94																									
Meals	207.00	0.00	87.24																									
Codging	364.12	0.00	201.70																									
FIRM	603.30	346.40	699.60																									
Date of Travel	7/5/17 - 7/8/17	7/17/17 - 71/17/	8/3/17 - 8/4/17																								,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
Witness	Witness #1	Witness #2	Witness #3																									TOTAL