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ONE HUNDRED FIFTEENTH CONGRESS

## U.S. House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

January 16, 2018

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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 December 2017 including:

1. Summary of Progress and projected programs;
2. Statement of Expenses under Proposed H. Res 83-1 (115<sup>th</sup> Congress, 1<sup>st</sup> 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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan W. Brooks".

Susan W. Brooks  
Chairwoman

Enclosures

## COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

### December 2017

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 43 requests for advisory opinions in December 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 95 such requests in December 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 December of 2017. The Committee provided live training sessions attended by 195 individuals in December 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 website at <https://ethics.house.gov/>.

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

The Committee released nine public statements in December of 2017 regarding the matters of Representative Devin Nunes, Representative Trent Franks, Representative Blake Farenthold, Representative Ruben Kihuen, Representative Judy Chu, Representative Luis Gutiérrez, and the Office of Compliance. All other previous reports and public statements are available on the Committee's website at <https://ethics.house.gov/>.

The Committee issued two general advisory reports in December of 2017 regarding annual ethics training and sexual harassment. Prior general advisories are available on the Committee's website at <https://ethics.house.gov/>.

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<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).

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
CONGRESS 115 SESSION 1  
COMMITTEE ON ETHICS  
STAFF LISTING  
December 2017**

Employee Name	Address	Title	Gross Monthly Salary
David W Arrojo	Washington, DC	Legal Counsel	\$10,416.67
David W Arrojo	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$5,000.00
Jessica Elizabeth Baker	Washington, DC	Counsel	\$9,583.33
Jessica Elizabeth Baker	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$2,000.00
Craig J Barber	Washington, DC	System Administrator	\$6,861.09
Craig J Barber	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$5,000.00
Deborah R Bethea	Washington, DC	Senior Financial Disclosure Manager	\$10,759.94
Deborah R Bethea	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$5,000.00
Katherine Lee Dacey	Washington, DC	Investigative Counsel	\$9,583.33
Katherine Lee Dacey	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$2,000.00
Kathryn J.L. Donahue	Washington, DC	Legal Counsel	\$10,416.67
Kathryn J.L. Donahue	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$5,000.00
Robert Eskridge	Washington, DC	Legal Counsel	\$10,250.00
Mark John Hamilton	Washington, DC	Staff Assistant	\$2,500.00
Mark John Hamilton	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$500.00
Donna K Herbert	Washington, DC	Director of Administration	\$8,925.00
Donna K Herbert	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$7,500.00
Ken Evans Johnson	Washington, DC	Counsel	\$9,583.33
Ken Evans Johnson	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$2,000.00
Andrew Kleiman	Washington, DC	Investigative Clerk	\$3,125.00
Andrew Kleiman	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$4,000.00
Margaret McCarty	Washington, DC	Investigator	\$5,100.00

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COMMITTEE ON ETHICS  
STAFF LISTING  
December 2017**

Employee Name	Address	Title	Gross Monthly Salary
Margaret McCarty	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$5,000.00
Patrick M McMullen	Washington, DC	Director of Investigations	\$13,541.67
Patrick M McMullen	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$1,477.74
Sarah Myers-Mutschall	Washington, DC	Legal Counsel	\$10,416.67
Sarah Myers-Mutschall	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$5,000.00
Tamar Nedzar	Washington, DC	Senior Legal Counsel	\$12,197.50
Tamar Nedzar	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$649.08
Tamar Nedzar	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$1,836.75
Tamar Nedzar	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$1,003.75
Brittney L Pescatore	Washington, DC	Legal Counsel	\$10,416.67
Brittney L Pescatore	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$7,500.00
Jaya Nicole Pillai	Washington, DC	Staff Assistant	\$2,500.00
Jaya Nicole Pillai	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$500.00
Carl Ezekiel Ross	Washington, DC	Investigative Counsel	\$10,416.67
Carl Ezekiel Ross	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$5,000.00
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	Legal Counsel	\$10,833.33
Tonya N Sloans	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$7,367.92
Tonia R Smith	Washington, DC	Director of Advice and Education	\$13,541.67
Wendy F Smith	Washington, DC	Legal Counsel	\$10,416.67
Wendy F Smith	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$7,500.00

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
 CONGRESS 115 SESSION 1  
 COMMITTEE ON ETHICS  
 STAFF LISTING  
 December 2017**

Employee Name	Address	Title	Gross Monthly Salary
Matthew Thomas Steiner	Washington, DC	Staff Assistant	\$2,500.00
Matthew Thomas Steiner	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$500.00
John L Szabo	Washington, DC	Legal Counsel	\$3,526.25
Daniel J Taylor	Washington, DC	Counsel to the Ranking Member	\$13,068.75
Daniel J Taylor	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$2,243.50
Daniel J Taylor	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$865.50
Benjamin L Toribio	Washington, DC	Senior Staff Assistant	\$3,333.33
Benjamin L Toribio	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$500.00
Adam D Wambold	Washington, DC	Professional Staff	\$3,958.33
Adam D Wambold	Washington, DC	Lump Sum	\$5,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$334,903.61</b>

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**U.S. House of Representatives**  
**Committee on Ethics**  
**10SO000**  
**Monthly Statement by CHA Requirements**  
**115-1 December**

Description	YTD Including		Cumulative Total
	December	December	
Non-Statutory Compensation	\$244,959.37	\$2,674,875.61	\$2,674,875.61
Overtime Compensation	\$0.00	\$108.17	\$108.17
Accrued Leave	\$0.00	\$5,743.05	\$5,743.05
Bonus	\$89,944.24	\$98,893.78	\$98,893.78
<b>11-Personnel Compensation subtotal</b>	<b>\$334,903.61</b>	<b>\$2,779,620.61</b>	<b>\$2,779,620.61</b>
Commercial Transportation	\$150.95	\$3,553.35	\$3,553.35
Lodging	\$3,646.92	\$4,324.43	\$4,324.43
Meals	\$891.71	\$1,259.31	\$1,259.31
Taxi/Parking/Tolls	\$394.40	\$691.59	\$691.59
Witness Travel/Related Expenses	\$176.40	\$3,256.46	\$3,256.46
<b>21-Travel subtotal</b>	<b>\$5,260.38</b>	<b>\$13,085.14</b>	<b>\$13,085.14</b>
Temporary Space Rental	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
DC Telecommunication Equipment (TRANSFER)	\$347.25	\$25,564.25	\$25,564.25
DC Telecommunication Service (TRANSFER)	\$2,861.30	\$27,452.00	\$27,452.00
DC Telecommunication Tolls (TRANSFER)	\$0.00	\$7,865.00	\$7,865.00
Recording - (TRANSFER)	\$0.00	\$260.00	\$260.00
Franked Mail	\$156.76	\$682.15	\$682.15
<b>23-Rent, Communications and Utilities subtotal</b>	<b>\$3,365.31</b>	<b>\$61,873.40</b>	<b>\$61,873.40</b>
Printing & Reproduction	\$39.95	\$1,469.10	\$1,469.10
Photographic (TRANSFER)	\$0.00	\$90.00	\$90.00
<b>24-Printing and Reproduction subtotal</b>	<b>\$39.95</b>	<b>\$1,559.10</b>	<b>\$1,559.10</b>
Consultant Contract Service	\$0.00	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00
Training	\$2,250.00	\$2,370.00	\$2,370.00
Technology Service Contracts	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
<b>25-Other Services subtotal</b>	<b>\$2,250.00</b>	<b>\$5,070.00</b>	<b>\$5,070.00</b>
Bottled Water	\$286.54	\$2,929.94	\$2,929.94
Office Supplies (Outside)	\$0.00	\$2,835.64	\$2,835.64
Office Supply (TRANSFER)	\$1,004.02	\$5,040.42	\$5,040.42
Publications/Reference Material	\$2,921.50	\$6,363.69	\$6,363.69
<b>26-Supplies and Materials subtotal</b>	<b>\$4,212.06</b>	<b>\$17,169.69</b>	<b>\$17,169.69</b>
Office Equip Purch<\$25,000	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Computer Softw Purch <\$10,000	\$0.00	\$595.00	\$595.00
Equipment & Software Maintenance	\$773.50	\$30,030.71	\$30,030.71
<b>31-Equipment subtotal</b>	<b>\$773.50</b>	<b>\$40,625.71</b>	<b>\$40,625.71</b>

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**Total Expenses**

**\$350,804.81**

**\$2,919,003.65**

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**10SO000**  
**Monthly Statement by Paid Date**  
**115-1 December**

Description	YTD Including		Cumulative Total
	December	December	
Non-Statutory Compensation	\$244,959.37	\$2,674,875.61	\$2,674,875.61
Overtime Compensation	\$0.00	\$108.17	\$108.17
Accrued Leave	\$0.00	\$5,743.05	\$5,743.05
Bonus	\$89,944.24	\$98,893.78	\$98,893.78
<b>11-Personnel Compensation subtotal</b>	<b>\$334,903.61</b>	<b>\$2,779,620.61</b>	<b>\$2,779,620.61</b>
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	\$0.00	\$297.19	\$297.19
Witness Travel/Related Expenses	\$275.34	\$3,080.06	\$3,080.06
<b>21-Travel subtotal</b>	<b>\$275.34</b>	<b>\$7,824.76</b>	<b>\$7,824.76</b>
Temporary Space Rental	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
DC Telecommunication Equipment (TRANSFER)	\$347.25	\$25,564.25	\$25,564.25
DC Telecommunication Service (TRANSFER)	\$2,861.30	\$27,452.00	\$27,452.00
DC Telecommunication Tolls (TRANSFER)	\$0.00	\$7,865.00	\$7,865.00
Recording - (TRANSFER)	\$0.00	\$260.00	\$260.00
Franked Mail	\$156.76	\$682.15	\$682.15
<b>23-Rent, Communications and Utilities subtotal</b>	<b>\$3,365.31</b>	<b>\$61,873.40</b>	<b>\$61,873.40</b>
Printing & Reproduction	\$39.95	\$1,433.56	\$1,433.56
Photographic (TRANSFER)	\$0.00	\$90.00	\$90.00
<b>24-Printing and Reproduction subtotal</b>	<b>\$39.95</b>	<b>\$1,523.56</b>	<b>\$1,523.56</b>
Consultant Contract Service	\$0.00	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00
Training	\$0.00	\$120.00	\$120.00
Technology Service Contracts	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
<b>25-Other Services subtotal</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$2,820.00</b>	<b>\$2,820.00</b>
Bottled Water	\$286.54	\$2,929.94	\$2,929.94
Office Supplies (Outside)	\$0.00	\$2,835.64	\$2,835.64
Office Supply (TRANSFER)	\$1,004.02	\$5,040.42	\$5,040.42
Publications/Reference Material	\$0.00	\$2,997.19	\$2,997.19
<b>26-Supplies and Materials subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,290.56</b>	<b>\$13,803.19</b>	<b>\$13,803.19</b>
Office Equip Purch<\$25,000	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Computer Softw Purch <\$10,000	\$0.00	\$595.00	\$595.00
Equipment & Software Maintenance	\$773.50	\$29,937.20	\$29,937.20
<b>31-Equipment subtotal</b>	<b>\$773.50</b>	<b>\$40,532.20</b>	<b>\$40,532.20</b>



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**Total Expenses**

**\$340,648.27**

**\$2,907,997.72**

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# Staff Travel Record Report

Committee on Ethics

David W Arrojo

Active Staff Only Travel From Date: 01/01/17 To Date: 12/31/17

Order Number	Group Travel Begin/End	Purpose	Itinerary Voucher #	FerDiem Ticket	Total	Trip Report Disclosure	Trip Type	Individual Remarks
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115A-005	12/03/17 12/05/17	COGEL 2017	3JOH7G 1151000064	\$552.49 \$1,696.81	\$2,249.30	Yes No	Foreign	
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Total				\$2,249.30				
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# Staff Travel Record Report

Committee on Ethics

Katherine Lee Dacey

Active Staff Only Travel From Date: 01/01/17 To Date: 12/31/17

Order Number	Group Travel Begin/End	Purpose	Itinerary Voucher #	Per Diem Ticket	Total	Trip Report Disclosure	Trip Type	Individual Remarks
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115A-006	12/03/17 12/06/17	COGEL 2017	3GHMA5 1151000066	\$2,706.34 \$3,015.31	\$5,721.65	Yes N/A	Foreign	
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Total

\$5,721.65

# Staff Travel Record Report

Committee on Ethics

Robert Eskridge

Active Staff Only Travel From Date: 01/01/17 To Date: 12/31/17

Order Number	Group Travel Begin/End	Purpose	Itinerary Voucher #	PerDiem Ticket	Total	Trip Report Disclosure	Trip Type	Individual Remarks
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115A-007	12/03/17 12/06/17	COGEL 2017	NGHNJU 1151000065	\$1,790.64 \$3,015.31	\$4,805.95	Yes	Foreign	
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Total				\$4,805.95				
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# Staff Travel Record Report

Committee on Ethics

Wendy F Smith

Active Staff Only Travel From Date: 01/01/17 To Date: 12/31/17

Order Number	Group Travel Begin/End	Purpose	Itinerary Voucher #	PerDiem Ticket	Total	Trip Report Disclosure	Trip Type	Individual Remarks
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115A-004	12/03/17 12/06/17	COGEL Conference	GWCICL 1151000062	\$2,309.90 \$2,445.56	\$4,755.46	Yes	Foreign	
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<b>Total</b>				<b>\$4,755.46</b>				
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