U.S. House of Representatives **Committee on Ethics**

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from a private source for travel taken in connection with a Member or officer's official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately form. Member or officer's official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the Member or officer's annual Financial Disclosure Statement. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, 135 Cannon House Office Building, within 15 days after travel is completed. Please do not file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

> NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1.	Name of Traveler: Allen Lucas Messer		
2.	a. Name of accompanying relative:		
3.	a. Dates of departure and return: Departure: 09/17/2018 Return: 09/17/2018		
	b. Dates at personal expense: None		
4.	Departure city: Washington, DC Destination: Nashville, TN Return city: Washington, DC		
5.	Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): Vanderbilt Law School - Program in Law and Government		
6.	Describe meetings and events attended (attach additional pages if necessary): Spoke at "A View		
	from the House" forum w/ VU law students, followed by boxed lunch w/ students.		
 8. 	 corresponding box): a. a completed Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form; b. the Primary Trip Sponsor Form completed by the trip sponsor prior to the trip, including al attachments and Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms; c. page 2 of the completed Traveler Form submitted by the Member or officer; and d. the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip. 		
kno For U.S pri	ertify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my owledge. I have determined that all of the expenses on the attached Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure of were necessary and that the travel was in connection with my duties as a Member or officer of the S. House of Representatives and would not create the appearance that I am using public office for wate gain. GNATURE OF MEMBER: DATE: 09/25/2018		
	DATE: 09/25/2018		

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SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip within 10 days of their return. You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee's travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1.	Sponsor(s) (who	paid for the trip)	Vanderbilt La	aw School La	w and Government Program
2.	Travel Destinati	ion(s): Nashville	e, TN- Vanderb	ilt University	
3.	Date of Departu	nre: 9/17/18		Date of	Return: 9/17/18
4.	Congregomen Luke Masser				
5.					
		Total Transportation Expenses	Total <i>Lodging</i> Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
	Traveler	560.55	0.00	0.00	N/A
	Accompanying Relative				
6.	6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a <i>per diem</i> or lump sum payment. (<i>Signify statement is true by checking box</i>):				
,	I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.			ete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.	
	Signature:		1 ten		A1
	ranic.	na Stewart	School		Title: Administrative Faculty Assistant
	Organization: Vanderbilt Law School I am an officer of the above-named organization (signify statement is true by checking box):				
	101			n (signify stater	nent is true by checking box):
	Address: 131 21st Avenue South				
	Nashville, TN 37203				
		ber: 615-343-12		- 1	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	Email Address:		art@vanderbilt		
	Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required. If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at (202) 225-7103.				

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TRAVELER FORM

1.	Name of Traveler: Allen Lucas Messer
2.	Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): Vanderbilt Law School - Program in Law and Government
3.	Travel destination(s): Nashville, TN
4.	a. Date of departure 09/17/2018 Date of return; 09/17/2018
	b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, dates at personal expense:
5.	a. Will you be accompanied by a relative at the sponsor's expense? Yes No AB No No AB No N
	(2) Relationship to traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify):
	(3) Accompanying relative is at least 18 years of age: ☐ Yes ☐ No
6.	 a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(d) on the Primary Trip Sponsor Form (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent and you are requesting lodging for two nights)? Yes No b. If yes, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:
7.	Primary Trip Sponsor Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and contributing sponsor forms: Yes No NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8.	Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's <u>individual</u> official or representational duties. Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties. Vanderbilt Law School's Program in Law & Government invited Rep. Messer to speak to students to learn about the legislative process, statutory interpretation, constitutional law and other public law topics.
9.	Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, and/or arranging the trip? \square Yes \blacksquare No
10.	FOR STAFF TRAVELERS: TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR EMPLOYING MEMBER:
	ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL
	I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.
	Date: 09/12/2018 July Uses _
	Signature of Employing Member

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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a Traveler Form <u>at least 30 days before the start date of the trip</u>. The trip sponsor should NOT submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee Web site (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.

1.	Sponsor (who will be paying for the trip): Vanderbilt Law School - Program in Law and Government
2.	I represent that the trip will not be financed (in whole or in part) by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent (signify that the statement is true by checking box):
3.	 Check only one: I represent that: a. the primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip of the trip of the trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds of the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities. If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors:
4.	Provide names and titles of ALL House Members and employees you are inviting. For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary):
	Congressman Luke Messer (IN06). Congressman Messer is a member of Congress who can speak to the legislative process as well as a graduate of Vanderbilt Law School.
5.	Is travel being offered to an accompanying relative of the House invitee(s)? Yes No
6.	Date of departure: September 17, 2018 Date of return: September 17, 2018
7.	a. City of departure: DCA (Washington, DC)
	b. Destination(s): BNA (Nashville)
	c. City of return: DCA (Washington, DC)
8.	I represent that (check one of the following):
	a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: a <u>or</u>
	 b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent: or c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event and lobbyist/foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was de minimis under the Committee's travel regulations.
9.	Check one of the following:
	a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above:
	b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging:
	c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; \square or
	d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights: If "d" is checked, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:

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10.	Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities the House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees) (indicate agenda is attached by checking box):					
11.	 Check one: a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip (signify that the statement is true by checking box): □ or b. N/A – trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education. 					
12.	For <u>each</u> sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip <u>and</u> its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip: Vanderbilt Law School is a U.S. institution of higher education, whose students study the legislative process, statutory interpretation, constitutional law, and other public law topics. The Law and Government Program at the law school sponsors speaking events for students to learn about these topics. Because members of Congress have an important role to play in these issues, the Law and Government Program is inviting Rep. Messer to speak and is organizing the trip.					
13.	Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary.					
	a. Mode of travel: Air Rail Bus Car Other (Specify:)					
	b. Class of travel: Coach Business G First G Charter G Other G (Specify:)					
	c. If travel will be first class or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:					
	I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). (signify that the statement is true by checking box):					
15.	I represent that either (check one of the following): a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized without regard to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees: or					
	b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically with regard to congressional participation: If "b" is checked:					
	Detail the cost per day of meals (approximate cost may be provided): Approx cost per day: \$10.00					
	2) Provide reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: Vanderbilt Law School teaches students about law, including the legislative					
	process. The event and location was chosen to allow students to attend					
	during the school day while remaining on campus.					
16.	Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:					
	Hotel name: City: Cost per night:					
	Reason(s) for selecting:					
	Hotel name: City: Cost per night:					
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	Hotel name: City: Cost per night:					
	Reason(s) for selecting:					

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17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. (signify that the statement is true by checking box):

18. TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:

actual amounts good faith estimates	Total <i>Transportation</i> Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total <i>Meal</i> Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or employee	476.98	0.00	10.00
For each accompanying relative			

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or employee		
For each accompanying relative		

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19.	Check one: a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below. \square <u>or</u> b. N/A – sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.
20.	I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip.
21.	I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. Signature:
	Name: Dean Chris Guthrie
	Title: Dean & John Wade-Kent Syverud Professor
	Organization: Vanderbilt Law School
	Address: 131 21st Avenue South
	Telephone number: 615-322-2615

If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee at the following address:

chris.guthrie@vanderbilt.edu

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The Honorable Allen Lucas Messer U.S. House of Representatives 1230 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Colleague:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Nashville, Tennessee, scheduled for September 17, 2018, sponsored by Vanderbilt University.

Committee travel regulations require that you submit your complete pre-trip approval request to the Committee at least 30 days before the commencement of the trip or it will not be granted. Despite your failure to do so in this instance, we are approving your current request. However, any future requests should adhere to the 30-day requirement.

You must complete a Member/Officer Post-Travel Disclosure Form and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. You must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$390 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

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If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

Susan W. Brooks
Chairwoman

Theodore E. Deutch Ranking Member

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Itinerary for Congressman Luke Messer (R-IN) Vanderbilt University Law School - Nashville, Tennessee Monday, September 17th, 2018

September 17, 2018

8:40 am

Depart DCA, Flight #4722

9:41 am

Arrive in Nashville

Ground Transportation

Please take a taxi to the Law School.

Vanderbilt Law School 131 21st Avenue South Nashville, TN 37203

Vanderbilt Guest Office #290 available for use

Call Quenna upon arrival (615-343-1287) and she will escort you to your office

11:50 am

Photographs with Communications Coordinator

Outside of Moore Room

12:10 pm

"A View from the House"

Moore room

1:00 pm

Boxed Lunch with Federalist Society Students

Bass Berry Sims Room

6:00 pm

Dinner on own

8:40 pm

Depart BNA on Southwest Flight #3766

For the speaking segment, can you add possible discussion topics on the agenda? Bullet points of possible discussion topics will be sufficient.

- How did you decide to run for office?
- How has being trained as a lawyer informed your service in the House of Representatives?
- What is the experience of writing laws? What was surprising about the legislative process?
- How is Washington working right now? How does the House work? What are the biggest challenges to getting things done? How can those be overcome?
- What advice do you have to young lawyers who are interested in serving in government?

Contact Information:

- Quenna Stewart (Law & Government Program Assistant) (615) 322-6761; quenna.stewart@vanderbilt.edu
- Ganesh Sitaraman (615) 343-6620 (work) 617-571-0212 (ceil); ganesh.sitaraman@yanderbilt.edu
- Vanderbilt Law School (615) 322-2615

Following Your Trip:

Please mail all original and itemized travel-related receipts and provided forms to:

Quenna Stewart 131 21st Avenue South Nashville, TN 37203