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U.S. House of Representatives

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September 18, 2026

The Honorable Bryan Steil
Chairman
Committee on House Administration
1309 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Steil:

In accordance with the regulations of the Committee on House Administration, I am submitting herewith the monthly report for August 2026, including:

1. Summary of Progress and projected programs;
2. Statement of Expenses under H. Res 131 (119th Congress –2nd Session);
3. A listing of Committee employees showing addresses, duties, and gross monthly salaries;
4. A report on travel for August 2026 (none); and
5. List of Detailees for August 2026.

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

Sincerely,

Michael Guest
Chairman

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

August 2026

The Committee on Ethics (Committee) continued to fulfill its responsibilities to advise and educate Members and staff on the laws, rules, and standards of conduct. 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. In August, the Committee responded to approximately 1,519 phone calls and email messages seeking advice, and participated in many informal meetings with Members, House staff, and outside individuals or groups regarding specific ethics matters. The Committee also received 24 requests for formal advisory opinions.

In accordance with the Rules of the House of Representatives for the 119th Congress, the Committee continued to review and approve requests to accept privately-sponsored, officially-connected travel. The Committee received and reviewed 140 new travel requests in August 2026 for travel beginning in August or later. Five-hundred and seventy-six employees traveled on a Committee-approved, privately-sponsored, officially-connected trip within the month of August.

The Committee is required under House rules to offer mandatory annual ethics training to each Member, Delegate, Resident Commissioner, officer, and employee of the House. The Committee is working to modernize its guidance in both substance and method of delivery. The Committee continued to provide training in August through live and on-demand offerings. Zero individuals attended the in-person Ethics training hosted by the Committee on August 18th. The calendar of live in-person training opportunities is available [here](#).

The Committee released no general advisories or pink sheets in August 2026. Prior general advisories and pink sheets are available [here](#).

Pursuant to Committee Rule 7, the Committee released four public statements regarding Representative Chuck Edwards, Representative Max Miller, Representative Jimmy Gomez, House Report 119-693 and House Report 119-694. The Statement of the Committee on Ethics regarding Representative Chuck Edwards is available [here](#). The Statement of the Committee on Ethics regarding Representative Max Miller is available [here](#). The Statement of the Committee on Ethics regarding Representative Jimmy Gomez is available [here](#). The Statement of the Committee on Ethics regarding House Report 119-693 and 119-694 is available [here](#).

The Committee issued a summary of its activities for July 2026 directed to the Committee on House Administration. This statement is publicly available on the Committee on House Administration's website.

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U.S. House of Representatives
Monthly Financial Statement by Legislative Year

Office: 10SO000 COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

Authorization Year 2026
2026:119th Congress 2nd Session
Month: 2026 August - Closed

Budget to Actual

Program	Object Class	YTD Budget Original	YTD Budget Adjusted	YTD Budget Revised	YTD Committed	YTD Obligated	YTD Received	YTD Disbursed	YTD Total Actual	YTD Total Available
EXPEN	** Authorization	4,745,724.00	0.00	4,745,724.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,745,724.00
	11 Personnel Compensation	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,853,913.19	2,853,913.19	(2,853,913.19)
	21 Travel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,448.41	4,448.41	(4,448.41)
	23 Rent, Communications, Utilities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,702.22	15,702.22	(15,702.22)
	24 Printing and Reproduction	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,287.08	5,287.08	(5,287.08)
	25 Other Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,240.76	11,240.76	(11,240.76)
	26 Supplies and Materials	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	21,973.46	21,973.46	(21,973.46)
	31 Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,478.20	10,478.20	(10,478.20)
	Total	4,745,724.00	0.00	4,745,724.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,923,043.32	2,923,043.32	1,822,680.68
AE200	** Authorization	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
	FM Franked Mail	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	386.60	386.60	(386.60)
	Total	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	386.60	386.60	4,613.40

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Disbursed Summary

Program		Object Class	Budget Object Class	MTD Disbursed	YTD Disbursed
EXPEN	General Expenditures	11 Personnel Compensation	1101 Non-Statutory Compensation	359,689.12	2,851,471.53
			1106 Bonus	233.33	2,441.66
			Total	359,922.45	2,853,913.19
		21 Travel	2101 Airfare Commercial Transport	0.00	2,000.40
			2105 Lodging	0.00	1,646.48
			2110 Meals	0.00	209.69
			2120 Car Rental	0.00	143.10
			2130 Private Auto Mileage	4.93	4.93
			2135 Taxi/Ride Share	0.00	99.80
			2136 Parking	23.99	23.99
			2155 Witness Travel / Related Exp	0.00	320.02
			Total	28.92	4,448.41
		23 Rent, Communications, Utilities	2320 DC Telecom Equip (TRANSFER)	404.00	1,244.00
			2321 DC Telecom Serv (TRANSFER)	366.75	2,567.25
			2322 DC Telecom Tolls (TRANSFER)	1,432.94	11,331.34
			2335 HIR Graphics (TRANSFER)	0.00	180.00
			2350 Postage / Courier / Box Rental	173.91	379.63
			Total	2,377.60	15,702.22
		24 Printing and Reproduction	2402 Non-Frankable Printing & Repro	0.00	5,287.08
			Total	0.00	5,287.08
		25 Other Services	2502 Non-Technology Service Contr	0.00	684.37
			2529 Translatn and Interpret Serv	0.00	1,595.31
			2571 Technology Service Contracts	80.54	4,161.08
			2572 Web Dev Hst,Email & Rltd Serv	600.00	4,800.00
			Total	680.54	11,240.76
		26 Supplies and Materials	2602 Water	239.96	1,606.86
			2603 Food & Beverage	0.00	149.98
			2620 Office Supplies (Outside)	354.63	547.48

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Program		Object Class	Budget Object Class	MTD Disbursed	YTD Disbursed
EXPEN	General Expenditures	26 Supplies and Materials	2621 Office Supply (TRANSFER)	128.22	2,043.56
			2623 Software < \$1000	0.00	7,882.28
			2630 Publications/Reference Mat'l	0.00	9,743.30
			Total	722.81	21,973.46
		31 Equipment	3112 Computer Hardw Purch <\$25,000	0.00	2,599.16
			3118 Maintenance / Repairs	984.88	7,879.04
			Total	984.88	10,478.20
		Total		364,717.20	2,923,043.32
AE200	Official Mail	FM Franked Mail	2352 Franked Mail	0.00	386.60
			Total	0.00	386.60
		Total		0.00	386.60

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PAYROLL CERTIFICATION - FINAL

08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026

Process Level: SO000 COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

Accounting Organization: 10SO000

SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE - PERSONNEL

Employee and Job Title	Annual Salary	Gross Pay	Period	Remarks	Employee No.
ALCOSER, DENIA PAOLA ADVICE & EDUCATION CLERK	59,661.00	4,971.75	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		213871
ARROJO, DAVID COUNSEL TO THE RANKING MEMBER	197,200.00	16,433.33	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		129390
BELLWOAR, SYDNEY RACHEL SENIOR COUNSEL	169,279.00	14,106.58	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		191233
BETHEA, DEBORAH R SR FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE MNGR.	146,143.00	12,178.58	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		148902
CHIPMAN, ALLISON RESEARCHER	72,977.00	6,081.42	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		203887
CHONG, MELISSA LYNN COUNSEL	158,306.00	13,192.17	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		195623
COHAN, MELANIE LYNN DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION	138,024.00	11,502.00	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		192559
DOWNS, JOEL J CHIEF OF STAFF TO THE CHAIRMAN	195,200.00	16,266.67	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		154396
EISENRAUCH, EMILY MARIE SENIOR COUNSEL	169,279.00	14,106.58	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		195620
FITZPATRICK, KATHERINE J SENIOR COUNSEL	169,279.00	14,106.58	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		195145
FLEMING, NICQELLE DELIGHT COUNSEL	158,306.00	13,085.56	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026	P/R CHANGE 08/05/26	211042
GWINN, CHRISTINE COUNSEL	158,306.00	13,192.17	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		197292
HOVLAND, JACKSON KEITH SENIOR STAFF ASSISTANT	59,661.00	4,971.75	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		213472
HUDGINS, ANNIE BESS COUNSEL	148,711.00	12,392.58	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		220569
LONG, NICHOLAS M PROFESSIONAL STAFF	72,977.00	6,081.42	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		193426
LOPEZ-BELTRAN, JUSTIN A SENIOR STAFF ASSISTANT	59,661.00	4,971.75	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		210028
MCLANE, KATHRYN ROSE FD ANALYST	72,977.00	6,081.42	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		201559
MITCHELL, DORIAN DANTE SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATOR	129,904.00	10,825.33	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		207860
MYERS-MUTSCHALL, SARAH P DIRECTOR OF ADVICE & EDUCATION	197,200.00	16,433.33	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		169565

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SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE - PERSONNEL

Employee and Job Title	Annual Salary	Gross Pay	Period	Remarks	Employee No.
NEDZAR, TAMAR SENIOR COUNSEL	180,565.00	15,047.08	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		162211
PATEL, ROSHAN JAGDISH COUNSEL	158,306.00	13,192.17	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		192575
PESCATORE, BRITTNEY L DIRECTOR OF INVESTIGATIONS	197,200.00	16,433.33	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		171847
PIERCE, CHRISTOPHER C COUNSEL	158,306.00	13,192.17	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		206121
RHATICAN, RAYMOND T COUNSEL	158,306.00	13,085.56	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026	P/R CHANGE 08/05/26	211040
RICHARDS, STEPHANIE S DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE	197,200.00	16,433.33	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		195391
ROUSE, ARLINDA MARY SENIOR COUNSEL	169,279.00	14,106.58	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		195789
RUST, THOMAS A STAFF DIRECTOR/CHIEF COUNSEL	209,600.00	17,466.67	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		156702
RYAN, SARA JANE FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE CLERK	59,661.00	4,971.75	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		216359
SEEBA, JENNIFER E COUNSEL	158,306.00	13,192.17	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		204705
SEIBERT, KATHLEEN E RESEARCHER	72,977.00	6,081.42	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		194946
WILMER, PEYTON S SENIOR INVESTIGATIVE CLERK	66,071.00	5,505.92	08/01/2026 to 08/31/2026		189048

SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE - LUMP SUM BONUS

Employee and Job Title	Annual Salary	Gross Pay	Period	Remarks	Employee No.
DOWNS, JOEL J CHIEF OF STAFF TO THE CHAIRMAN	195,200.00	233.33			154396

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Employee Group	Expenditure	Active	Paid
SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE - PERSONNEL	\$359,689.12	31	31
SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE - LUMP SUM BONUS	\$233.33	0	1
Total	\$359,922.45	31	32

COMMENTS: (EXCEPTIONS MUST BE LISTED WITHIN THIS BOX)

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.

119th Congress List of Detailees

<u>Name</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Period of Performance</u>
Eric Eisenstein	GAO	April 27, 2026 – December 11, 2026
Leslie Holen	GAO	April 27, 2026 – December 11, 2026