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U.S. House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS  
Washington, DC 20515

January 17, 2013

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 three copies of the monthly report for December including:

1. Summary of Progress and projected programs;
2. Statements of Expenses under H.R. 496 (112<sup>th</sup> Congress, 2<sup>nd</sup> Session); and
3. A listing of Committee employees showing addresses, duties, and gross monthly salaries; and
4. A report of travel.

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

Sincerely,

  
K. Michael Conaway  
Chairman

Enclosures

## COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

### December 2012

The Committee continued to fulfill its responsibilities to advise and educate Members and staff on the laws, rules, and standards of conduct. (An enumeration of those laws and rules is found in H. Rep. 112-739, *Summary of Activities, One Hundred Twelfth Congress, A Report of the Committee on Ethics*, 112<sup>th</sup> Cong., 2d Sess. (December 31, 2012).) 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 7 requests for advisory opinions in December of 2012. Advisory materials the Committee has publicly released are available on the Committee's Web site, at <http://ethics.house.gov/>.

In accordance with the Rules of the House of Representatives of the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress, the Committee continued to review and approve requests to accept privately-sponsored, officially-connected travel. The Committee received 113 such requests in December of 2012.

In addition, the Committee is required under the 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, and new officers or employees must receive training not later than 60 days after beginning service to the House. The Committee continued to provide such training in December of 2012. The Committee provided live training sessions attended by 69 individuals in December of 2012. The Committee also continued to provide training online, 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 <http://ethics.house.gov/>.

The Committee released three general advisories in December of 2012. The Committee released a general advisory on December 4, titled *Member Swearing-in and Inauguration Day Receptions, and Attendance at Inaugural Events*, and two on December 27, titled *Rules Prohibiting Use of One's Official Position for Personal Gain*, and *Changes to Travel Regulations*. The general advisories are available on the Committee's Web site, at <http://ethics.house.gov/>.

The Committee released eight public statements regarding investigative matters in December of 2012 and two related to other matters. Chairman Jo Bonner and Ranking Member Linda Sánchez released two statements on December 14, 2012, announcing the extension of reviews upon referrals from the Office of Congressional Ethics in the matters of Representative Bill Owens and Aaron Schock, a statement on December 18, 2012, announcing a public meeting for the purpose of amending the Committee rules, three statements on December 20, 2012, announcing the conclusions of the matters of Representatives Gregory Meeks, Tim Ryan, and Shelley Berkley, and two statements on December 27, one announcing the adoption of new regulations concerning the acceptance of privately sponsored travel, and one announcing the conclusion of the matter of allegations concerning the "V.I.P." Loan Unit of Countrywide

Financial Corporation. The public statements and any related material are available on the Committee's Web site, at <http://ethics.house.gov/>.

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## Committee on Ethics

H. Res. Resolution: 496

Statement of expenses from 12/1/2012 to 12/31/2012

Whole Committee - Funding Limit

Report Done: Friday, January 11, 2013

<b>Category</b>	<b>December 2012</b>	<b>Cumulative For Funding Resolution: 496 12/31/2012</b>
Staff Salaries	\$206,939.78	\$2,580,220.52
Overtime	\$0.00	\$1,548.22
Consultant Contracts	\$0.00	\$0.00
Equipment	\$746.00	\$13,870.95
Travel	\$228.60	\$10,536.33
Rent, Communications and Utilities	\$2,986.29	\$24,571.71
Printing and Reproduction	\$26.00	\$684.32
Miscellaneous Other Services	\$2,865.45	\$694,059.69
Specialized Training	\$0.00	\$0.00
Training Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00
Representational Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Supplies and Materials	\$2,879.84	\$25,367.68
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$216,671.96</b>	<b>\$3,350,859.42</b>

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Fund Balance Statement as of 12/31/2012

All BOC codes

Resolution: 496

Report Done: 1/11/2013

Whole Committee - Funding Limit

Less Expenses

Total Authorization \$3,393,775.00

<u>Year</u>	<u>Month</u>	
2012	January	\$205,381.09
2012	February	\$222,738.76
2012	March	\$284,475.06
2012	April	\$221,515.50
2012	May	\$408,477.09
2012	June	\$290,517.03
2012	July	\$316,456.75
2012	August	\$325,234.96
2012	September	\$321,037.80
2012	October	\$322,217.05
2012	November	\$216,136.37
2012	December	\$216,671.96
Total Committee Expenses to Date		\$3,350,859.42
Unexpended Authorization		\$42,915.58

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Fund Balance Statement as of 12/31/2012

All BOC codes

Resolution: 496F

Report Done: 1/11/2013

Whole Committee - Funding Limit

Less Expenses

Total Authorization \$5,000.00

<u>Year</u>	<u>Month</u>	
2012	January	\$41.06
2012	February	\$25.28
2012	March	\$38.92
2012	April	\$66.21
2012	May	\$120.02
2012	June	\$18.29
2012	July	\$3,267.15
2012	August	\$117.68
2012	September	\$97.50
2012	October	\$111.00
2012	November	\$49.79
2012	December	\$32.18
Total Committee Expenses to Date		\$3,985.08
Unexpended Authorization		\$1,014.92

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Statement of expenses from 12/1/2012 to 12/31/2012

Whole Committee - Funding Limit

Report Done: Friday, January 11, 2013

<b>Category</b>	<b>December 2012</b>	<b>Cumulative For Funding Resolution: 496F</b>	<b>12/31/2012</b>
Staff Salaries	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Overtime	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Consultant Contracts	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Travel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Rent, Communications and Utilities	\$32.18	\$3,985.08	\$3,985.08
Printing and Reproduction	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous Other Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Specialized Training	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Training Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Representational Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Supplies and Materials	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$32.18</b>	<b>\$3,985.08</b>	


COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

DECEMBER 2012

STANDING COMMITTEE STAFF

<u>NAMES</u>	<u>ADDRESSES</u>	<u>DUTIES</u>	<u>MONTHLY SALARIES</u>
Craig Barber		System Administrator	6,250.00
Deborah Bethea		Senior Financial Disclosure Manager	9,876.98
Brittany Bohren		Investigative Clerk	3,333.33
Ambar Canales		Staff Assistant	2,708.33
Sheria Clarke		Counsel	10,000.00
Frank Davies		Senior Investigator	8,755.00
Teri K. Dees		Counsel	10,000.00
Carol Dixon		Director of Advice And Education	12,916.67
Robert Eskridge		Counsel	9,583.33
Donna Hayes		Staff Assistant	2,753.63
Heather Jones		Senior Counsel	11,666.67
Deborah Mayer		Director of Investigations	12,916.67
Patrick McMullen		Counsel	9,940.33



<u>NAMES</u>	<u>ADDRESSES</u>	<u>DUTIES</u>	<u>MONTHLY SALARIES</u>
Tamar Nedzar		Counsel	9,583.33
Thomas A. Rust		Senior Counsel	11,666.67
Daniel A. Schwager		Staff Director/Chief Counsel	14,375.00
Matthew Scott		Staff Assistant	2,708.33
Clifford Stoddard, Jr.		Senior Counsel	11,666.67
Kelle Strickland		Counsel to the Chairman	701.71
Christopher Tate		Counsel	9,583.33
Daniel Taylor		Counsel to the Ranking Member	11,951.67
Miguel Toruño		Senior Counsel	11,666.67
Hallie Tosher		Staff Assistant	2,500.00
Joanne White		Administrative Staff Director	10,192.46

Travel Performed: Committee on Ethics  
 12/1/2012 to 12/31/2012

Travel Order	Traveler	Begin	End	purpose	Pay ID	Date	Transportation	Per_Mem	Other	Total remarks
112B-16	Clifford Stoddard	12/10/2012	12/10/2012	Official Business	112B-051	12/12/2012	\$194.60	\$0.00	\$34.00	\$228.60
<b>Totals</b>							\$194.60	\$0.00	\$34.00	\$228.60