

# U.S. House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS  
Washington, DC 20515

February 16, 2017

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 January 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,



Susan W. Brooks  
Chairwoman

Enclosures

## COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

January 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 19 requests for advisory opinions in January 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 304 such requests in January 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 January of 2017. The Committee provided live training sessions attended by 239 individuals in January 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/>.

The Committee released one Committee Report in January of 2017 regarding the Activities of the Committee on Ethics for the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress. The report is available, along with all previous reports and public statements, on the Committee's Web site at <https://ethics.house.gov/>.

The Committee released one general advisory report in January of 2017 regarding The 2017 Outside Earned Income Limit and Salaries Triggering the Financial Disclosure Requirement and Post-Employment Restrictions Applicable to House Officers and Employees. Prior general advisories are available on the Committee's Web site 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).

**COMMITTEE ON ETHICS  
STATEMENT OF EXPENSES**

From January 3, 2017 -  
January 31, 2017

| <b>Category</b>                     | <b>January 2017</b> | <b>Cumulative for Funding<br/>Resolution H.Res 83-1</b> |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---|
| Staff Salaries                      | \$223,299.84        | \$223,299.84  |
| Accrued Leave                       | \$7,862.06          | \$7,862.06  |
| Overtime                            | \$108.17            | \$108.17  |
| Consultant Contracts                |                     |   |
| Equipment                           | \$770.00            | \$770.00  |
| Travel                              |                     |   |
| Rent, Communications, and Utilities | \$25,214.22         | \$25,214.22   |
| Printing and Reproduction           | \$45.00             | \$45.00   |
| Miscellaneous Other Services        |                     |   |
| Specialized Training                |                     |   |
| Training Expenses                   |                     |   |
| Representational Funds              |                     |   |
| Supplies and Materials              | \$1,227.53          | \$1,227.53  |
|                                     |                     |   |
| <b>GRAND TOTAL</b>                  | <b>\$258,526.82</b> | <b>\$258,526.82</b>                                     |

**COMMITTEE ON ETHICS  
FUND BALANCE STATEMENT**

As of January 31, 2017

Whole Committee Funding Limit

Total Authorization: TBD

| <b>MONTH / YEAR</b>                     | <b>AMOUNT</b> |
|---|---------------|
| January 2017                            | \$258,526.82  |
| February 2017                           |               |
| March 2017                              |               |
| April 2017                              |               |
| May 2017                                |               |
| June 2017                               |               |
| July 2017                               |               |
| August 2017                             |               |
| September 2017                          |               |
| October 2017                            |               |
| November 2017                           |               |
| December 2017                           |               |
| <b>TOTAL COMMITTEE EXPENSES TO DATE</b> |               |
| <b>UNEXPENDED AUTHORIZATION</b>         |               |

**COMMITTEE ON ETHICS  
FUND BALANCE STATEMENT**

As of January 31, 2017

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Total Authorization: TBD

| <b>MONTH / YEAR</b>                     | <b>AMOUNT</b> |
|---|---------------|
| January 2017                            | \$13.53       |
| February 2017                           |               |
| March 2017                              |               |
| April 2017                              |               |
| May 2017                                |               |
| June 2017                               |               |
| July 2017                               |               |
| August 2017                             |               |
| September 2017                          |               |
| October 2017                            |               |
| November 2017                           |               |
| December 2017                           |               |
| <b>TOTAL COMMITTEE EXPENSES TO DATE</b> |               |
| <b>UNEXPENDED AUTHORIZATION</b>         |               |

House Postal Operations  
NOVITEX ENTERPRISE SOLUTIONS

Committee on Ethics  
1015 Longworth

115th Congress, 1st Session  
Mail Accountability Report  
January 2017

| <b>Date</b>  | <b>Quantity</b> | <b>Total Cost</b> |
|--------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 01/03/2017   | 3               | 1.30              |
| 01/17/2017   | 1               | 0.42              |
| 01/19/2017   | 16              | 6.60              |
| 01/24/2017   | 3               | 1.27              |
| 01/25/2017   | 3               | 2.25              |
| 01/26/2017   | 4               | 1.69              |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>30</b>       | <b>13.53</b> ✓    |

**COMMITTEE ON ETHICS  
JANUARY 2017  
STANDING COMMITTEE STAFF**

| NAMES                  | ADDRESSES          | POSITION                            | MONTHLY SALARY |
|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| David Arrojo           | Washington, DC     | Counsel                             | 9822.92        |
| Craig Barber           | Waldorf, MD        | System Administrator                | 6726.56        |
| Deborah Bethea         | Washington, DC     | Senior Financial Disclosure Manager | 10548.96       |
| Sheria D. Clarke       | Vienna, VA         | Counsel to the Chairwoman           | 11958.33       |
| Teri K. Dees           | Washington, DC     | Senior Counsel – Terminated 1/7/17  | 2790.28        |
| Teri K. Dees           | Washington, DC     | Lump Sum Bonus                      | 2391.67        |
| Destinae Demery        | Washington, DC     | Financial Disclosure Clerk          | 3125.00        |
| Destinae Demery        | Washington, DC     | Overtime                            | 108.17         |
| Kathryn Donahue        | Washington, DC     | Counsel                             | 9822.92        |
| Robert Eskridge        | Silver Spring, MD  | Counsel                             | 10250.00       |
| Donna Herbert          | Hughesville, MD    | Director of Administration          | 8750.00        |
| Christian Hollowell    | Upper Marlboro, MD | Advice & Education Clerk            | 3125.00        |
| Nadia Konstantinova    | Washington, DC     | Counsel                             | 5566.32        |
| Nadia Konstantinova    | Washington, DC     | Counsel – Terminated 1/17/17        | 2619.44        |
| Michael Koren          | Washington, DC     | Investigative Clerk                 | 3125.00        |
| Molly McCarty          | Alexandria, VA     | Investigator                        | 5000.00        |
| Patrick McMullen       | Washington, DC     | Director of Investigations          | 13541.67       |
| Patrick McMullen       | Washington, DC     | Lump Sum Bonus                      | 492.58         |
| Alexandra Moffitt      | Washington, DC     | Staff Assistant                     | 2500.00        |
| Sarah Myers-Mutschall  | Lorton, VA         | Counsel                             | 9822.92        |
| Tamar Nedzar           | Alexandria, VA     | Senior Counsel                      | 11958.33       |
| Tamar Nedzar           | Alexandria, VA     | Lump Sum Bonus                      | 1242.92        |
| Brittney Pescatore     | Washington, DC     | Counsel                             | 9822.92        |
| Zeke Ross              | Washington, DC     | Counsel – Appointed 1/9/17          | 7638.89        |
| Thomas A. Rust         | Washington, DC     | Staff Director/Chief Counsel        | 14375.00       |
| Tonya Sloans           | Washington, DC     | Counsel                             | 10250.00       |
| Tonia Smith            | Laurel, MD         | Director of Advice & Education      | 13541.67       |
| Wendy F. Smith         | Washington, DC     | Counsel                             | 10250.00       |
| Clifford Stoddard, Jr. | Upper Marlboro, MD | Counsel to the Chairman             | 12812.50       |
| Clifford Stoddard, Jr. | Upper Marlboro, MD | Lump Sum Bonus                      | 666.25         |
| John Szabo             | Ellicott City, MD  | Counsel – LWOP 1/3/17 - TBD         | 237.15         |
| Daniel Taylor          | Arlington, VA      | Counsel to the Ranking Member       | 12812.50       |

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|---------------|---------------|------------------------|---------|
| Daniel Taylor | Arlington, VA | Lump Sum Bonus         | 449.20  |
| Adam Wambold  | Arlington, VA | Senior Staff Assistant | 3125.00 |
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**COMMITTEE ON ETHICS**  
**TRAVEL REPORT – MONTH OF JANUARY 2017**

No Official Travel conducted during this time period.