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**U.S. House of Representatives**

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

ONE HUNDRED FIFTEENTH CONGRESS

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WASHINGTON, DC 20515

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August 8, 2017

Honorable Gregg Harper, Chairman  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on House Administration  
1309 Longworth HOB  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Complying with regulations of the Committee on House Administration,  
I am submitting the monthly report for the Committee on Veterans' Affairs for the  
month of July 2017.

Attached are the following:

- (1) A statement of expenses and fund balance;
- (2) Summary of specific studies;
- (3) A statement of Committee travel;
- (4) A copy of the Committee payroll certification;

A copy of this report is furnished to the Ranking Member of the Committee, and  
the report is available for review by all Members.

Sincerely,



DAVID P. ROE, M.D.

Chairman

**U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on Veterans' Affairs**

**Fund Balance Statement by CHA Requirements  
July**

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**Total Authorization**

**115-1** **\$3,479,031.00**

**Less Expenses for:**

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January	2017	\$230,902.83
February		\$251,968.88
March		\$255,526.97
April		\$271,492.64
May		\$273,109.82
June		\$293,638.54
July		\$285,840.31

**Total Expenses to Date:** **\$1,862,479.99**

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**Unexpended authorization** **\$1,616,551.01**

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**Monthly Statement by CHA Requirements  
115-1 July**

Description	YTD Including		Cumulative Total
	July	July	
Non-Statutory Compensation	\$261,713.90	\$1,649,381.40	\$1,649,381.40
Accrued Leave	\$0.00	\$27,098.62	\$27,098.62
<b>11-Personnel subtotal</b>	<b>\$261,713.90</b>	<b>\$1,676,480.02</b>	<b>\$1,676,480.02</b>
Commercial Transportation	\$1,592.30	\$12,166.20	\$12,166.20
Lodging	\$1,128.21	\$7,350.78	\$7,350.78
Meals	\$610.34	\$2,484.15	\$2,484.15
Car Rental	\$406.85	\$1,723.00	\$1,723.00
Gasoline	\$11.21	\$34.43	\$34.43
Private Auto Mileage	\$51.62	\$154.72	\$154.72
Taxi/Parking/Tolls	\$279.44	\$1,362.45	\$1,362.45
<b>21-Travel subtotal</b>	<b>\$4,079.97</b>	<b>\$25,275.73</b>	<b>\$25,275.73</b>
DC Telecommunication Equipment (TRANSFER)	\$381.00	\$1,918.00	\$1,918.00
DC Telecommunication Service (TRANSFER)	\$436.25	\$2,578.75	\$2,578.75
DC Telecommunication Tolls (TRANSFER)	\$3,069.31	\$16,845.60	\$16,845.60
District Telecommunication Tolls (TRANSFER)	\$0.00	\$3,947.17	\$3,947.17
HIR Graphics (TRANSFER)	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
Postage/Courier/Box rental	\$0.00	\$54.49	\$54.49
<b>23-Rent, Communications and Utilities subtotal</b>	<b>\$3,886.56</b>	<b>\$25,354.01</b>	<b>\$25,354.01</b>
Printing & Reproduction	\$149.85	\$1,118.70	\$1,118.70
Office of the Clerk - Int Law	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Advertisements	\$0.00	\$79.00	\$79.00
<b>24-Printing and Reproduction subtotal</b>	<b>\$249.85</b>	<b>\$1,297.70</b>	<b>\$1,297.70</b>
Technology Service Contracts	\$10,155.00	\$71,085.00	\$71,085.00
Web Development, Hosting, Email and Related Services	\$350.00	\$10,026.67	\$10,026.67
<b>25-Other Services subtotal</b>	<b>\$10,505.00</b>	<b>\$81,111.67</b>	<b>\$81,111.67</b>
Bottled Water	\$113.84	\$736.98	\$736.98
Food and Beverage	\$429.81	\$976.16	\$976.16
Framing (TRANSFER)	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Office Supplies (Outside)	\$3,242.89	\$11,544.17	\$11,544.17
Office Supply (TRANSFER)	\$504.17	\$4,601.39	\$4,601.39
Publications/Reference Material	\$209.32	\$15,925.44	\$15,925.44
<b>26-Supplies and Materials subtotal</b>	<b>\$4,500.03</b>	<b>\$33,884.14</b>	<b>\$33,884.14</b>
Computer Hardware Purchase less than \$25,000	\$0.00	\$7,941.72	\$7,941.72

<b>Description</b>	<b>YTD Including</b>		<b>Cumulative Total</b>
	<b>July</b>	<b>July</b>	
Computer Software Purchase less than \$10,000	\$0.00	\$4,800.00	\$4,800.00
Equipment & Software Maintenance	\$905.00	\$6,335.00	\$6,335.00
<b>31-Equipment subtotal</b>	<b>\$905.00</b>	<b>\$19,076.72</b>	<b>\$19,076.72</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$285,840.31</b>	<b>\$1,862,479.99</b>	<b>\$1,862,479.99</b>

**SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC  
STUDIES AND INVESTIGATIONS**

**JULY**

PTSD Claims: Assessing Whether VBA is Effectively Serving Veterans  
July 25, 2017 @ 10:30

Markup of Pending Legislation  
July 19, 2017 @ 10:00

Legislative Hearing on H.R. 3218, the Harry W. Colmery Veterans Educational  
Assistance Act of 2017  
July 17, 2017 @ 7:30

Maximizing Access and Resources: An Examination of VA Productivity and  
Efficiency  
July 13, 2017 @ 2:00

Examining VA's Processing of Gulf War Illness Claims  
July 13, 2017 @ 9:30

Economic Opportunity Markup  
July 12, 2017 @ 2:00

Oversight and Investigations Markup  
July 12, 2017 @ 1:00

Care Where It Counts: Assessing VA's Capital Asset Needs  
July 12, 2017 @ 10:00

**TRAVEL/INVESTIGATIONS**

**JULY**

July 22 - 23, 2017 – New Orleans, LA

July 28 - 29, 2017 – New Orleans, LA

July 31 – August 4, 2017 – Dallas, TX

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PAYROLL CERTIFICATION - FINAL

07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017

Process Level: VR000 VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Accounting Organization: 10VR000

Department: VR000 VETERANS' AFFAIRS

SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE - PERSONNEL

Employee and Job Title	Annual Salary	Gross Pay	Period	Remarks	Employee No.
ANDERSON, GRIFFIN MCGREGOR PRESS SECRETARY	52,000.00	4,333.33	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
AUSTIN-MACKENZIE, ELIZABETH AN DEM STAFF DIRECTOR, HEALTH	110,000.00	9,166.67	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
BARON, KELSEY A PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER	74,000.00	6,166.67	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
BENNETT, CHRISTOPHER PATRICK PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER	65,000.00	5,416.67	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
BLAND, MEGAN LEA PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER	60,000.00	5,000.00	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
BLAYDES, CAROLYN E SUBCMTE STAFF DIRECTOR, DAMA	110,000.00	9,166.67	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
BONZANTO, TAMARA HEALTHCARE INVESTIGATOR	100,000.00	8,333.33	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
CENTANNI, AMY E INVESTIGATIVE COUNSEL	100,000.00	8,333.33	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
CLARK, JONATHAN ANDREW SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF DIRECTOR E	125,000.00	10,416.67	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
DALY, CECILIA M PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER	82,000.00	6,833.33	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
DICKINSON, HILLARY BRADSHAW LEGISLATIVE AIDE	50,000.00	4,166.67	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
DOTSON, BERNADINE N FIN ADMINISTRATOR/OFC MGR	123,000.00	10,250.00	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
GONZALEZ, SAMANTHA E SENIOR PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEM	92,000.00	7,666.67	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
HASAN, RASHEEDAH M EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	33,000.00	2,750.00	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
HAVERLY, TIFFANY MCGUFFEE SHARED EMPLOYEE	105,000.00	8,750.00	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
HILL, CHRISTINE O SUBCOMM STAFF DIR/HEALTH	138,000.00	11,500.00	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
HODNETTE, JONATHAN D SUBC STAFF DIR/CMTE COUNSEL	115,000.00	9,583.33	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
KELLEY, RAYMOND CHARLES MINORITY STAFF DIRECTOR	145,000.00	12,083.33	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		

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KESSLER, MATTHEW J STAFF ASSISTANT	33,000.00	2,750.00	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
LARGE, ALEXANDER PROF STAFF& COALITIONS DIRECTOR	70,000.00	5,833.33	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
MALLISON, WILLIAM F CONTRACT INVESTIGATOR	105,000.00	8,750.00	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
MCNAMEE, CHRISTOPHER PATRICK DEPUTY STAFF DIR/CHIEF COUNSEL	150,000.00	12,500.00	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
MEYER, MATTHEW P DIR OF MEMB SVS & STRAT OVERSI	80,000.00	6,666.67	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
MURRAY, CAROL S OFFICE MANAGER/LEG COORDINATOR	86,900.00	7,241.67	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
PONSETI, CAROLINE ELIZABETH PRESS SECRETARY	60,000.00	5,000.00	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
REEL, MATTHEW N DEPUTY STAFF DIRECTOR	130,000.00	10,833.33	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
RODDEN, GRACE E DEMOCRA STAFF DIR, OVERSIGHT	122,000.00	10,166.67	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
SEVERS, SARA V ACTING COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR	60,000.00	5,000.00	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
SMITH, KATHERINE LOIS RESEARCH ASSISTANT	40,000.00	3,888.89	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
STRAWCUTTER, ALISSA A CHIEF CLERK	80,000.00	6,666.67	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
TOWERS, JONATHAN A REPUBLICAN STAFF DIRECTOR	168,000.00	14,000.00	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
TRIPPLAAR, MARIA C STAFF DIRECTOR, DAMA	120,000.00	10,000.00	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
WESTMORELAND, GRAYSON D LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT	40,000.00	3,333.33	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		
YU, CATHY C DEM SUBCOM STAFF DIR, ECON OPP	110,000.00	9,166.67	07/01/2017 to 07/31/2017		

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Department	Employee Group	Expenditure	Active	Paid
VR000	SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE - PERSONNEL	\$261,713.90	34	34
VR000	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$261,713.90</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>34</b>

I CERTIFY THAT THE LISTED EMPLOYEES HAVE PERFORMED THEIR ASSIGNED OFFICIAL DUTIES FOR THE OFFICES OF THE EMPLOYING AUTHORITY, AND THAT THEY HAVE CERTIFIED THAT THEY HAVE NO RELATIONSHIP TO A CURRENT MEMBER OF CONGRESS, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED HEREON.

  
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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$261,713.90</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>34</b>

COMMENTS: (EXCEPTIONS MUST BE LISTED WITHIN THIS BOX)

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