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COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

Member / Officer Post-Travel Disclosure Form  Original  Amendment

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-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, B-81 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: Maxine Waters
- 2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: Sidney Williams OR None
- b. Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. a. Dates: Departure: June 30, 2019 Return: July 1, 2019
- b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: \_\_\_\_\_ OR None
- 4. Departure City: St. Louis, MO Destination: Bellevue, WA Return City: Los Angeles, CA
- 5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: The Connectional Lay Organization of the African American Episcopal Church
- 6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended (attach additional pages if necessary):  
Delivered keynote address for Opening Day Business Session of their 36th Biennial Session.

- 7. Attached to this form are each of the following, signify that each item is attached by checking the 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 all attachments and the *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.
- 8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda.  
Signify statement is true by checking the box:
- b. If not, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have determined that all of the expenses on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with my duties as a Member or officer of the U.S. House of Representatives and would not create the appearance that I am using public office for private gain.

Member / Officer Signature: *Maxine Waters*

Date: October 17, 2019



## Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form

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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 ten 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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- Sponsor(s) who paid for the trip: THE CONVENTIONAL LAY ORGANIZATION OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
- Travel Destination(s): BELLEVUE, WA (SEATTLE AIRPORT)
- Date of Departure: JUNE 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Date of Return: JULY 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019
- Name(s) of Traveler(s): MAXINE WATERS

*Note:* You may list more than one traveler on a form only if *all* information is *identical* for each person listed.

- Actual amount of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler <u>MAXINE WATERS</u>	<u>\$765.00</u>	<u>\$165.00</u>	<u>\$35.00</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Accompanying Family Member <u>BID WILLIAMS</u>	<u>\$765.00</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>\$35.00</u>	<u>N/A</u>

- All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. Signify statement is true by checking box:

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: [Signature] Date: 9/20/19

Name: SIMEON RHODEN Title: HOST PRESIDENT

Organization: LAY ORGANIZATION - AME CHURCH

**I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box:**

Address: 1401 37<sup>th</sup> ST SE

Telephone: (206)380-1791 Email: SIMEON@AMSN.COM

**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: Rep. Maxine Waters
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying for the trip: The Connectional Lay Organization of the AME Church
3. Travel Destination(s): Seattle, WA
4. a. Date of Departure: June 30, 2019 Date of Return: July 1, 2019  
 b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?  Yes  No  
 If yes, list dates at personal expense: \_\_\_\_\_
5. a. Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense?  Yes  No **If yes:**  
 (1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: Sidney Williams  
 (2) Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_  
 (3) Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age:  Yes  No
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?  Yes  No  
 b. **If yes**, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night 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 individual official or representational duties. **Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.**  
Rep. Waters is being asked to deliver a keynote address with a focus on social justice in her experience as an African American female Member of Congress.

9. **Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**  Yes  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.

Signature of Employing Member \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_





## 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* at least 30 days before the start date of the trip. The trip sponsor should NOT submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee website (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: The Connectional Lay Organization of the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church
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:  OR
  - b. 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:  OR
  - c. 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): ALSO REP. MAXINE WATERS; TO HEAR THE REPRESENTATIVES VIEWS ON ADVANCING SOCIAL JUSTICE AND PROMOTING ECONOMIC INCLUSION
5. Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?  Yes  No NA
6. Date of Departure: Sunday June 30, 2019 Date of Return: Monday July 1st, 2019
7. a. City of departure: Los Angeles St. Louis  
 b. Destination(s): Seattle Washington BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON  
 c. City of return: Los Angeles
8. Check only one. I represent that:
  - 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:  OR
  - 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 only 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:  OR
  - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights:  If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted: \_\_\_\_\_





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10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities 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 only one of the following:
- 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. Not Applicable. Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education:

12. For each sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip and its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

*The Connectional Lay Organization is the only host. Our interest in Congressman Waters is here her voice on advancing the cause of social justice and economic inclusion for all people*

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  First  Charter  Other  (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)
  - c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

14. 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. Check only one. I represent that either:
- 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:
- 1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided): \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: \_\_\_\_\_

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:
- |   |                       |   |
|---|-----------------------|---|
| Hotel Name: <u>Hypati Regency Bellevue</u>                    | City: <u>Bellevue</u> | Cost Per Night: <u>165<sup>00</sup></u> |
| Reason(s) for Selecting: <u>Location contracted for Event</u> |                       |   |
| Hotel Name: _____   | City: _____           | Cost Per Night: _____                   |
| Reason(s) for Selecting: _____                                |                       |   |
| Hotel Name: _____   | City: _____           | Cost Per Night: _____                   |
| Reason(s) for Selecting: _____                                |                       |   |

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:





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### 18. Total Expenses for each Participant:

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$ 8765.06 <del>400.00 RT</del>	165.00	20.00 Dinner 15.00 Lunch
For each Accompanying Family Member	\$ 268.06	—	20.00 Dinner 15.00 Lunch
	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 Family Member			

35.00  
TOTAL  
DINNER  
LUNCH  
RT  
RT

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### 19. Check only one:

a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below:  OR

b. Not Applicable. Trip 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: Valerie Gary Bell Date: May 7, 2019

Name: Valerie Gary Bell

Title: President

Organization: Connectional Way Organization

Address: 1134 11<sup>th</sup> Street N.W Washington D.C 20001

Telephone: 703-608-2075

Email: Clopresident535@gmail.com

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

**Committee on Ethics**

U.S. House of Representatives

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June 26, 2019

The Honorable Maxine Waters  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2221 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Colleague:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your and your spouse's proposed trip to Bellevue, Washington, scheduled for June 30 to July 1, 2019, sponsored by Connectional Lay Organization of the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church.

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.

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

Sincerely,

Theodore E. Deutch  
Chairman

Kenny Marchant  
Ranking Member

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**Congresswoman Maxine Waters (CMW)**

**Official Event Name:** African Methodist Episcopal Church - 36<sup>th</sup> Biennial Session of the Connectional Lay Organization

**Is this event a classified as a fundraiser?** No

**Host Organization:** Connectional Lay Organization of the African Methodist Episcopal Church

**Is this event privately sponsored?** Yes: African Methodist Episcopal Church  
Connectional Lay Organization

**Event Location:** Hyatt Regency Hotel  
900 Bellevue Way NE  
Bellevue WA 98004

**Event Date and Time:** Monday, July 1, 2019 11:00 a.m.

**Congressional District Representative:** Congresswoman Maxine Waters – Invited Key Note

**Event Attire:** Business Casual

**Security Detail:** Rankin Security Services (Bobby Rankin)

**Remarks Topic:** Congresswoman Waters-Keynote Plenary Speaker

**Our church theme is** “The African Methodist Episcopal Church a Social Justice and Liberating Faith”

**Our Organization theme** “Laity walking humbly with God to do justice and love mercy”

**Congresswoman Waters will set the tone of Social Justice and Activism for our Biennial meeting**

**What time will CMW deliver her remarks?** 11 a.m.

**How much time will be allotted for CMW’s remarks?** 30-40 minutes

**Who will introduce CMW?** TBD- Social Action Leadership for our organization

**Speaking Logistics:** On main stage/grand ball room/ with central podium

**Program/Agenda** See Clip Attached

**Event Honoree:** N/A

**VIP’s Attending/Invited:** N/A

**Seating Arrangements:** On main stage/grand ball room

**Number of Attendees** 1100 – 1500

**Audience Demographics:** Ages 25 - 75

**Media in Audience/Invited:** No

**Contact for logistical questions/on-site:** Simeon Rhoden/

**Organization Mission:** Teach, train and empower us’ members for lay ministry, global leadership and service following the tenets of Jesus Christ.

**Organization Leadership & Board members:** Attach directory

**Organizational program/initiatives:** Disaster Relief/AME Colleges & Universities/Historical Preservation of the AME Church History

**Are any elected officials associated with your organization:**

1. James Clyburn-South Carolina
2. Alcee Hastings-Florida
3. Gregory Meeks-New York
4. Terri Sewell-Alabama
5. Val Demmings-Florida
6. Bruce Harrel – Seattle City Council President
7. Victoria Woodward – Tacoma, WA Mayor

**Invited elected officials:**

1. Bruce Harrel – Seattle City Council
2. Victoria Woodward – Tacoma, WA Mayor
3. Carmen Best – Seattle Police Chief
4. Dow Constantine – King County Executive



**Connection Lay Organization – African Methodist Episcopal Church  
36<sup>th</sup> Biennial Session – Bellevue, WA June 30<sup>th</sup> – July 4<sup>th</sup>**

Itinerary	For Name
Trip Description	Seattle/Bellevue, WA:
Trip Goals	Key Note Speaker – Opening Day Business Session (July 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2019)
Trip Length	June 30 <sup>th</sup> – July 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2019
Point of Contact	Mr. Simeon P. Rhoden, 5 <sup>th</sup> District Lay President:
Hotel	Bellevue Hyatt Regency Hotel 900 Bellevue Way NE, Bellevue, WA 98004
Ground Transportation	VIP Transportation Provided by 5 <sup>th</sup> District Lay Organization
5 <sup>th</sup> District Lay Transportation Contact	Ms. Toyia Taylor:

June 30th	Time	Location/Org.	Contact/Audience	Contact Phone
Depart	4:15PM	STL/Alaska Airlines	Water's Staff	Water's Staff
Arrival	7:14PM	SEATAC/American	Toyia Taylor	( ) 26
Arrive at Hotel	8:15PM	Bellevue Hyatt Regency Hotel	Simeon Rhoden	4
		Connectional Lay	Bobby Rankin, Security	( ) 4
Check in	8:15PM	Bellevue Hyatt Regency Hotel	Simeon Rhoden & Toyia Taylor	& 3-

**Notes/Additional Items**

June 30<sup>th</sup> is the Opening Worship and Communion Service beginning at 7PM in the Grand Ball Room. The Service will be approximately 2 hours. If Mr and Mrs. Waters would like to join us, please let Simeon Rhoden know and we will arrange for them to attend. Otherwise, we do not have any additional plans for the June 30<sup>th</sup>



July 1st	Time	Location/Org.	Contact/Audience	Contact Phone
<b>Security Escort</b>	11AM	Hyatt Regency Hotel Grand Ballroom	Bobby Rankin & Simeon Rhoden	
<b>Arrive to Ballroom</b>	11:10AM	Hyatt Regency Hotel Grand Ballroom	Bobby Rankin & Simeon Rhoden	
<b>Keynote Address</b>	11:30AM – 12:15PM	Hyatt Regency Hotel Grand Ballroom	Connectional Lay Organization of the African Methodist Episcopal Church	N/A
<b>Lunch</b>	12:15PM – 1:45PM	Connectional Lay Exec/5 <sup>th</sup> District Lay Exec	Bobby Rankin & Simeon Rhoden	
<b>Check out</b>	2PM	Bellevue Hyatt Regency Hotel	Simeon Rhoden & Toyia Taylor	
<b>Depart Hotel</b>	2:00PM	To SEATAC	Toyia Taylor	
<b>Arrive at SeaTac Airport</b>	2:45PM	SEATAC	Toyia Taylor	
<b>Depart</b>	4:01PM	Seatac/American- 6049		
<b>Arrival</b>	7:00PM	LAX/American-6049	Water's Staff	Water's Staff

## Notes/Additional Items

After the Keynote Message, the Connectional Lay Organization will provide lunch for Mr. and Mrs. Waters. This will be a closed/private lunch without any formal expectations from the Congresswoman. The Lay Organization will be responsible for the lunch and would like to spend time with her before she departs the Biennial Session.

### **Audience:**

Executive Board of the Lay Organization (Elected Officers & 20 District Presidents)

Executive Board of the 5<sup>th</sup> District Lay Organization (Elected Officers & 6 Conference Presidents)

20 Bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal Church

Rev. Edgar Boyd