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January 19, 2016

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 December including:

1. Summary of Progress and projected programs;
2. Statements of Expenses under H.R. 132 (114th Congress, 1st Session); and
3. 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,

Charles W. Dent
Chairman

Enclosures

COMMITTEE
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COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

December 2015

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 12 requests for advisory opinions in December of 2015.

In accordance with the Rules of the House of Representatives for the 114th Congress, the Committee continued to review and approve requests to accept privately-sponsored, officially-connected travel. The Committee received 62 such requests in December 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 December of 2015. The Committee provided live training sessions attended by 328 individuals in December 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 <http://ethics.house.gov/>.

The Committee released 1 public statement in December of 2015 regarding the matter of Representative Jared Polis. All previous reports and public statements are available on the Committee's Web site at <http://ethics.house.gov/>.

The Committee released 1 general advisory report in December of 2015 regarding Holiday Guidance on the Gift Rule. Prior general advisories are available on the Committee's Web site, at <http://ethics.house.gov/>.

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

Committee on Ethics

H. Res. Resolution: 132

Statement of expenses from 12/1/2015 to 12/31/2015

Whole Committee - Funding Limit

Report Done: Thursday, January 14, 2016

Category	December 2015	Cumulative For Funding Resolution: 132 12/31/2015
Staff Salaries	\$229,210.08	\$2,742,562.12
Overtime	\$0.00	\$594.95
Consultant Contracts	\$0.00	\$0.00
Equipment	\$630.00	\$7,612.66
Travel	\$1,746.26	\$15,629.84
Rent, Communications and Utilities	\$3,222.85	\$32,124.98
Printing and Reproduction	\$65.00	\$807.15
Miscellaneous Other Services	\$4,800.00	\$5,845.20
Specialized Training	\$0.00	\$700.00
Training Expenses	\$1,691.50	\$5,189.50
Representational Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Supplies and Materials	\$20,369.73	\$52,993.64
Grand Total	\$261,735.42	\$2,864,060.04

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Fund Balance Statement as of 12/31/2015

All BOC codes

Resolution: 132

Report Done: 1/14/2016

Whole Committee - Funding Limit

Less Expenses

Total Authorization \$3,100,663.00

<u>Year Month</u>	
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
2015 September	\$258,519.45
2015 October	\$356,430.26
2015 November	\$240,217.15
2015 December	\$261,735.42
Total Committee Expenses to Date	\$2,864,060.04
Unexpended Authorization	\$236,602.96

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H. Res. Resolution: 132F

Statement of expenses from 12/1/2015 to 12/31/2015

Whole Committee - Funding Limit

Report Done: Thursday, January 14, 2016

Category	December 2015	Cumulative For Funding Resolution: 132F	12/31/2015
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	\$86.51	\$743.66	
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	\$86.51	\$743.66	

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Fund Balance Statement as of 12/31/2015

All BOC codes

Resolution: 132F

Report Done: 1/14/2016

Whole Committee - Funding Limit

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
2015 August	\$16.50
2015 September	\$27.12
2015 October	\$178.34
2015 November	\$21.69
2015 December	\$86.51
Total Committee Expenses to Date	\$743.66
Unexpended Authorization	\$4,256.34

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS
DECEMBER 2015
STANDING COMMITTEE STAFF

NAMES	ADDRESSES	DUTIES	MONTHLY SALARIES
David Arrojo	Washington, DC	Counsel	9,583.33
Craig Barber	Waldorf, MD	System Administrator	6,562.50
Deborah Bethea	Washington, DC	Senior Financial Disclosure Manager	10,291.67
Teri K. Dees	Washington, DC	Senior Counsel	11,666.67
Destinae Demery	Washington, DC	Staff Assistant	2,500.00
Kathryn Donahue	Washington, DC	Counsel	9,583.33
Brittany Dowell	Arlington, VA	Staff Assistant	1,718.75
Robert Eskridge	Silver Spring, MD	Counsel	10,000.00
Audrey Hickenlooper	Washington, DC	Advice and Education Clerk	3,125.00
Christian Hollowell	Upper Marlboro, MD	Staff Assistant	2,500.00
Nadia Konstantinova	Washington, DC	Counsel	9,583.33
Michael Koren	Washington, DC	Financial Disclosure Clerk	3,125.00
Molly McCarty	Alexandria, VA	Investigative Clerk	3,333.33
Patrick McMullen	Washington DC	Director of Investigations	14,374.99
Sarah Myers-Mutschall	Lorton, VA	Counsel	9,583.33
Tamar Nedzar	Alexandria, VA	Senior Counsel	11,666.67
Brittney Pescatore	Washington, DC	Counsel	9,583.33
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	13,061.25
Christopher Tate	Arlington, VA	Counsel	11,666.67
Daniel Taylor	Arlington, VA	Counsel to the Ranking Member	13,367.58
Adam Wambold	Arlington, VA	Staff Assistant	2,500.00
Joanne White	Ft. Wash, MD	Administrative Staff Director	11,916.67

Travel Performed: Committee on Ethics
 12/1/2015 to 12/31/2015

Travel Order	Traveler	Begin	End	purpose	Pay ID	Date	Transportation	Per_Diem	Other	Total remarks
114-09	Tamar Nedzar	11/2/2015	11/4/2015	To meet with the developers of Capitol Contenders (Committee on Ethics Contractors for work flow management system)	114-73	12/10/2015	\$383.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$383.20
114-10	Patrick McMullen	11/19/2015	11/20/2015	Official Travel	114-73	12/10/2015	\$512.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$512.20
114-11	Brittney Pescatore	11/19/2015	11/20/2015	Official Business	114-73	12/10/2015	\$512.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$512.20
114-12	Brittney Pescatores	12/9/2015	12/10/2015	To attend conference - Defending Corporations and Individuals in Government Investigations	114-74	12/11/2015	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$312.29	\$312.29
114-12	Brittney Pescatores	12/9/2015	12/10/2015	To attend conference - Defending Corporations and Individuals in Government Investigations	114-75	12/11/2015	\$10.38	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10.38
114-12	Brittney Pescatores	12/9/2015	12/10/2015	To attend conference - Defending Corporations and Individuals in Government Investigations	114-76	12/11/2015	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15.99	\$15.99
Totals							\$1,417.98	\$0.00	\$328.28	\$1,746.26