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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

House of Representatives, Committee on Ethics, Washington, DC, August 5, 2011.

Hon. Karen L. Haas, Clerk, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MS. HAAS: Pursuant to clauses 3(a)(2) and 3(b) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, we herewith transmit the attached Report, "In the Matter of Allegations Relating to Michael Collins."

Sincerely,

JO BONNER, Chairman. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ, Ranking Member.

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COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

IN THE MATTER OF ALLEGATIONS RELATING TO MICHAEL COLLINS

August 5, 2011

Mr. BONNER, from the Committee on Ethics, submitted the following

REPORT

I. INTRODUCTION

On May 18, 2011, the Office of Congressional Ethics (OCE) forwarded to the Committee on Ethics (Committee) a Report and Findings related to the receipt of outside income in 2007, 2008, and 2009 by Michael Collins, which he failed to properly report on his 2009 federal income tax returns and his 2007, 2008, and 2009 Financial Disclosure Statements. OCE further indicated in its referral that Mr. Collins received income in 2009 that exceeded the outside earned income limit for senior staff. OCE recommended that the Committee further review the matter.

On May 23, 2011, the Committee provided Mr. Collins, through his attorney, a copy of OCE's Report and Findings and offered him the opportunity to respond to OCE's allegations. Mr. Collins submitted a response through his attorney on June 9, 2011.²

The Committee initiated an investigation into the matter referred by OCE pursuant to Committee Rule 18(a). On July 1, 2011, the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Committee issued a statement announcing they had jointly decided to extend the Committee's consideration of OCE's transmittal regarding Mr. Collins for an additional 45-day period.³

This Report, adopted by the Committee on August 1, 2011, resolves the matter forwarded by OCE. The Committee has unani-

¹OCE's Report and Findings regarding Michael Collins, Review No. 11–4518, can be found at Appendix A.

² Michael Collins's response to OCE's allegations against him in OCE's Report and Findings can be found at Appendix B.

³ House Rule XI, clause 3(b)(8)(A), and Committee Rule 17A(c)(1).

mously determined that the evidence presently before the Committee supports a determination that Mr. Collins violated House rules, laws, regulations, or other standards of conduct by failing to report outside income he had received from 2005 through 2010 on both his Financial Disclosure statements and his federal income taxes for each year. Mr. Collins has admitted that he did not report money he received between 2005 and 2009 as outside earned income. For his violation of House rules, laws, regulations, or other standards of conduct, Mr. Collins has agreed to accept a series of sanctions and remedies as discussed below.

II. HOUSE RULES, LAWS, REGULATIONS, OR OTHER STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

House Rule 26, clause 2

"[T]he provisions of title I of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 shall be considered Rules of the House as they pertain to Members, Delegates, the Resident Commissioner, officers, and employees of the House."

Ethics in Government Act

"Any individual who is an officer or employee described in subsection (f) during any calendar year and performs the duties of his position or office for a period in excess of sixty days in that calendar year shall file on or before May 15 of the succeeding year a report containing the information described in section 102(a)."4

"Each report filed pursuant to section 101 (d) and (e) shall include a full and complete statement with respect to . . . [t]he source, type, and amount or value of income (other than income referred to in subparagraph (B)) from any source (other than from current employment by the United States Government). . . . "5

"The head of each agency . . . each congressional ethics committee, or the Judicial Conference, as the case may be, shall refer to the Attorney General the name of any individual which such official or committee has reasonable cause to believe has willfully failed to file a report or has willfully falsified or willfully failed to file information required to be reported. . . . "6

"[A] Member or an officer or employee who is a noncareer officer or employee and who occupies a position . . . for which the rate of basic pay is equal to or greater than 120 percent of the minimum rate of basic pay payable for GS-15 of the General Schedule, may not in any calendar year have outside earned income attributable to such calendar year which exceeds 15 percent of the annual rate of basic pay for level II of the Executive Schedule under section 5313 of title 5, United States Code, as of January 1 of such calendar year."7

"[T]he outside earned income limit for Members and senior staff for calendar year 2009 is **\$26,550**."8

⁴5 U.S.C. app. 4 § 101(d). ⁵5 U.S.C. app. 4 § 102(a). ⁶5 U.S.C. app. 4 § 104.

⁷⁵ U.S.C. app. 4 \$501(a)(1).

8 Memorandum from Committee on Standards of Official Conduct for All Members, Officers, and Employees, dated February 12, 2009 (emphasis in original).

Internal Revenue Code

"Any person who willfully attempts in any manner to evade or defeat any tax imposed by this title or the payment thereof shall, in addition to other penalties provided by law, be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than \$100,000 (\$500,000 in the case of a corporation), or imprisoned not more than 5 years, or both, together with the costs of prosecution." 9

House Rule 25, clause 1(a)(1)

"Except as provided by paragraph (b), a Member, Delegate, Resident Commissioner, officer, or employee of the House may not—
(1) have outside earned income attributable to a calendar

year that exceeds 15 percent of the annual rate of basic pay for level II of the Executive Schedule under section 5313 of title 5, United States Code, as of January 1 of that calendar year."

III. BACKGROUND

OCE Allegations

On May 18, 2011, the OCE referred to the Committee a matter involving Mr. Michael Collins, Chief of Staff to Representative John Lewis, for further review. In its referral, OCE determined that there was "substantial reason to believe that Mr. Collins violated House rules and federal law by exceeding the outside earned income limit and failing to report the income on his Financial Disclosure Statements and federal income tax returns." ¹⁰ OCE further determined that Mr. Collins was subject to an outside earned income limit of \$26,550. ¹¹ According to OCE's Report and Findings, Mr. Collins did not report income earned from the campaign on his 2007, 2008, or 2009 Financial Disclosure Statements. ¹² OCE further reported that Mr. Collins exceeded the outside earned income limit for 2009 because he received \$27,000 from the campaign that year. ¹³ Furthermore, Mr. Collins did not disclose the income he received in 2009 on his federal income tax return. ¹⁴

Mr. Collins' Employment History

Mr. Collins has paid federal income taxes for the last 29 years of his life. Mr. Collins began his career with Representative Lewis as his floor assistant in 1999; less than a year later he was promoted to Chief of Staff. Mr. Collins has received training from the Committee directed at senior staff (including training on outside earned income limits and financial disclosures) every year since the Committee instituted such training.

Payments from the Campaign to Mr. Collins

Committee staff, pursuant to the authority granted to the Chairman and Ranking Member under Committee Rule 18(a), reviewed Federal Election Commission (FEC) records from the John Lewis

⁹²⁶ U.S.C. 7201.

¹⁰ See Appendix A at 1.

 $^{^{11}}_{^{12}Id}.$

 $^{^{13}}Id$

 $^{^{14}}Id$

for Congress campaign from 2000 through 2010. The campaign began paying a "consulting fee" for either fundraising or political strategy to Mr. Collins beginning in 2005 and continued to make such payments each year from 2005 through 2010 as indicated in Chart 1, below.

CHART 1—INCOME PAYMENTS FROM CAMPAIGN TO MR. COLLINS

Payment date	Amount	Description
3/2/2005	\$5,000.00 7,000.00 5,000.00 10,000.00 12,000.00	Fundraising Consulting Fee Fundraising Consulting Fee Consulting Fee/Political Strategy Campaign Management Consulting Fee Fundraising Consulting Fee
12/14/2009	15,000.00	Fundraising Consulting Fee

According to these same FEC records, the John Lewis for Congress campaign paid Mr. Collins for certain expenses and reimbursed him for outlays he made to the campaign with his own funds. Some of these outlays also appear to violate campaign finance laws and House rules. Chart 2, below, lists the expense and reimbursement payments Mr. Collins received from the campaign according to FEC records. 15

CHART 2—POSSIBLE REIMBURSEMENT PAYMENTS FROM CAMPAIGN TO MR. COLLINS

Payment Date	Amount	Description
1/31/2007	\$1,071.76	Fundraising event expenses
5/23/2007	892.32	Volunteers appreciation event
7/13/2007	1,595.68	Expenses
9/20/2007	973.06	Expenses
11/21/2007	475.29	Expenses
2/7/2008	499.36	Expenses
2/25/2008	475.00	Reimbursement
1/29/2009	1,148.72	Reimbursement of credit card charges
2/1/2009	7,000.00	Reimbursement for storage unit rent

Mr. Collins, in interviews with OCE¹⁶ and with Committee staff,17 admitted that he had received payments in the form of a consulting fee from the campaign. Mr. Collins, in his interview with the Committee, stated that he was never employed by the campaign as an employee, but performed work on his own time for the campaign and was compensated as an "agent." He explained that he viewed this payment as a "bonus," and noted that he was unable to receive a bonus directly from Representative Lewis' office due to his salary level. He also admitted that he had received reimbursements for expenses from the campaign. 18

Mr. Collins' Financial Disclosure Statements

OCE reviewed Mr. Collins' Financial Disclosure Statements from 2007 through 2009. OCE found that, in each year, Mr. Collins did not report any outside earned income, despite the payments from

¹⁵ See Appendix A, Exhibit 3–5.
16 OCE interviewed Mr. Collins on March 9, 2011. See Appendix A at Exhibit 2.
17 Committee staff interviewed Mr. Collins on July 28, 2011.
18 Mr. Collins, in his interview with Committee staff, was unable to recall when he began receiving consulting fees, as opposed to reimbursements. When Committee staff explained that they were unable to find records of income prior to 2005, Mr. Collins stated that it was likely he began receiving income in that year.

the John Lewis for Congress campaign as listed in Chart 1,

supra.¹⁹

Committee counsel also reviewed Mr. Collins' Financial Disclosure Statements; because the Committee is not subject to OCE's limitations period, Committee counsel's review comprised those reports filed between 2000 and 2010. Committee counsel's review confirmed OCE's findings for the reports filed from 2007 through 2009, and also discovered that Mr. Collins did not report any outside earned income from 2000 through 2007, despite the payments from the John Lewis for Congress campaign as listed in Chart 1, supra. In total, Mr. Collins failed to report \$54,000 in income from 2005 to 2009. Mr. Collins, after his interview with OCE, filed an amended Financial Disclosure Statement reporting the \$27,000 he received from the campaign in 2009.

Mr. Collins stated in his interview with OCE that his failure to disclose the income received from the John Lewis for Congress campaign on his Financial Disclosure Statements was due to "negligence." 20 Similarly, in Mr. Collins' interview with the Committee, he indicated that because the John Lewis for Congress campaign never sent him a Form W-2 or 1099 to document his payments, he never thought about the payments in terms of income, and so never

reported them. Mr. Collins stated that he now

understands the need to list all outside earned income on his Financial Disclosure Statements, and stated his intention and willingness to amend all affected forms.

Mr. Collins' income tax returns

OCE reviewed Mr. Collins' Form 1040 federal income tax return for calendar year 2009. OCE determined that Mr. Collins had not reported the income he received from the campaign on his Form 1040.21 Committee counsel reviewed Mr. Collins' 2009 Form 1040 and confirmed the finding of OCE that the \$27,000 received from the campaign was not reported on his tax return.²² In the course of its investigation, OCE obtained a 1099–MISC form indicating that Mr. Collins received \$27,000 in nonemployee compensation from John Lewis for Congress. 23 Mr. Collins, after his interview with OCE, filed an amended tax return reporting the \$27,000 he received from the campaign in 2009. Mr. Collins admitted in his interview with OCE that he did not report the \$27,000 he received in 2009 on his federal income taxes and explained his failure to report was because he believed it was "not reportable income." 24

When asked by Committee counsel to explain his failure to report the consulting fees that the campaign paid him on his tax return, Mr. Collins stated that because the John Lewis for Congress campaign never sent him a Form W-2 or 1099 to document the payments he received, he never thought about the payments in terms of income, and so never reported them. Mr. Collins acknowledged that if he had received this money as a "bonus" paid as a part of his House employment, it would have appeared on his Form W-2 and would consequently have been taxed. Mr. Collins stated

¹⁹ See Appendix A at 11–13.
²⁰ See Appendix A, Exhibit 2 at ¶17.
²¹ See Appendix A at ¶53.
²² See Appendix A, Exhibit 12.
²³ See Appendix A, Exhibit 7.
²⁴ See Appendix A, Exhibit 2 at ¶¶20, 48, and 54.

that he now understands the need to list all income on his tax returns, and stated his intention and willingness to amend any and all affected tax returns.

Exceeding the outside earned income limit

Mr. Collins received \$27,000 from the John Lewis for Congress campaign in 2009. In that year, the outside earned income limit for senior staff was \$26,550.25 Because of his House rate of pay, Mr. Collins was considered senior staff for the purpose of the outside earned income limit.²⁶

IV. FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

As a result of its review of OCE's Report and Findings, and additional investigative activity by the Committee, the Committee has reached the following findings and conclusions.

1. Michael Collins received \$5,000 income from the John Lewis for Congress campaign in 2005 and failed to disclose that amount of outside income or its source on his Financial Disclosure Statement for 2005 or his federal income tax return for 2005, and failed to pay income taxes thereon.

2. Michael Collins received \$7,000 income from the John Lewis for Congress campaign in 2006 and failed to disclose that amount of outside income or its source on his Financial Disclosure Statement for 2006 or his federal income tax return for 2006, and failed to pay income taxes thereon.

3. Michael Collins received \$5,000 income from the John Lewis for Congress campaign in 2007 and failed to disclose that amount of outside income or its source on his Financial Disclosure Statement for 2007 or his federal income tax return for 2007, and failed to pay income taxes thereon.

4. Michael Collins received \$10,000 income from the John Lewis for Congress campaign in 2008 and failed to disclose that amount of outside income or its source on his Financial Disclosure Statement for 2008 or his federal income tax return for 2008, and failed to pay income taxes thereon.

5. Michael Collins received \$27,000 income from the John Lewis for Congress campaign in 2009 and failed to disclose that amount of outside income or its source on his Financial Disclosure Statement for 2009 or his federal income tax return for 2009, and failed to pay income taxes thereon.

For his violation of House rules, laws, regulations, or other standards of conduct, in satisfaction of the sanctions and remedies unanimously adopted by the Committee, Mr. Collins has agreed to:

- (1) Waive all further procedural steps and rights he may be entitled to in this matter under House and Committee rules;
 - (2) Accept a letter of reproval;
- (3) Amend his Financial Disclosure Statements for the years 2005 through 2008 to correct all errors or omissions;
- (4) Pay a \$1,000 fine (equivalent to five years of late Financial Disclosure filing fines) by December 31, 2011;
- (5) Provide to the Committee by September 30, 2011, an affidavit confirming that he has personally reviewed his income

 $^{^{25}}See$ Appendix A at 15. $^{26}Id.$ at 16.

tax returns and Financial Disclosure Statements for the last six years for any and all errors or omissions and that he has made all necessary corrections and amendments;

(6) Amend his income tax returns for the years 2005 through 2010 to correct all errors or omissions by September 30, 2011;

(7) Report to the Committee immediately upon a determina-

tion of what additional taxes or penalties he owes;

(8) Pay all unpaid taxes, penalties, and interest owed for the years 2005 through 2010, either to the IRS or the U.S. Treasury, regardless of any statute of limitations, by a date to be set by the IRS or the Committee after it receives the report re-

quired under paragraph 7;
(9) Verify with the Federal Election Commission that the \$450 he returned to the campaign at the direction of OCE is a permissible payment. If not, the Campaign will need to return the \$450 to Mr. Collins to avoid an impermissible contribution, and Mr. Collins will need to contribute \$450 to a charitable organization properly registered and qualified under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, by September 30, 2011, so that Mr. Collins does not retain the excessive outside earned income; and

(10) Provide the Committee with evidence of all of the above steps by the date indicated or to be set by the IRS or the Com-

mittee where applicable.

Mr. Collins understands that failing to meet any of the above conditions at any time in this or future Congresses could result in further Committee action. Based on his admission and acceptance of responsibility for his actions, and his agreement to the above sanctions and remedies, the Committee has determined that this matter is closed, subject to Mr. Collins fulfilling the above condi-

The Chair is directed, upon providing the notices required pursuant to House Rule XI, clause 3(b)(8)(A), and Committee Rule 17A(a)(2), to file this Report with the House, together with a copy of OCE's Report and Findings in this matter, along with any responses filed, all of which are made a part of this Report and appended hereto.²⁷ The filing of this Report, along with its publication on the Committee's Web site, shall serve as publication of OCE's Report and Findings in this matter, pursuant to House Rule XI, clause 3(b)(8)(A), and Committee Rules 17A(b)(3) and 17A(c)(2).

V. STATEMENT UNDER RULE 13, CLAUSE 3(c) OF THE RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The Committee made no special oversight findings in this Report. No budget statement is submitted. No funding is authorized by any measure in this Report.

²⁷ House Rule XI, clauses 3(a)(2) and 3(b).

APPENDIX A

Subject to the Nondisclosure Provisions of H. Res. 895 of the 110th Congress as Amended

OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ETHICS UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT

Review No. 11-4518

The Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics, by a vote of no less than four members, on April 29, 2011, adopted the following report and ordered it to be transmitted to the Committee on Ethics of the United States House of Representatives.

SUBJECT: Michael Collins

NATURE OF THE ALLEGED VIOLATION: Michael Collins, Chief of Staff for Representative John Lewis, is employed as a consultant with the John Lewis for Congress campaign committee. From 2007 to 2009, the campaign committee reported paying Mr. Collins consulting fees totaling \$42,000. On June 16, 2008, Mr. Collins filed his calendar year 2007 financial disclosure statement and did not report income earned from the campaign committee. Mr. Collins filed his financial disclosure statements for calendar years 2008 and 2009 without reporting the income earned from the campaign committee. The consulting fees earned in 2009 were not disclosed on his federal income tax return.

Mr. Collins was subject to the 2009 outside earned income limit of \$26,550. The campaign committee reported paying Mr. Collins \$27,000 in 2009.

If Mr. Collins received income from the campaign committee and failed to disclose the earned income on his financial disclosure statements and federal income tax returns, he may have violated House rules and federal law. Also, if Mr. Collins received more than \$26,550 of earned income in 2009, he may have violated House rules and federal law.

RECOMMENDATION: The Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics recommends that the Committee on Ethics further review the above allegations because there is substantial reason to believe that Mr. Collins violated House rules and federal law by exceeding the outside earned income limit and failing to report the income on his financial disclosure statements and federal income tax returns.

VOTES IN THE AFFIRMATIVE: 5

VOTES IN THE NEGATIVE: 1

ABSTENTIONS: 0

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MEMBER OF THE BOARD OR STAFF DESIGNATED TO PRESENT THIS REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE ON ETHICS: Omar S. Ashmawy, Staff Director & Chief Counsel.

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OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ETHICS UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CITATIONS TO LAW

Review No. 11-4518

On April 29, 2011, the Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics ("Board") adopted the following findings of fact and accompanying citations to law, regulations, rules, and standards of conduct (in italics). The Board notes that these findings do not constitute a determination that a violation actually occurred.

I. INTRODUCTION

A. Summary of Allegations

- In 2009, the John Lewis for Congress campaign committee filed reports with the Federal Election Commission("FEC") indicating that Mr. Collins received payments exceeding the outside earned income limit for senior staff. Mr. Collins' Calendar Year 2009 Financial Disclosure Statement, however, did not include any income from the campaign committee.
- During the course of this review, the Board learned that Mr. Collins received outside earned income from John Lewis for Congress for many years prior to 2009. Mr. Collins did not include his outside earned income on his financial disclosure statements. This review is limited to the allegations concerning financial disclosure reports filed on or after March 11, 2008.
- 3. The Board finds that there is substantial reason to believe that Mr. Collins violated House rules and federal law by: (1) failing to include his outside earned income from John Lewis for Congress on his financial disclosure statements for calendar years 2007, 2008, and 2009; (2) failing to report his earned income from John Lewis for Congress on his federal tax returns for calendar year 2009; and (3) exceeding the outside earned income limit for 2009.

B. Jurisdictional Statement

4. The allegations that are the subject of this review concern Mr. Collins, an employee of the United States House of Representatives. The Resolution the United States House of Representatives adopted creating the Office of Congressional Ethics ("OCE") directs

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that, "[n]o review shall be undertaken . . . by the board of any alleged violation that occurred before the date of adoption of this resolution." The House adopted this Resolution on March 11, 2008. Because the conduct under review occurred after March 11, 2008, the OCE has jurisdiction in this matter.

C. Procedural History

- 5. The OCE received a written request for a preliminary review in this matter signed by at least two members of the Board on January 24, 2011. The preliminary review commenced on January 25, 2011.² The preliminary review was scheduled to end on February 23, 2011.
- At least three members of the Board voted to initiate a second-phase review in this matter on February 22, 2011. The second-phase review commenced on February 24, 2011.³ The second-phase review ended on April 9, 2011.
- The Board voted to refer the matter to the Committee on Ethics and adopted these findings on April 29, 2011.
- 8. This report and findings were transmitted to the Committee on Ethics on May 18, 2011.

D. Summary of Investigative Activity

- 9. The OCE requested and received documentary and, in some cases, testimonial information from the following sources:
 - (1) Mr. Collins; and
 - (2) John Lewis for Congress.

¹ H. Res. 895, 110th Cong. §1(e), as amended (the "Resolution").

² A preliminary review is "requested" in writing by members of the Board of the OCE. The request for a preliminary review is "received" by the OCE on a date certain. According to the Resolution, the timeframe for conducting a preliminary review is thirty days from the date of receipt of the Board's request.

³ According to the Resolution, the Board must vote on whether to conduct a second-phase review in a matter before the expiration of the thirty-day preliminary review. If the Board votes for a second-phase, the second-phase begins when the preliminary review ends. The second-phase review does not begin on the date of the Board vote.

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II. MICHAEL COLLINS' OUTSIDE EARNED INCOME

A. Law, Regulations, Rules, and Standards of Conduct

Financial Disclosure

- 10. Pursuant to House Rule 26, clause 2, "the provisions of title I of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 shall be considered Rules of the House as they pertain to Members, Delegates, the Resident Commissioner, officers, and employees of the House."
- 11. The Ethics in Government Act provides that "[a]ny individual who is an officer or employee described in subsection (f) during any calendar year and performs the duties of his position or office for a period in excess of sixty days in that calendar year shall file on or before May 15 of the succeeding year a report containing the information described in section 102(a)."4
- 12. "Each report filed pursuant to section 101 (d) and (e) shall include a full and complete statement with respect to . . . [t]he source, type, and amount or value of income (other than income referred to in subparagraph (B)) from any source (other than from current employment by the United States Government). . . . "5
- 13. "The head of each agency . . . each congressional ethics committee, or the Judicial Conference, as the case may be, shall refer to the Attorney General the name of any individual which such official or committee has reasonable cause to believe has willfully failed to file a report or has willfully falsified or willfully failed to file information required to be reported "6

Federal Tax

14. Under Title 26 of U.S. Code, there are various violations related to the filing of incorrect income tax statements.

Outside Earned Income Limit

15. Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 1(a)(1), "except as provided by paragraph (b), a Member, Delegate, Resident Commissioner, officer, or employee of the House may not . . . (1) have outside earned income attributable to a calendar year that exceeds 15 percent

⁴ 5 U.S.C. app. 4 § 101(d). ⁵ 5 U.S.C. app. 4 § 102(a). ⁶ 5 U.S.C. app. 4 § 104.

⁷ See 26 U.S.C. §§ 7201, 7203, 7206.

- Subject to the Nondisclosure Provisions of H. Res. 895 of the 110th Congress as Amended of the annual rate of basic pay for level II of the Executive Schedule under section 5313 of title 5, United States Code, as of January 1of that calendar year."
- 16. the Ethics in Government Act provides that "a Member or an officer or employee who is a noncareer officer or employee and who occupies a position . . . for which the rate of basic pay is equal to or greater than 120 percent of the minimum rate of basic pay payable for GS15 of the General Schedule, may not in any calendar year have outside earned income attributable to such calendar year which exceeds 15 percent of the annual rate of basic pay for level II of the Executive Schedule under section 5313 of title 5, United States Code, as of January 1 of such calendar year."8
- 17. "[T]he outside earned income limit for Members and senior staff for calendar year 2009 is \$26,550."9

B. Mr. Collins Received Outside Earned Income from 2007 to 2009

- 18. Mr. Collins told the OCE that he has served as Chief of Staff for Representative John Lewis since approximately 1998.10
- 19. As Chief of Staff, Mr. Collins is responsible for arranging ethics training from the Committee on Ethics for office staff.¹¹
- 20. Mr. Collins told the OCE that during his thirteen years of employment with the House, he has also received outside earned income from the John Lewis for Congress campaign committee 12
- 21. Mr. Collins work as a consultant to the campaign and is responsible for approving all expenditures for the campaign, including staff salaries. 13

2007 Outside Earned Income

22. According to the disclosure reports that John Lewis for Congress filed with the FEC, disbursements totaling \$10,008.11 were paid to Mr. Collins in 2007. 14

^{8 5} U.S.C. app. 4 § 501(a)(1).

⁹ Memorandum from Committee on Standards of Official Conduct for All Members, Officer, and Employees Regarding the Outside Earned Income Limit and Outside Employment Restrictions, dated February 12, 2009 ("2009 Outside Earned Income Memo") (Exhibit 1 at 11-4518_002).

Outside Earned Income Memo") (Exhibit 1 at 11-4518_002).

Outside Earned Income Memo") (Exhibit 2 at 11-4518_005).

¹⁰ Memora.

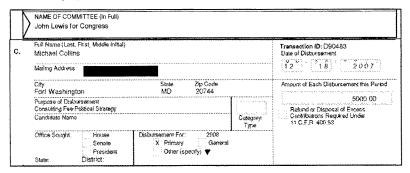
¹¹ Id.

¹² Id. at 11-4518_006-007.

¹³ Id. at 11-4518-006. ¹⁴ Excerpts of John Lewis for Congress 2007 Federal Election Commission Itemized Disbursement Reports ("2007") FEC Reports") (Exhibit 3 at 11-4518_010-015).

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- 23. The total of \$10,008.11 in disbursements consisted of payments for expenses and consulting fees.15
- 24. The amount of disbursements for expenses was \$5,008.11. 16 These disbursements appear to be repayments to Mr. Collins for expenses that he incurred on behalf of the campaign and do not appear to be earned income.17
- 25. Based on the document below, the amount of the disbursement for a consulting fee was \$5,000.18 This disbursement appears to be payment for the services that he provided to the campaign as a consultant, which he described to the OCE. 19



27. Mr. Collins was paid \$5,000 in 2007 for the services that he provided to John Lewis for Congress.

¹⁵ Id.

 $^{^{10}}$ 10 20, 2007 for \$973.06; and payment on November 21, 2007 for \$475.29.

17 Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 603, a House employee is prohibited from making a campaign contribution to one's

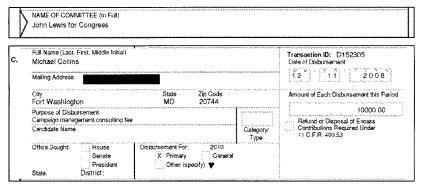
employing Member. "[M]ost outlays that an individual makes on behalf of a campaign are deemed to be a contribution to that campaign from that individual." House Ethics Manual 139. "This is so even if it is intended that the campaign will reimburse the individual promptly." Id. Although a House employee usually may not incur expenses on behalf of the employing Member's campaign, an exception to this prohibition is that an individual may incur travel expenses on behalf of a campaign. Id. Based on the information before the OCE, it appears that the campaign reimbursed Mr. Collins for expenses unrelated to travel, such as expenses for a "staff appreciation event" and "refreshments." 2007 FEC Reports (Exhibit 3 at 11-4518_010-011). However, the Board does not make any finding on whether there is substantial reason to believe that the 2007 reimbursements may have violated 18 U.S.C. § 603 because any potential violation occurred prior to the OCE's jurisdiction.

²⁰⁰⁷ FEC Reports (Exhibit 3 at 11-4518_014).

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2008 Outside Earned Income

- According to the disclosure reports that John Lewis for Congress filed with the FEC, disbursements totaling \$10,998.72 were paid to Mr. Collins in 2008.
- 29. The total of \$10,998.72 in disbursements consisted of payments for reimbursements, expenses, and consulting fees.²¹
- 30. The amount of disbursements for expenses and reimbursements was \$998.72. ²² These disbursements appear to be repayments to Mr. Collins for expenses that he incurred on behalf of the campaign and do not appear to be earned income. ²³
- 31. Based on the document below, the amount of the disbursement for "campaign management and consulting fee" was \$10,000.²⁴ This disbursement appears to be payment for the services that Mr. Collins provided to the campaign as a consultant, which he described to the OCE.²⁵



32. Mr. Collins was paid \$10,000 in 2008 for the services that he provided to John Lewis for Congress.

 ²⁰ Excerpts of John Lewis for Congress 2008 Federal Election Commission Itemized Disbursement Reports ("2008 FEC Reports") (Exhibit 4 at 11-4518_017-019).
 ²¹ Id.

 ²²Id. The reports note that the following payments are for reimbursed expenses: payment on February 7, 2008 for \$499.36; payment on February 25, 2008 for \$475.50; and payment on March 5, 2008 for \$23.86.
 ²³A House employee may not receive reimbursement for expenses incurred on behalf of a campaign other than for

²³A House employee may not receive reimbursement for expenses incurred on behalf of a campaign other than for travel expenses. See supra note 15; House Ethics Manual 139. Based on the information before the OCE, it is unclear whether the campaign reimbursed Mr. Collins in 2008 for travel expenses or other expenses.
²⁴ 2008 FEC Reports (Exhibit 4 at 11-4518 019).

²⁵ Collins MOI (Exhibit 2 at 11-4518_006).

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2009 Outside Earned Income

- 33. According to the disclosure reports that John Lewis for Congress filed with the FEC, disbursements totaling \$28,848.72 were paid to Mr. Collins in 2009.²⁶
- 34. The total of \$28,848.72 in disbursements consisted of payments for reimbursements and consulting fees.27
- 35. The amount of the disbursement for reimbursements was \$1,848.72.28 These disbursements appear to be repayments to Mr. Collins for expenses that he incurred on behalf of the campaign and do not appear to be earned income.²⁹
- 36. The amount of disbursements for consulting fees was \$27,000.30 These disbursements appear to be payments for the services that he provided to the campaign as a consultant, which he described to the OCE.31

²⁶ Excerpts of John Lewis for Congress 2009 Federal Election Commission Itemized Disbursement Reports ("2009

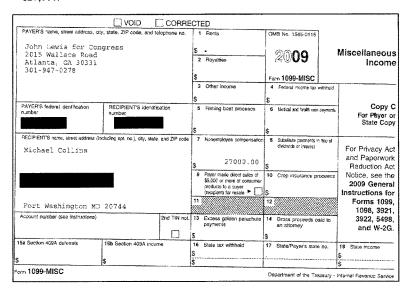
^{4518 026);} Collins MOI (Exhibit 2 at 11-4518 007). He cashed the \$700 check and paid each consultant \$350 for their services. February 27, 2009 Email (Exhibit 6 at 11-4518 026). As a result, Mr. Collins describes this disbursement as a payment to other staffers and not a reimbursement of any expense that he incurred on behalf of the campaign.

A House employee may not receive reimbursement for expenses incurred on behalf of a campaign other than for travel expenses. See supra note 15; House Ethics Manual 139. Based on the information before the OCE, it is unclear whether the campaign reimbursed Mr. Collins in 2009 for travel expenses or other expenses 2009 FEC Reports (Exhibit 5 at 11-4518_023-024).

³¹ Collins MOI (Exhibit 2 at 11-4518_006).

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37. Based on the document below, the Internal Revenue Service Form 1099 for calendar year 2009 that Mr. Collins received from John Lewis for Congress indicates that he was paid \$27,000. 32



- 38. Mr. Collins was paid \$27,000 in 2009 for the services that he provided to John Lewis for Congress.
 - C. Mr. Collins Did Not Include His Outside Earned Income on His Calendar Year 2007 Financial Disclosure Statement
- 39. On June 16, 2008, Mr. Collins filed his Calendar Year 2007 Financial Disclosure Statement with the Office of the Clerk.³³

Michael Collins Form 1099-MISC Miscellaneous Income for Calendar Year 2009 ("2009 1099 Form") (Exhibit 7 at 11-4518_028). According to the reports that the John Lewis for Congress campaign filed with the FEC, the campaign paid Mr. Collins \$27,700.
 Michael Collins Calendar Year 2007 Financial Disclosure Statement, dated June 16, 2008 ("2007 FD") (Exhibit 8

³³ Michael Collins Calendar Year 2007 Financial Disclosure Statement, dated June 16, 2008 ("2007 FD") (Exhibit 8 at 11-4518_030-032).

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- 40. The first question on the form asks: "Did you or your spouse have 'earned' income (e.g., salaries or fees) of \$200 or more from any source in the reporting period?"³⁴ In response to the question, Mr. Collins' checked the "No" box. 35
- 41. Based on the document below, Mr. Collins' Calendar Year 2007 Financial Disclosure Statement does not disclose the \$5,000 that John Lewis for Congress reported paying him for his consulting services in 2007.36

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D. Mr. Collins Did Not Include His Outside Earned Income on His Calendar Year 2008 Financial Disclosure Statement

- 42. On May 15, 2009, Mr. Collins filed his Calendar Year 2008 Financial Disclosure Statement with the Office of the Clerk.³⁷
- 43. The first question on the form asks: "Did you or your spouse have 'earned' income (e.g., salaries or fees) of \$200 or more from any source in the reporting period?"38 In response to the question, Mr. Collins' checked the "No" box. 39

³⁴ *Id.*35 *Id.*36 2007 FD (Exhibit 8 at 11-4518_030-032).
37 Michael Collins Calendar Year 2008 Financial Disclosure Statement, dated May 15, 2009 ("2008 FD") (Exhibit 9 at 11-4518_034-038).

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44. Based on the document below, Mr. Collins' Calendar Year 2008 Financial Disclosure Statement does not disclose the \$10,000 that John Lewis for Congress reported paying him for his consulting services in 2008.40

	STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES YEAR 2008 FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT	FORM A Page 1: For use by Members, officers, and employ	
	Michael Collins (Full Name)	202-225 (Daytime Telephone)	2
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E. Mr. Collins Did Not Disclose His Outside Earned Income on His Calendar Year 2009 Financial Disclosure Statement

- 45. On May 17, 2010, Mr. Collins filed his Calendar Year 2009 Financial Disclosure Statement with the Office of the Clerk. 41
- 46. The first question on the form asks: "Did you or your spouse have 'earned' income (e.g., salaries or fees) of \$200 or more from any source in the reporting period?"42 In response to the question, Mr. Collins' checked the "No" box. 43

⁴⁰ *Id.*⁴¹ Michael Collins Calendar Year 2009 Financial Disclosure Statement, dated May 17, 2010 ("2009 FD") (Exhibit 10 at 11-4518_040-044). ⁴² Id. at 11-4518_040. ⁴³ Id.

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47. Based on the document below, Mr. Collins' Calendar Year 2009 Financial Disclosure Statement does not disclose the \$27,000 that the John Lewis for Congress campaign reported paying him for his consulting services in 2009.44

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- 48. The OCE asked Mr. Collins to explain why he did not report the 2009 outside earned income on his Calendar Year 2009 Financial Disclosure Statement. Mr. Collins told the OCE that the failure to report was negligence on his part and that he thought money from the campaign did not have to be reported because he said that he considered the money to be a bonus and not a salary. 45
- 49. Mr. Collins stated to the OCE that he believes he has never reported the money that he earns from the campaign on his financial disclosure statements throughout his thirteen years as Chief of Staff. 46
- 50. As a result of this Review, on March 11, 2011, Mr. Collins filed an amended Calendar Year 2009 Financial Disclosure Statement with the Office of the Clerk. 47 The amended disclosure statement reports that Mr. Collins received \$27,000 in salary from John Lewis for Congress in 2009.48
- 51. Based on the information before the OCE, Mr. Collins has not amended his financial disclosure statements for calendar years 2007 and 2008.

⁴⁴ *Id.*45 Collins MOI (Exhibit 2 at 11-4518_007).

⁴⁷ Michael Collins Amended Calendar Year 2009 Financial Disclosure Statement, dated March 11, 2011 (Exhibit 11 at 11-4518_046-048).

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F. Mr. Collins Did Not Disclose His Outside Earned Income on His Federal Income Tax Returns

- 52. According to information that Mr. Collins produced to the OCE, he did not report income from John Lewis for Congress on his federal income tax return statement for calendar year 2009.49
- 53. Mr. Collins' Form 1040 Income Tax Return for calendar year 2009 does not disclose that he received \$27,000 of earned income in addition to his House salary. 50
- 54. The OCE asked Mr. Collins to explain why he did not report the 2009 outside income on his calendar year 2009 federal income tax returns. Mr. Collins told the OCE that he did not report the income on his tax returns for the same reason that he did not report the income on his financial disclosure statement.⁵¹ He believed that the income from the campaign was not reportable.52
- 55. He told the OCE that, during his thirteen year employment with the campaign, he believes he has never reported his income from the campaign on his federal tax returns.⁵³
- 56. As a result of this review, on or about April 4, 2011, Mr. Collins filed an amended 1040 Income Tax Return for calendar year 2009.54 The amended tax return reports that Mr. Collins received \$27,000 in miscellaneous income in 2009.55

G. Mr. Collins Exceeded the 2009 Outside Earned Income Limit

- 57. On February 12, 2009, the Committee on Ethics issued a memorandum to all Members, Officers, and employees of the House concerning the outside earned income limit and outside employment restrictions.56
- 58. The memorandum explained that "the outside earned income limit for Members and senior staff for calendar year 2009 is \$26,550."57

⁴⁹ Collins MOI (Exhibit 2 at 11-4518_007).

⁵⁰Michael Collins Form 1040 U.S. Individual Income Tax Return Calendar Year 2009, dated February 27, 2010 ("2009 Tax Return") (Exhibit 12 at 11-4518_050-057). Collins MOI (Exhibit 2 at 11-4518_007).

⁵³ Id.

Michael Collins Amended U.S. Individual Income Tax Return Calendar year 2009, dated April 4, 2011 (Exhibit 13 at 11-4518_059-062).

⁵⁶ 2009 Outside Earned Income Memo (Exhibit 1 at 11-4518_002-003).

⁵⁷ Id. at 11-4518_002.

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- 59. "[T]he outside earned income limit applies to House officers and employees paid at or above the rate of \$117,787 for more than 90 days in 2009."58
- 60. Mr. Collins was subject to the outside earned income limit in 2009 because the House paid him more than \$117,787 for more than 90 days. According to his Form W-2 Wage and Tax Statement for Calendar Year 2009, the House paid him \$151,077.53.59
- 61. As explained in Part II.B, above, he was paid \$27,000 in outside earned income in 2009.
- 62. Mr. Collins' outside earned income that he received from John Lewis for Congress exceeded the outside earned income limit of \$26,550.
- 63. Mr. Collins told the OCE that he has been aware of the outside earned income limit throughout his thirteen year employment with the House.⁶⁰
- 64. He also told the OCE that in 2009, he was aware that there was a limit on outside earned income, but he did not know that he was near the limit. He is responsible for approving all expenditures for the campaign, including staff salaries.⁶¹

III. CONCLUSION

- 65. John Lewis for Congress paid Mr. Collins a total of \$42,000 from 2007 to 2009.62
- 66. During this time period, Mr. Collins knew of the outside earned income limit and the financial disclosure requirements. He knew of the limit and financial disclosure requirements for the over thirteen years that he has been employed as Chief of Staff for Representative Lewis.63
- 67. On his financial disclosure statements for calendar years 2007, 2008, and 2009, Mr. Collins reported that he did not receive any outside earned income. 64 During this same time period, he worked for the campaign committee and approved the payment of his own salary.65

Michael Collins' Form W-2 Wage and Tax Statement for Calendar Year 2009 (Exhibit 14 at 11-4518_064).
 Collins MOI (Exhibit 2 at 11-4518_005-006).

^{62 2007} FEC Reports (Exhibit 3 at 11-4518_010-015); 2008 FEC Reports (Exhibit 4 at 11-4518_017-019); 2009 FEC Reports (Exhibit 5 at 11-4518_021-024).

Collins MOI (Exhibit 2 at 11-4518 005-006).

^{64 2007} FD (Exhibit 8 at 11-4518 030-032); 2008 FD (Exhibit 9 at 11-4518_034-038); 2009 FD (Exhibit 10 at 11-4518 40-044).

⁶⁵ Collins MOI (Exhibit 2 at 11-4518_006-007).

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- 68. On his federal income tax return for calendar year 2009, Mr. Collins did not report any income received from John Lewis for Congress.66
- 69. In 2009, the campaign paid Mr. Collins \$27,000, which exceeded the outside earned income limit.67
- 70. Based on the information available to the OCE during this Review, there is substantial reason to believe that Mr. Collins violated House Rule 25, clause 1(a)(1); House Rule 26, clause 2; 5 U.S.C. app. 4 §§ 101, 102, 104, and 501 (a)(1); and federal tax law because he (1) failed to include his outside earned income from John Lewis for Congress on his financial disclosure statements for calendar years 2007, 2008, and 2009, (2) failed to report his earned income from John Lewis for Congress on his federal tax returns for calendar year 2009, and (3) exceeded the outside earned income limit in 2009.
- 71. For these reasons, the Board recommends that the Committee on Ethics further review the allegations described above concerning Mr. Collins.

^{66 2009} Tax Return (Exhibit 7 at 11-4518_028). 67 2009 1099 Form (Exhibit 7 at 11-4518_028).

EXHIBIT 1

U.S. House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS OF OFFICIAL CONDUCT

Washington, DC 20515

February 12, 2009

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL MEMBERS, OFFICERS, AND EMPLOYEES

FROM:

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct
Zoe Lofgren, Chair
Jo Bonner, Ranking Republican Member

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SUBJECT: The 2009 Outside Earned Income Limit and Salaries Triggering the Financial

Disclosure Requirement and Post-Employment Restrictions

THE OUTSIDE EARNED INCOME LIMIT AND OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT RESTRICTIONS

By statute and House rule, the amount of outside earned income that Members and "senior staff" (as defined below) may have in any calendar year is limited. 5 U.S.C. app. 4 § 501(a)(1); House Rule 25, cl. 1(a)(1). In addition to House Members, the limit applies to House officers and employees who are paid at a rate equal to or greater than 120% of the minimum pay for GS-15 of the general schedule for more than 90 days in a calendar year. The GS-15, step 1 rate of basic pay for 2009 is \$98,156 (locality pay is not considered in making this determination). Accordingly, the outside earned income limit applies to House officers and employees paid at or above the rate of \$117,787 for more than 90 days in 2009.

The amount of the outside earned income limit for any year is 15% of the rate of pay for Level II of the Executive Schedule in effect on January 1 of the year. The rate of pay for Executive Level II in 2009 is \$177,000. Accordingly, the outside earned income limit for Members and senior staff for calendar year 2009 is \$26,550.

Under clauses 1-4 of House Rule 25 and related provisions of statutory law, Members, as well as officers and employees paid at or above the "senior staff" threshold rate, are also subject to a number of specific limitations on the types of outside employment. Information on these limitations is provided on pages 213 to 228 of the 2008 House Ethics Manual, which is available on the Standards Committee website (ethics.house.gov). The Committee's Office of Advice and Education (extension 5-7103) can provide further explanation.

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FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

The requirement to file a Financial Disclosure Statement applies both to Members and to House officers and employees who are paid at a rate equal to or greater than 120% of the minimum pay for GS-15 for at least 60 days at any time during a calendar year. 5 U.S.C. app. 4 § 109(13). As noted above, 120% of GS-15 is now \$117,787, and thus House officers and employees who are paid at or above that rate of pay (referred to as the "senior staff rate") for at least 60 days during 2009 must file a Financial Disclosure Statement in May 2010. In addition, any new employee paid at that rate must file a new employee Financial Disclosure Statement within 30 days of beginning House employment.

Please note that the requirement to file a Financial Disclosure Statement covering calendar year 2008 applies to officers and employees who were paid at an annual rate of \$114,468 for at least 60 days in 2008. The annual Financial Disclosure Statements for 2008 are due on Friday, May 15, 2009 for those individuals who continue to be officers or employees of the House on that date.

POST-EMPLOYMENT RESTRICTIONS

Members and officers of the House, as well as certain House employees, are subject to post-employment restrictions on lobbying. 18 U.S.C. § 207. A former employee of a Member, committee, or leadership office is subject to the restrictions if, for at least 60 days during the one-year period preceding termination of House employment, the employee was paid at a rate equal to or greater than 75% of the basic rate of pay for Members at the time of termination.

The basic rate of pay for Members in 2009 is \$174,000. Therefore, the post-employment threshold for employees who depart from a job in a Member, committee, or leadership office during 2009 is \$130,500. The triggering salary for employees of other House or legislative branch offices (such as the CBO, GAO, and Library of Congress) is Level IV of the Executive Schedule, which for 2009 is \$153,200. Information on the post-employment restrictions applicable to Members and staff is available in a pair of Standards Committee advisory memoranda, copies of which are available on the Committee website.

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CALENDAR YEAR 2009

OUTSIDE EARNED INCOME AND	
OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT THRESHOLD	\$117,787
FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE THRESHOLD	\$117,787
POST-EMPLOYMENT THRESHOLD	
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For employees of "other legislative offices"	

OUTSIDE EARNED INCOME CAP.....\$ 26,550

EXHIBIT 2

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OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ETHICS UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MEMORANDUM OF INTERVIEW

IN RE: Michael Collins

REVIEW No.: 11-4518 DATE: March 9, 2011

LOCATION: OCE

425 3rd Street, SW Washington, DC 20515

TIME: 3:05 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. (approximate)

PARTICIPANTS: Kedric L. Payne

Paul J. Solis

<u>SUMMARY</u>: Michael Collins is the Chief of Staff for Representative John Lewis of the 5th District of Georgia. The OCE requested an interview with Mr. Collins on March 9, 2011, and he consented to an interview. Mr. Collins (the "witness") made the following statements in response to our questioning:

- The witness was given an 18 U.S.C. § 1001 warning and consented to an interview. He signed a written acknowledgement of the warning, which will be placed in the case file in this review.
- 2. The witness has been the Chief of Staff and Floor Assistant for Representative John Lewis for approximately thirteen years.
- The witness did not work for any other congressional office prior to his employment with Representative Lewis.
- 4. As a Floor Assistant, he is responsible for supporting the whip operations for Representative Lewis, who serves as the Democratic Chief Deputy Whip.
- 5. As Chief of Staff, he is the senior chief policy advisor for Representative Lewis. The witness has various duties, including the hiring, firing, promoting, and training of the office staff. The witness also has payroll responsibilities for the office. He prepares staff payroll documents and submits them to the House payroll office.
- 6. The witness arranges ethics training from the Committee on Ethics ("COE") for office staff. The witness provides ethics requirements from the COE to office staff and offers office staff personalized ethics briefings from COE staff. The witness also mentions the

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- Subject to the Nondisclosure Provisions of H. Res. 895 of the 110th Congress as Amended outside earned income limit to staff but does not discuss it in detail because only the witness approached the limit.
- 7. The witness has worked for Representative Lewis' congressional campaign committee (the "campaign") for approximately thirteen years. The witness stated that under the house rules, he assumes that his position and title at the campaign should be listed as "Agent to the campaign." The witness also provides consulting services to the campaign.
- 8. His duties for the campaign include overseeing all operations, hiring staff, paying bills, handling invoices and receipts. He also writes payroll checks for campaign staff. In the memo section of the checks, he writes "salary."
- The witness stated that Representative Lewis must approve any campaign expenditures.
 No one else is involved in approving campaign expenditures besides Representative Lewis and the witness.
- 10. The witness explained that the campaign hires a variable number of staff each election cycle. During the 2009/2010 election cycle, there were approximately three fulltime employees on the campaign payroll. These three staffers were employed with Representative Lewis' congressional office. The witness explained that he is responsible for paying the staffers from the campaign account; however, he has no role processing tax forms for staffers.
- 11. The campaign employs Vickie Winpisinger as an accountant for the campaign. As part of her duties for the campaign, she prepares reports for the Federal Election Commission ("FEC"). Before Ms. Winpinsinger files reports with the FEC, the witness reviews the reports for errors and discrepancies.
- 12. The witness told the OCE that he has been aware of the outside earned income limit throughout his thirteen year employment with the House of Representatives.
- 13. In 2009, he was aware that there was a limit on outside earned income, but he did not know that he was near the limit or that a possible infraction occurred until the OCE contacted him.
- 14. Following the initiation of this review, the witness contacted the COE and COE staff advised him to amend his 2009 financial disclosure statement. He has not amended the financial disclosure statement at the time of the interview.
- 15. The OCE asked the witness about a letter from Ms. Winpisinger to him, dated March 2, 2011 (Camp_012), indicating that the campaign paid him \$27,700 in 2009. He was also asked about the 2009 Form 1099 that the campaign issued to him (MC_0016), which indicates that the campaign paid him \$27,000.

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- 16. In response, the witness stated that he is not sure why the two documents have a \$700 difference in the amount that the campaign paid him. He believes that he received a \$700 payment in February 2009 that was a reimbursement for campaign storage costs and not part of his salary. He stated that sometimes reimbursements are paid as part of an employee's salary.
- 17. When asked why he did not report any income from the campaign on his 2009 financial disclosure statement, the witness stated that it was "negligence" and he thought that money from the campaign did not have to be reported. He considered the money from the campaign to be a bonus and not a salary. He did not seek advice from anyone on this issue.
- 18. The witness received a salary from the campaign for all thirteen years of his employment. The money is paid to him at the discretion of Representative Lewis. His salary changes each year. In 2009, the campaign paid the witness the largest amount to date.
- 19. The witness told the OCE that during his thirteen years of employment with the campaign, he does not think that he reported the campaign income on his financial disclosure statement.
- 20. The OCE asked the witness about his 2009 Form 1040 Federal Income Tax Return (MC-0007-0014). He stated that he did not report the income from the campaign to the Internal Revenue Service for the same reason that he did not report it on his financial disclosure statement, i.e., it was not reportable income.
- 21. The witness told the OCE that during his thirteen years of employment with the campaign, he does not think that he reported the campaign income on his federal income tax returns.
- 22. Since the initiation of this review, he has talked to his tax preparer about correcting the tax filing, but he has not attempted to correct the form at this time.

¹ On March 10, 2011, the day after the interview, the witness called the OCE and explained that the \$700 payment dated February 1, 2009 was not part of his salary. The payment was for two staffers who assisted with moving storage for the campaign. The witness cashed the \$700 check written to him and paid each staffer \$350 for the work. The witness alluded to an email from him to Ms. Winpisinger, dated February 27, 2009, where he writes the following in response to her question about a \$700 check payable to the witness: "This was for consultants who moved campaign storage . . . Two individuals both were paid 350. I have invoices that both signed." (Camp_004).

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This memorandum was prepared on March 10, 2011, based on the notes that the OCE staff prepared during the interview with the witness on March 9, 2011. I certify that this memorandum contains all pertinent matter discussed with the witness on March 10, 2011.

Kedric L. Payne Investigative Counsel

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From: "Vickie Winpisinger" @comcast.net>
To: "Collins, Michael" <Michael Collins@mail.house.gov>
Sent: Friday, February 27, 2009 3:18 PM
Subject: Re: Reimbursement

and you're going to send me those invoices, right?

From: Collins, Michael
To: ____@comcast.net
Sent: Friday, February 27, 2009 2:50 PM
Subject: Re: Reimbursement

This was for consultants who moved campaign storage Two individules both were paid 350. I have invoices that both signed. Michael Collins Chief of Staff Office of Rep. John Lewis

From: Vickie Winpisinger < @comcast.net>

To: Collins, Michael

Sent; Fri Feb 27 14:39:32 2009 Subject: Reimbursement

Michael, you wrote a check to yourself for 700 for reimbursement for storage -- where is the storage? I need to itemize this.

Vickie

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400 Peachtree Street Atlanta, GA	\$100,001 - \$250,000	RENT	\$1,001 - \$2,500	
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	Bank of America	Mortgage on 400 Peachtree Street, Atlanta, GA	\$100,001 - \$250,000
	American Servicing Company (ASC)	Mortgage on 1729 Felwood Street, Fort Washington, MD 20744	\$500,001 - \$1,000,000

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SCHEDULE VIII - POSITIONS	Name Michael Collins Page 5 of 5
Report all positions, compensated or uncompensate representative, employee, or consultant of any corportications or other institution other than the United honorary nature; and positions issed on Schedule I.	Report all positions, compensated or uncompensated, held during the current calendar year as an officer, director, trustee of an organization, partner, proprietor, representative, employee, or consultant of any corporation, firm, partnership, or any business enterprise, any nonprofit organization, any labor organization, or any educational or other institution other than the United States. Exclude: Positions held in any religious, social, fraternal, or political entitles; positions solely of an horizon rature, and positions listed on Schedule I.
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SCHEDULE III - ASSETS AND "UNEARNED" INCOME	BLOCKA	defaulty (a) season asset held for investment or production of income with a fair market value exceeding 14,000 at the end of the reporting period, and (b) any other assets or cources of income which period and (b) any other assets or cources of income which generated more than 520 in "unearneed" income during the year. For rental property or land, provide a complete address. Provide full ments of 300x8 and mutual funds (on our out felter symbols). To all files and other retirement plans (sech as 401(k) plans) that are sail directed (la., plans in the account that exceed the reporting period. To all files and other retirement plans (sech as 401(k) plans) that are sail directed (la., plans in the account that exceed the value and income information on each asset in the account that exceed the reporting period. For an active business that is not publicly traded, state the name of the business, the enter no (its activities, and its appropriate period. For an activities, that is not publicly traded, state the name of the business, the return of its activities, and its appropriate location in Block A. For additional information, see the instruction booklet. Exclude: Your presonal residence(s) (unless there is rental income): any debt towed to you by your spouse, or ty your or your spouse's child, aswings accounts; any financial interest in oi income derived from U. & Government retirement programs. It was not hoped by your spouse, or ty your or your spouse's plant in the optional column on the far left.	400 W. Peachtreet Street	44 Peachtree PI

SCHE	SCHEDULE V - LIABILITIES	Name Michael Collins	Page 3 of 5
Report II; amount c furniture, cards) or	Report hisbilities of over \$10,000 oved to any one creditor at any time during the reporting period by you, your spouse, or dependent child. Mark the highest amount owed during the year. Exclude. Any mortgage on your personal reddence (unless all or part of it is rented out); loans secured by automobiles, household furniture, or appliances; and liabilities owed to a spouse, or the child, parent, or sibiling of you or your spouse. Report "revolving charge accounts" (i.e., credit cards) only if the balance at the close of the preceding calendar year exceeded \$10,000.	if the reporting period by you, your spouse, or deperdedence (unless all or par of it is rented out); toans it, or sibling of you or your spouse. Report "revolvitied \$10,000.	nndent child. Mark the highest secured by automobiles, household ing charge accounts" (i.e., credit
sp, DC,			
٦٢	Creditor	Type of Liability	Amount of Liability
	Bank of America	Mortgage on 400 W. Peachtree Street, Atlanta, GA	\$100,001 - \$250,000
	Bank of America	Mortgage on 44 W. Peachtree Place, Atlanta, GA	\$100,001 - \$250,000
	ACS	Mortgage on 1729 Felwood Street, Fort Washington, MD 20744	\$500,001 - \$1,000,000

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	SCHEDULE VII - TRAVEL PAYMENTS AND REIMBURSEMENTS

Identify the source and list travel timerary, dates, and nature of expenses provided for travel and travel-related expenses totaling more than \$335 received by you,
your spouse, or a dependent child during the reporting period. Indicate whether a family member accompanied the traveler at the sponsor's expense, and the
amount of time, if any, that was not at the sponsor's expense. Disclosure is required regardless of whether the expenses were reimbursed or paid directly by the
sponsor. Exclude: Travel-related expenses provided by federal, state, and local governments, or by a foreign government required to be separately reported under
the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (5 U.S.C § 7342); political travel that is required to be reported under the Federal Election Campaign Act; travel provided to a
spouse or dependent child that is totally independent of his or her relationship to you.

Source	Date(s)	Point of Departure DestinationPoint of Return	Lodging? Food? (Y/N) (Y/N)	Food? (Y/N)	Lodging? Food? Member Included? (Y/N) (Y/N)	Days not at sponsor's expense
San Diego	April 19-20	April 19-20 ATL-San Diego, CA-ATL	>-	>	Z	None
Emerson Colleg	May 17-18	May 17-18 ATL-Boston, MA-DC	· >	>	Z	None
Sadie Grice Funny Scholarship	Aug. 29-30	Aug. 29-30 DC-Myrtle Beach, SC-ATL	>	· 	Z	None

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CALENDAR YEAR 2009 FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Please provide the following information. Your address and signature WILL NOT be made available to the public.

(Daytime Telephone) 202-225fort Washington, MD 20744 (Print Full Name) Michael Collins

(Complete Address -- Office or Home)

CERTIFICATION -- THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE SIGNED BY THE REPORTING INDIVIDUAL AND DATED

The attached Financial Disclosure Statement is required by the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, as amended. The Statement will be available to any requesting person upon withdra application and will be reviewed by the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct or its designes. Any individual who knowingly and willfully falsifies, or who knowingly and willtuily falsifies, or who knowingly and willtuily falsifies, or who knowingly and willtuily fals to file the attached report may be subject to civil penalties and criminal sanctions (See U.S.C. app. 4, § 104 and 18 U.S.C. § 1001). Date (Month, Day, Year) 3/11/2011 Signature of Reporting Individual

I CERTIFY that the statements I have made on the attached financied disclosure statement and all attached achedules are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Certification

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UNITED :	UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES	OF REPRESEN	TATIVES	FORM A	Page 0 of 0	DELIVERED
CALENDAR	CALENDAR YEAR 2009 FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT	ASCLOSURE STATE	MENT	For use by Members, officers, and employees, chist ATIVE RESOURCE CENTER	nd employees e.	ISI ATIVE RESOURCE CENTH
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Filar	Member of the U.S.	State:	59	Officer Or Employing Office:		A \$200 penalty shall
Status	House of Representatives	fives District:		Employee Hon. John Lewis		be assessed against
Report	☐ Annual (May 15)	Amendment	Termination	Termination Date; ation		more than 30 days late.
PRELIMINA	PRELIMINARY INFORMATION ANSWER EACH OF THESE QUESTIONS	- ANSWER EACH	OF THESE	QUESTIONS		
Did you or you I. or more from	Did you or your spouse have "esmed" income (e.g., salaries or fees) of \$200 or more from any source in the reporting period?	.g., salaries or fees) of \$200	□ % 58 88,	Did you, your apouts, or a dependent child receive any reportable gift in the VI. reporting period (i.e., aggregating more than \$335 and not otherwise	d receive any reportably an \$335 and not otherw	egittin the
If yes, comp	If yes, complete and attach Schedule I,		******		. V.	
Did any indiving to a special	Did any individual or organization make a donation to charity in lieu of paying you for a spoech, appearance, or article in the reporting period?	on to charity in lieu of paying conting partiod?	N C sey	Did you, your apouse, or a dependent ohlid receive any reportable travel or VII. reimbursements for travel in the reporting period (worth more than \$335	d receive any reportable period (worth more the	n 8335 Yes V
If yes, comp	If yes, complete and attach Schedule II.			from one source?? If yes, complete and attach Schedule VII.	VII.	
Did you, your Ill. more than \$20	Did you, your spouse, or a dependent child receive "unearmed" known of more than \$500 in the receipt of the control of the con	ve "unearned" Income of ny reportable easet worth	ON DS 88%	Did you hold any reportable positions on or before the date of filing in the VIII. current calendar year?	or before the date of fills	ON See Yes
if yes, comp	if yes, complete and attach Schedule III.			if yes, complete and attach Schedule VIII.	• VIII.	
W. reportable ass	Did you, your spouse, or dependent child purchase, sell, or exchange any majorizable asset in a transaction exceeding \$1,000 during the reporting	se, sell, or exchange any to during the reporting	Yes (Did you have any reportable agreement or arrangement with an outside IX. entity?	arrengement with an o	Ves 🗆 No 🔾
If yes, comp	if yes, complete and strach Schedule IV.			if yes, complete and attach Schedule IX.	ıX.	
V. than \$10,000)	Did you, your spouse, or a dependent child have any reportable liability (more than \$10,000) during the reporting pertod?	any reportable liability (more	Yes V	Each question in this part must be answered and the appropriate	st be answered	and the appropriate
If yes, comp	if yes, complete and attach Schedule V.			schedule attached for each "Yes" response	fes" response.	•
EXCLUSIO	N OF SPOUSE, DEPE	ENDENT, OR TRU	IST INFORM	EXCLUSION OF SPOUSE, DEPENDENT, OR TRUST INFORMATION ANSWER EACH OF THESE QUESTIONS	THESE QUES	TIONS
Trusts	Details regarding "Quell trusts" need not be disc	iffed Blind Trusts" appro- closed. Have you exclude	ved by the Commit ad from this report	Details regarding "Quelitied Bind Trusts" approved by the Committee on Standerds of Official Conduct and certain other "excepted the state had been certain other "excepted the state had been setting you, your spouse, or dependent bille?	ertain other "except spouse, or depende	ed Yes 🗆 No 😿
Exemptions		n this report any other as: hree tests for exemption? ynduct.	sets, "unearned" ir Do not enswer "y	Have you excluded from this report any other assets, "unearned" income, transactions, or liabilities of a spouse or depandent child decises they because thay meet all three leats for examption? Do not answer "yes" unless you have first consulted with the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct.	se or dependent chi le Committee on	id Yes 🗌 No 🔀

SCHEDULE I - EARNED INCOME	Name Michael Collins	
List the source, type, and amount of earned income from any source (other than the filler's current employment by the U.S. Government) totaling \$200 or more during the preceding calendar year. For a spouse, list the source and amount of any honoraria; list only the source for other spouse earned income exceeding \$1,000.	m any source (other than the filer's current employmer the source and amount of any honorarie; list only the s	t by the U.S. Government) totaling \$200 or more ource for other spouse earned income exceeding
Source	Туре	Amount
John Lewis for Congress	salary	\$27,000

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ce page 14.) E	If a joint ret	rn, scouse's first name and initial L	ast name		Spouse's	social security number
Use the IRS						
Otherwise E	Home addr	iss (number and street). If you have a P.O. box, see page 14,		Apt. no.		ou must enter our SSN(s) above.
please print R	City town o	post office, state, and ZIP code. If you have a foreign address	St spe náce 14			
ortype E Presidential		Washington	MD 20744	-0000		ng a box below will not your tax or refund.
Election Campa		Check here if you, or your spouse if filing jointly				fou Spouse
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Filing 2	Marrie	d filing jointly (even if only one had income)	qualitying perso chlid's name he	n is a chilid but not your dece ins.	indent, ente	vit≐s
Status 3 Check only	Mented	filing separately. Enter spouse's SSN above	. •			·
one box.	and full	name here. >	5 Qualifying w	idow(er) with depende	ent child (see page 16)
Exemptions	6a	X Yourself. If someone can claim you as a dep		к ба •••••	3	Boxes checked on Ba and Bb 1
Exemptions		Spouse				No. of children
	c	Dependents:		(3) Dependents qualificationship to	heck V ying child hild trox (See PO17)	os 5c who: • lived with you
	(1) First nac	né Lest name	social security number	you credi	182 Ro17	did not live with you dise to divorce
If more than four					-	or separation (see page 18)
dependents, sco					-	
page 17 and					-	Dependents on 6a not entered above
check here	đ	Total number of exemptions claimed •				Add numbers on 1
***************************************	7	Wages, salaries, flos, etc. Atlach Form(s) W-2			7	151,078
Income	8a	Taxable interest, Attach Schedule B if required			- 8a	71
	b	Tax-exempt interest. Do not include on line 8a	8b		1	
Attach Form(s) W-2 here. Also	9a	Ordinary dividends. Attach Schedule 3 if regula	red · · · · · · · · · · ·		. 9a	
attach Forms	b	Qualified dividends (see page 22)				
W-2G and	10	Taxable refunds, credits, or offsets of state and	10	4,436		
1099-R if tax was withheld.	11	Alimony received	. 11			
was withhard	12	Business income or (loss). Attach Schedule C	or C-EZ · · · · · · ·	· · · · · · · · · · <u>·</u>	- 12	
If you did not	13	Capital gain or (loss). Attach Schedule D if requ		khere 🕨 📙	13	
get a W-2,	14	Other gains or (losses). Attach Form 4797 •			14	
вее раде 22.	15a	IRA distributions 15a		ble amount (800 page 24)		
	16a	Pensions and annulties • • 16a		ble amount (see page 26		
Enclose, but do not attach, any	17 18	Rental real estate, royalties, partnerships, S co	rporations, trusts, etc. Att		17	(13,088)
payment. Also,	19	Farm income or (loss). Attach Schedule F . Unemployment.compensation in excess of \$2,4			- 18	
please use	20a	Social security benefits - 20a		ble amount (see page 27		
Form 1040-V.	21	Other Income	In Yava	nia entionis (see bege 2)	21	
	22	Add the amounts in the far right column for line	s 7 through 21. This is vo	ur total income	22	142,500
	23	Educator expenses (see page 29) · · · · · ·	23		1	132/300
Adjusted	24	Certain business expenses of reservists, performing artists, a	and	***************************************	1 1	
Gross		fee-basis govornment officials. Attach Form 2105 or 2106-E.	z • • • • 24		1. 1	
Income	25	Health savings account deduction. Attach Form				
	26	Moving expenses. Attach Form 3903 · · · ·]	
	27	One-half of self-employment tax. Attach Sched			1 1	
	28	Seif-employed SEP, SIMPLE, and qualified pla	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		1 1	
	29	Self-emp.oyed health insurance deduction (see			-1. 1	
	30 31a	Penalty on early withdrawal of savings	30		411	
	31a 32	Allmony paid b Recipient's SSN >	31a		- 1	
	33	!RA deduction (see page 31) Student loan interest deduction (see page 34)			401	
	34	Tuition and fees deduction. Affach Form 8917			-	
	35	Domestic production activities deduction. Attack			41	
	36	Add lines 23 through 31a and 32 through 35	**********		. 36	
	37	Subtract line 36 from line 22. This is your adjus-	ted gross income		37	142,500
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	38	Amount from line 37 (adjusted gross income)	38	142,500
Tax and	39a	Check You were born before January 2, 1945, Blind. Total boxes	30	
Credits		if: Spouse was born before January 2, 1945, ☐ Blind, Checked ▶39a	Jen	
Standard Deduction	L b	# your spouse Kemizes on a separate return or you were a dual-status atten, see pg 35 and check horo → 395 395		
for-	_40a	Itemized deductions (from Schedule A) or your standard deduction (see left margin)	40a	93,088
People who	b	If you are increasing your standard deduction by cortain real estate taxes, new motor		
check any box on line		vehicle taxes, or a net diseaser lose, attach Scheduler L and check have (eee page 35)		
box on line 39a, 39b, or 40b or who	41	Subtract line 40a from line 38	41	49,412
· can be	42	Exemptions. If line 38 is \$125,100 or less and you did not provide housing to a Midwestern	'nä	
claimed as a dependent.		displaced individual, multiply \$3,650 by the number on line 6d. Otherwise, see page 37	42	3,650
see page 35.	43	Taxable income. Subtract line 42 from line 41. If line 42 is more than line 41, enter -0-	43	45,762
 All others: 	44	Tax (see page 37). Check if any tax is from: a Form(s) 8814 b Form 4972 · ·	44	7,631
Single or Married filling	45	Alternative minimum tax (see page 40). Attach Form 6251	45	
separately,	46	Add lines 44 and 45	46	7,631
\$5,700	47	Foreign tax credit. Attach Form 1116 if required	2 to 1	
Married filing	48	Credit for child and dependent on a expenses. Attach Form 2441 48	- 1	
jointly or Qualifying	49	Education credits from Ferm 8863, line 29 · · · · · · · 49	200	
widow(er), \$11,400	50	Refirement savings contributions credit, Attach Form 8880 50	188	İ
	51 52	Child tax credit (see page 42)		
Head of household,		Credits from Form: a 8399 b 8839 c 6695 52	100	
\$8,350	53	Other cracits from Formx a 3900 b 9801 c 53	111	ļ
	54	Add lines 47 through 53. These are your total credits	54	
*****	55 56	Subtract line 54 from line 46, if line 54 is more than line 46, enter -0-	55	7,631
Other		Se'f-employmen't tax. Atlach Schedule SE	56	
Taxes	57	Unreported social security and Medicere tax from Form: a 4137 b 8919 · · · ·	57	
	58 59	Additional fax on IRAs, other qualified recrement plans, etc. Attach Form 5329 if required	58	
	60	Additional taxes: a AEIC payments b Household employment taxes. Attach Sch. H	59 60	
	61	Add lines 55 through 59. This is your total tax Federal Income tax withheld from Forms W-2 and 1099 61 3 2 3 4 0	60	7,631
Payments	62		100	
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If you have a	64a	Meking work pay and government retires credits. Attach Schedule M		
qualifying child, attach	Гъ	, i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i		
Schedule EIC.	65	Nontaxable combat pay election - 64b Additional child tax credit. Attach Form 8812 65	- 2	
L	66	Refundable education creck from Form 8863, line 18 · · · · 66		
	67	First-time homebuyer credit, Attach Form 5495 67		
	68	Amount paid with request for extension to file (see page 72) 68		
	69	Excess social security and filer 1 RRTA (ax withheld (see page 72) 69		
	70	Credits from Form: a 2459 b 4136 c 880; d 886; 70	5.5	
	71	Add lines 61, 62, 63, 64a, and 65 through 70. These are your total payments	71	32,340
	72	If Ene 71 is more than line 60, subtract line 60 from line 71. This is the amount you overpaid	72	24,709
Refund Direct 6eposit?	73a	Amount of line 72 you want refunded to you. If Form 8888 is attached, check here	73a	24,709
See page 73	▶ b	Routing number Cype: X Checking Savings		23//49
and fill in 73b,	▶ d	Account number		
73c, and 73d, or Form 8888.	74	Amount of the 72 you want sopplied to your 2010 estimated tax		
Amount	75	Amount you owe. Subtract line 71 from line 60. For details on how to pay, see page 74	75	
You Owe	76	Estimated tax penalty (see page 74)		
741-1 0-4	Do y	ou want to allow another person to discuss this return with the IRS (see page 75)? Yos. C	omple	te the following. X No
Third Party	Design	nee's Phone Personal identi	leation.	
Designee	name		(AND ALL	>
Sign	Under	penatios of parkury, I declare that I have examined this return and accompanying echedules and statements, and to the bas: of	of my kna	owiedge and ballef,
Here	they a	ire frue, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has t	eny knov	-
Joint return?	Your	signature NA (C) (L Date You compating O C)		Daytime phone number
See page 15. Keep a copy		MIKE 02-27-2010 WHY + MMY		_
for your	Spous	se's signature, if a joint return, both must sign. Date Spouse's occupation		202-225-
records.	***************************************			
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SCHEDULE (Form 1040			Itemized Deductions						
Department of the '	reas. ervice	Attach to Form 1040.	➤ See Instructions for Sche	dule A	(Form 1040),		Attachment Sequence No. 07		
Varre(s) shown on	Form	NO				Your sc	icial security number		
MICHAEL	C	LLINS							
Medical		Caution. Do not include expenses reimb	ursed or paid by others.	1					
and	1	Medical and dental expenses (see page	1 . 1						
Dental	2	Enter amount from Form 1040, line 38	2	1997		1.75			
Expenses	3	/fult/ply line 2 by 7.5% (.075)		3					
	4	Subtract line 3 from line 1. If line 3 is mo	re than line 1, enter -0- · ·			4			
Taxes You	5	State and local (check only one box):							
Paid		X Income taxes, or 1 · · ·		5	11,391				
(See		General sales taxes				1.4			
page A-2.)	6	Real estate taxes (see page A-5)		6	9,098				
	7	New motor vehicle taxes from line 11 of	the worksheet on			3			
		page 2. Skip this line if you checked box	55	7					
	8	Other taxes, List type and amount 🕨		: 6,4					
				8		3.65			
	9	Add lines 5 through 8				9	20,489		
Interest	10	forme mortgage interest and points repo	nted to you on Form 1098 .	10	64,799				
You Paid	11	-ome mortgage interest not reported to							
		paid to the person from whom you boug	nt the home, see page						
(See page A-6.)		A-7 and show that person's name, ident	fying no., and address			1.3			
			• •	2500					
Note. Personal				11		13.1			
interest is	12	Points not reported to you on Form 1098	See page A-7 for			1 1			
not deductible.		special rules		12					
иезиспые.	13	Qualified mortgage insurance premiums		13		1 1			
	14	Investment Interest. Attach Form 4952		14					
	15	Add lines 10 through 14		• • •		15	64,799		
Gifts to	16	Gifts by cash or check. If you made any			**************************************	1			
Charity		more, see page A-8		16	6,600	1. ^			
-	17	Other than by cash or check. If any gift o	of \$250 or more, see			1 - 1			
if you made a gift end got a		page A-8. You must attach Form 8283		17	1,200	1.1			
benefit for it,	18	Carryover from prior year		18		1			
see page A-8.	19					19	7,800		
Casualty and									
Theft Losses	20	Casualty or theft loss(es). Attach Form	4684. (See page A-10.) • • •			20			
Job Expenses	21	Unreimbursec employee expenses - job	travel, union dues, job						
and Certain		education, etc. Attach Form 2106 or 210	6-EZ if required. (See						
Miscellaneous	ŧ	page A-10.) 🕨		21					
Deductions	22	Tax preparation fees		22	WINDOWS	1 1			
(See	23	Other expenses - investment, safe depo	sit box, etc. List type						
page A-10.)		and amount 🕨		í. l					
				23					
	24	Add lines 21 through 23 · · · · · ·		24]			
	25	Enter amount from Form 1040, line 38	25].			
	26	Mu'tiply line 25 by 2% (.02) • • • • • •		26]			
-	27	Subtract line 26 from line 24. If line 26 i				27			
Other	28	Other - from list on page A-11, List type	and amount						
Miscellaneous Deductions						28			
Total	29	ls Form 1040, line 38, over \$166,800 (o	ver \$83,400 if married filing sep	arately)	?	\Box			
Itemized			Add the amounts in the far right	-					
Deductions			this amount on Form 1040, line		▶ ▶	29	93.088		
		Yes. Your deduction may be limited			er.				
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		deduction, check here							
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Sche	dule E (Form 1040) 2009					Attachment	Sequence No	. 13		Page 2	
Name(s) shown on return. Do not enter name a	and social security n	umper if shown on	page 1.		·····			ocial securit	ynumber	
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	income or Los which any amount	is not at risk, yo	ou must check	the box in	column (e) on	line 28 and at					
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9	Enter the amount from line 2			9	654
10	Enter: \$180,000 if married filing jointly; \$90,000 if single, head of				
	household, or qualifying widow(er)	10	90,000		
11	Enter the amount from Form 1040, line 38,* or Form 1040A, line 22	11	142,500		
12	Subtract line 11 from line 10. If zero or less, stop; you cannot take any			1	
	education credit	12			
13	Enter. \$20,000 if married filing jointly; \$10,000 if single, head of household,			1.3	
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	. Less than line 13, divide line 12 by line 13. Enter the result as a decimal (rounded to		•	14	
	at least three places) • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •]		
15	Multiply line 9 by line 14. Caution; if you were under age 24 at the end of the year and	meet			
	the conditions on page 5 of the instructions, you cannot take the refundable American	opport	unity	12.00	
	credit. Skip line 16, entor the amount from line 15 on line 17, and check this box		••▶ 🔲	15	
16	Refundable American opportunity credit. Multiply line 15 by 40% (.40). Enter the amount	int her	e and		
	on Form 1040, line 66, or Form 1040A, line 43. Then go to line 17 below			16	. 0
Par	V Nonrefundable Education Credits				
17	Subtract line 16 from line 15			17	
18	Add line 4 and line 8c. If you have no entry on these lines, skip lines 19 through 24, and	d enter	the		
	amount from line 17 on line 25			18	
19	Enter: \$120,000 if married filing jointly; \$60,000 if single, head of	1			
	household, or qualifying widow(er)	19	ĺ		
20	Enter the amount from Form 1040, line 38,* or Form 1040A, line 22	20		1	
21	Subtract line 20 from line 19. If zero or less, skip lines 22 and 23, and enter			1 1	
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22	Enter: \$20,000 if married filing jointly; \$10,000 if single, head of household.			1	
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24	Multiply line 18 by line 23			24	
25	Add line 17 and line 24, if zero, stop; you cannot take any conrefundable education on			25	
26	Enter the amount from Form 1040, line 46, or Form 1040A, line 28			26	
27	Enter the total, if any, of your credits from:			1	
	Form 1040, lines 47, 48, and the amount from Schedule Rientered on line 53				
	• Form 1040A, lines 29 and 30 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			27	
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28	Subtract line 27 from line 26, if zero or less, stop; you cannot take any nonrefundable	educa	tion	-	
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29	Nonrefundable education credits, Enter the smaller of line 25 or line 28 here and on F	om 1	040,		
	line 49, or Form 1040A, line 31			29	0
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7	Credits (see page 8 of instru	ctions). If general business credit carry	yback is included, check here	1	7		
8	Subtract line 7 from line 6. If	the result is zero or less, enter -0-		• • • • • • • • •	8	14,394	
9	Other taxes (see page 8 of in	nstructions)			9		
10	Total tax. Add lines 8 and 9				10	14,394	
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11	Federal income tax withheld	and excess social security and tier 1 F	RRTA tax withheld (if changing,		T		
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14	Refundable credits from	Schedule M or Form(s) 2439	4136 5405 8801 8	3812			
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1099-R if tax was withheld.	11	Alimony received				11	7/ 17/
was withheid.	12	Business income or (loss). Attach Schedu	le C or C-EZ			12	
If you did not	13	Capital gain or (loss). Attach Schedule Dil	required. If not required	i, check	here 🕨	13	
get a W-2,	14	Other gains or (losses). Attach Form 4797	14				
see page 22.	15a	IRA distributions 15a			ile amount (see page 24)	15b	
	16a	Pensions and annuities • • 16a			le amount (see page 25)	16b	
Enclose, but do not attach, any		Rental real estate, royalties, partnerships,			ech Schedule E • • •	17	(13,088)
payment. Also,	18 19	Farm income or (loss), Attach Schedule F Unemployment compensation in excess of				18	
please use	20a	Social security benefits - 20a			le amount (see page 27)	20b	
Form 1040-V.	21	Other income 1099MISC	27.000	· caxes	me armount (see page 27)	21	27,000
	22	Add the amounts in the far right column fo	r lines 7 through 21. This	s is you	r total income)	22	169,500
A	23	Educator expenses (see page 29) · · · ·		23		1.00	
Adjusted Gross	24	Certain business expenses of reservists, performing a	tists, and				
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Micome	25	Health savings account deduction. Attach		25	***************************************		
	26	Moving expenses. Attach Form 3903		26	····		
	27 28	One-half of self-employment tax. Attach S		27		-	
	29	Self-employed SEP, SIMPLE, and qualifier Self-employed health insurance deduction		29		100	
	30	Penalty on early withdrawal of savings	(/	30			
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	32	IRA deduction (see page 31)		32			
	33	Student loan interest deduction (see page		33			
	34	Tuition and fees deduction. Attach Form 8		34	***************************************		
	35	Domestic production activities deduction.	Attach Form 8903 - 3	35]	
	36	Add lines 23 through 31a and 32 through	35			36	
	37	Subtract line 36 from line 22. This is your a				37	169,500
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	38	Amount from line 37 (adjusted gross income)	38	169,500
Tax and	39a	Check You were born before January 2, 1945, Blind. Total boxes	3.34	
Credits	_	if: Spouse was born before January 2, 1945, ☐ Blind. checked ▶39a		
Standard	ь	If your spoules itemizes on a separate return or you were a dual-status alien, see pg 35 and check here	IA.C	
Deduction for	40a	Itemized deductions (from Schedule A) or your standard deduction (see left margin)	40a	93,061
a People who	ь	If you are increasing your standard deduction by certain real estate taxes, new motor		
check any		vehicle taxes, or a net diseaser loss, satach Schedule i. and check here (see page 35)		
box on line 39a, 39b, or	41	Subtract line 40a from line 38 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	41	76,439
can be	42	Exemptions. If line 38 is \$125,100 or less and you did not provide housing to a Midwestern	1, 24	
claimed as a		displaced individual, multiply \$3,650 by the number on line 6d. Otherwise, see page 37 - • •	42	3,601
dependent, see page 35.	43	Taxable income. Subtract line 42 from line 41. If line 42 is more than line 41, enter -0-	43	72,838
All others:	44	Tax (see page 37). Check if any tax is from: a Form(s) 8814 b Form 4972	44	14,394
Single or Married filing	45	Alternative minimum tax (see page 40). Attach Form 5251	45	
Married filing separately,	48	Add lines 44 and 45	46	14,394
\$5,700	47	Foreign tax credit. Attach Form 1116 if required • • • • • • • 47	چند د	
Married filing	48	Cradit for child and dependent care expenses, Attach Form 2441 48		
jointly or Qualifying	49	Education credits from Form 8863, line 29 · · · · · · · · 49		
Qualifying widow(er).	50	Retirement savings contributions credit. Attach Form 8880 · · · 50		
widow(er), \$11,400	51	Child tax credit (see page 42) · · · · · · · · · · · · 51		
Head of	52	Credits from Form: a 8396 b 8839 c 5695 52		
household, \$8,350	53	Other credits from Form: a 3800 b 8801 c 53		
\$0,350	54	Add lines 47 through 53. These are your total credits	54	
	55	Subtract line 54 from line 46. If line 54 is more than line 46, enter -0-	55	14,394
	56	Self-employment tax. Attach Schedule SE	56	
Other	57	Unreported social security and Medicare tax from Form: a 4137 b 8919	57	
Taxes	58	Additional tax on IRAs, other qualified retirement plans, etc. Attach Form 5329 if required	58	
	59	Additional taxes: a AEIC payments b Household employment taxes. Attach Sch. H	59	
	60	Add lines 55 through 59. This is your total tax	60	14.394
Down and a	61	Federal income tax withheld from Forms W-2 and 1099 · · · · 61 32,340	342	*****
Payments	62	2009 estimated tax payments and amount applied from 2008 return 62		
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If you have a qualifying	64a	Earned income credit (EIC) 64a		
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Schedule EIC.	65	Additional child tax credit. Attach Form 5812		
Larran and the same of the sam	66	Refundable education credit from Form 8863, line 16 · · · · 66		
	67	First-time homebuyer credit. Attach Form 5405 67	100 A	
	68	Amount paid with request for extension to file (see page 72) · · 68		
	69	Excess social security and tier 1 RRTA tax withheld (see page 72) 69	223	
	70	Credits from Form: a 2439 b 4136 c 8801 d 8885 70		
	71	Add lines 61, 62, 63, 64a, and 65 through 70. These are your total payments	71	32,340
	72	If line 71 is more than tine 60, subtract line 60 from line 71. This is the amount you overpaid	72	17,946
Refund Direct deposit?	73a	Amount of line 72 you want refunded to you. If Form 8888 is attached, check here	73a	17.946
See page 73	▶ b	Routing number Savings	5.30	
and filt in 73b, 73c, and 73d.	▶ d	Account number		
or Form 8888.	74	Amount of line 72 you want applied to your 2010 estimated lax> 74		
Amount	75	Amount you owe. Subtract line 71 from line 60. For details on how to pay, see page 74 . >	75	
You Owe	76	Estimated tax penalty (see page 74) - · · · · · · · · 76	46.2.2.2	37 1880) 1880
Third Party	Do y	ou want to allow another person to discuss this return with the IRS (see page 75)? Yes. C	omplete the	following. X No
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APPENDIX B

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Re: Michael Collins/ Review No. 11-4518

Dear Mr. Schwager and Mr. Morris:

We write as legal counsel for Michael Collins in response to a May 19, 2001 letter from the Committee on Ethics ("Committee") which attached a Report authored by the Office of Congressional Ethics ("OCE"). The OCE Report made certain findings and recommended that the Committee investigate issues surrounding Mr. Collins" financial disclosure statements and federal income tax returns.

Although Mr. Collins does not dispute that he did not provide certain information on his forms, there are factual inaccuracies in the record that we believe are important for your consideration at this time.

The OCE report attaches a Memorandum of Interview ("OCE Memorandum") that is misleading. When Mr. Collins was asked to provide an interview, his first question to the OCE team was whether he should have a lawyer present. The OCE investigator immediately said "no" that a lawyer was not necessary. During the interview, however, the OCE investigators proceeded to ask Mr. Collins a series of leading questions that called for "yes" or "no" answers. As a result, the OCE Memorandum consists primarily of the investigators' language contained in those questions (we assume), and certainly very few actual statements made by Mr. Collins. Further, Mr. Collins did not understand the implications of the long, compound, and leading questions (to which any lawyer or neutral party would have objected). Nor did Mr. Collins understand that the investigators were leading him into agreeing with statements that were not in his own words. Finally, the OCE never provided an opportunity for Mr. Collins to review the OCE Memorandum.

It is not surprising then that the OCE Memorandum and the OCE Report contain inaccuracies and fail to convey the reality about the Campaign's practices and the reasons for Mr. Collins' omissions.

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We note some specific inaccuracies in the OCE Report and Memorandum:

- Mr. Collins received from the Campaign a 1099-MISC Tax Form for the year 2009, implying that the form was sent to Mr. Collins in time for him to prepare his 2009 taxes and that a similar form was sent to him each year. See OCE Report, ¶ 37. The truth is that the Campaign never issued a 1099-MISC Tax Form (or other form) to Mr. Collins until the OCE investigation had commenced in 2011.
- Mr. Collins "prepares staff payroll documents and submits them to the House payroll office." OCE Memorandum, ¶ 5. The reality is that Mr. Collins submits documents to inform the House payroll office when there is a new employee or a change in employment. He does not "prepare staff payroll documents." It is the House payroll office that prepares the House payroll documents for House employees.
- Mr. Collins is responsible for all ethics requirements. See OCE Memo, ¶ 6. Of course, Mr. Collins, like all Chiefs of Staff, is responsible for ensuring that staff receive ethics training, but he is not responsible for providing that training, for its substance, or for its enforcement.
- Mr. Collins was a staff member of the Campaign, like the staff for which he wrote payroll checks. See OCE Report, ¶ 8. In fact, the individuals considered "campaign staff" are those hired on a full-time basis to run a re-election campaign, such as a campaign manager, fundraisers, and organizers. (The Campaign had no permanent staff.) Mr. Collins did not consider himself campaign staff as that term was used by the investigators. Mr. Collins, as a Chief of Staff, is a recognized agent of the Campaign, and in that capacity, Mr. Collins was not paid an hour-based "salary" like "campaign staff," but rather a discretional consultation fee.
- Mr. Collins "approved the payment of his own salary" from the Campaign. See OCE Report, ¶ 67. The truth is that Mr. Collins <u>never once</u> approved his own consultation fee.
- Mr. Collins reviewed the Campaign's Federal Election Commission ("FEC") report, see OCE Memorandum, ¶ 13, implying he was reviewing the report for FEC compliance. Mr. Collins, however, reviewed the draft reports for factual inaccuracies, such as descriptions of vendors.
- Mr. Collins stated that he "did not know that he was near the limit or that a possible infraction occurred until the OCE contact him." OCE Memorandum, ¶ 13. Mr. Collins' actual words were that it "did not register" with him that his campaign fees qualified as "outside income" for purposes of this limit.

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Mr. Collins had little motive to hide the amounts he received from the Campaign, and there is no evidence that Mr. Collins intended to commit any purposeful violation. Not only were the amounts he received for his work with the Campaign quite small in comparison to his annual salary (with the 2009 figure being by far the largest amount), they were also included on the FEC filings, which Mr. Collins reviewed for factual errors. Had Mr. Collins' violations been willfull, he could have altered the FEC filings to ensure consistency in reporting. But that is not the case.

The OCE report also does not include other relevant information. For example, Mr. Collins has always filed his financial disclosure forms and tax returns (and paying taxes) every year. It is his practice to save every tax document sent to him and submit them to his accountant, who then prepares his tax returns. As noted, Mr. Collins never received a tax form for the amounts received from the Campaign, although the OCE knew, but decided to omit, this fact from its Report. Indeed, the only reason there was a 1099-MISC for 2009 is because Mr. Collins specifically requested that the appropriate tax document be issued to him after he was on notice from OCE that taxes were required. This conforms with his practice of being document triggered. Documents he receives and sends on to his accountant are his means to determine income, expenses, and deductions. Had Mr. Collins received a 1099-MISC each year, he would have been on notice that he needed to disclose those amounts and would have submitted the 1099-MISC to his accountant.

We would like the opportunity to demonstrate these and other facts. We believe that when Mr. Collins' conduct is seen in its proper perspective, along with his entire record of proper and dedicated service, his lack of intentional wrongdoing will be clear. We hope you would agree that he is a perfect candidate for a reasonably negotiated resolution of these important issues.

We look forward to meeting and finding an appropriate resolution to this matter.

Sincerely,
Pamela Marple

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