



U.S. House of Representatives

# COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

## Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form

☐ Original ☒ Amendment

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual *Financial Disclosure Statements* of those employees required to file them. 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: Sophie Trainor
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: \_\_\_\_\_ **OR** None ☒  
b. Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
3. a. Dates: Departure: Nov. 5, 2019 Return: Nov. 8, 2019  
b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: \_\_\_\_\_ **OR** None ☒
4. Departure City: Washington, DC Destination: San Francisco, CA Return City: Portland, OR
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Center Forward
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended: Toured and discussed pharmaceutical innovation and lowering drug prices. Discussed innovative technologies and how federal policies will impact development.
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 employee; **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: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Signature of Traveler: *Sophie Trainor* Date: 12/10/19

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: Brett Guthrie Date: 12/10/19

Signature of Supervising Member: *Brett Guthrie*

**Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form: Supplemental**

4.

First	Last	Title	Affiliation	Reason
Elizabeth	Allen	Senior Health Policy Adviser	Office of Rep. Mike Burgess	As the Senior Health Policy Adviser for Mr. Burgess, the Ranking Member of the Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Health, Ms. Allen can provide valuable advice and guidance on health care issues.
Jimmy	Ballard	Legislative Director	Office of Rep. Rodney Davis	As the Legislative Director for Rep. Rodney Davis who serves on the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Mr. Ballard can offer insights about the legislative priorities of the committee.
Kevin	Dawson	Legislative Assistant	Office of Rep. Mike Kelly	As Legislative Assistant for Rep. Mike Kelly, who serves on the Ways and Means Committee, Mr. Dawson will be able to share his experience advising a Member that passes laws on critical taxation and health issues.
Liana	Guerra	Deputy Chief of Staff	Office of Rep. Darren Soto	Ms. Guerra serves as the Deputy Chief of Staff for a Member serving on the Energy and Commerce Committee, and specifically the Subcommittees on Consumer Protection and Communication and Technology. She will provide valuable insight on these issues.
Ben	Jackson	Legislative Director	Office of Rep. Lizzie Fletcher	Mr. Jackson serves as the Legislative Director for a Democratic member of the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. He will offer insights about transportation issues and current legislation.

Travis	Krogman	Legislative Director	Office of Rep. Ann McLane Kuster	<p>As the Legislative Director for a member that serves on the Energy and Commerce Committee, Mr. Krogman will share his perspective on health care and consumer protection in America.</p> <p>As Legislative Director for a Senior Republican member of the Energy and Commerce Committee, Mr. Looser can provide advice and guidance about working with Democrats on issues that relate to health care, technology, and the environment.</p>
Brian	Looser	Legislative Director	Office of Rep. John Shimkus	<p>As Legislative Director to a freshman Member that serves on the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Ms. McClure will be able to speak to transportation priorities from the perspective of an office focused on finding common ground and pragmatic solutions.</p>
Janelle	McClure	Legislative Director	Office of Rep. Colin Allred	<p>As the Senior Policy Adviser for a moderate Democratic Member, Ms. Nickel will share valuable insights about bipartisan legislative efforts in the Energy and Commerce Committee that specifically focus on health care and technology innovation.</p>
Kelly	Nickel	Senior Policy Adviser	Office of Rep. Kurt Schrader	<p>As a Senior Policy Adviser to a Member on the House Committee on Ways and Means, as well the co-chair of the Blue Dog Coalition, Ms. Nguyen can relay her experience working across the aisle on critical health and taxation issues.</p>
Dao	Nguyen	Senior Policy Adviser	Office of Rep. Stephanie Murphy	

Zachary	Ostro	Legislative Director	Office of Rep. Robin Kelly	Mr. Ostro serves as the Legislative Director for a Member on the House Committee on Energy and Commerce and will add to the discussion on healthcare policy and reform.
Ted	Steinberg	Legislative Assistant	Office of Rep. Brendan Boyle	As Legislative Assistant for a Ways and Means Committee Member, Mr. Steinberg will be able to share his experience advising a Member that passes laws on critical health and taxation issues.
Sophie	Trainor	Deputy Chief of Staff and Legislative Director	Rep. Brett Guthrie	As the Deputy Chief of Staff and Legislative Director for an active member of the Energy and Commerce Committee, Ms. Trainor will be able to speak to the challenges of reaching bipartisan consensus on legislation in healthcare, technology, and innovation.

12. Sponsor's interest in the subject matter and role in organizing the trip:

Center Forward's American Innovation Conference is convening a bipartisan group of policy staffers and leading voices of American innovation from public and private sector industries and organizations to focus on common-sense solutions. Center Forward's organizational mission is to provide individuals the information they need to craft sensible solutions and provide support in turning those ideas into results. Center Forward brings together Members of Congress, not-for profits, academic experts, trade associations, corporations, and unions to find common ground.

Center Forward is the sole organizer of the trip. Center Forward is planning the event and is responsible for the organization and execution of the event logistics as well as the programming content. Discussion topics will include innovation related to healthcare, technology, education and workforce development, transportation, manufacturing, conservation, and the unique strategies employed by local and municipal governments to provide for citizens and develop creative solutions to everyday challenges. With so many pieces of legislation in Congress focused on spurring innovation, this will be an opportunity for staff to gain a broad understanding of what that entails across multiple areas on which Congress legislates. Participants are expected to include congressional staff with programming speakers including business leaders, government officials, and academic researchers.

15.b.2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip:

San Francisco and the Bay Area were selected for this trip to provide participants an opportunity to engage with leading innovation experts who are at the forefront of cutting-edge solutions to America's greatest challenges. As the United States leads the world in innovation and entrepreneurship, northern California continues to be the central hub of some of the world's largest healthcare, tech, and transportation companies. This small, bipartisan staff delegation will focus on finding ways to spur and not stifle innovation and economic growth while considering new policy proposals in Washington, D.C. The programming will expose congressional staff to the innovation taking place in congressional districts all across America all while attaining a greater understanding of the ways in which the public and private sectors can partner to combat deadly diseases and bridge humanity. This visit will develop dynamic programming to continue building on efforts already underway in the halls of Congress to keep America at the forefront of innovation and ingenuity.