



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: Michael Pauls
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: _____ OR None
 b. Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates: Departure: 1/7/2020 Return: 1/9/2020
 b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ OR None
4. Departure City: Washington, DC Destination: Las Vegas, NV Return City: Washington, DC
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Consumer Technology Association
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended: LIT Show Floor Tour, Global Race in AI panel, Privacy Panel, Section 230 Panel, LIT Reception and Dinner
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: _____

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

Signature of Traveler: Date: 1/22/19

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: Donald Norcross Date: 1/22/19

Signature of Supervising Member:



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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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1. Sponsor(s) who paid for the trip: Consumer Technology Association

2. Travel Destination(s): Las Vegas, NV

3. Date of Departure: 1/7/2020 Date of Return: 1/9/2020

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Michael Pauls

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

5. **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	\$646.83	\$984.14 Includes 13.35% tax and \$35 per night resort fee	\$290	\$100 registration fee
Accompanying Family Member				

6. 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: Laura Hudson

Date: 1/17/20

Name: Laura Janae Hudson

Title: Sr Mgr, CES Projects

Organization: Consumer Technology Association

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

Address: 1919 S. Eads Street, Arlington, VA 22202

Telephone: 703-907-7604 Email: lhudson@CTA.tech

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

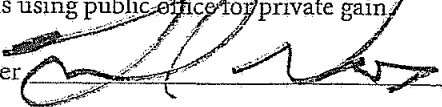

- 1. Name of Traveler: Michael Pauls
- 2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying for the trip: Consumer Technology Association (CTA)
- 3. City and State OR Foreign Country of Travel: Las Vegas, NV
- 4. a. Date of Departure: 1/7/2020 Date of Return: 1/9/2020
 b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal 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: _____
 (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:
Time and Travel Distance to Las Vegas

- 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.
I am a Legislative Correspondent with the tech and telecom portfolios in my office. The conference will focus on a variety of different technical fields such as: telecom, AI, and data privacy. I am attending the sessions that will focus on data privacy and the governments regulatory role in tech.

- 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 12/3/2019 



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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* 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: Consumer Technology Association (CTA)
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): Individuals were invited
based upon their participation in committees such as CS&T, Judiciary, Transportation, or their position in an office like CS&T.
5. Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)? Yes No
6. Date of Departure: 1/7/2020 Date of Return: 1/9/2019
7. a. City of departure: Washington DC Metro Area or Home District
b. Destination(s): Las Vegas, NV
c. City of return: Washington DC Metro Area or Home District
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: Time and Travel Distance to Las Vegas



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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:

CTA is the sole sponsor of this trip and its interest is the CTA's annual trade show and conference, the CES 2020.

CTA issues the invitations, organizes the conference, and books the travel.

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: Encore at Wynn Las Vegas City: Las Vegas Cost Per Night: \$399+13.38%ta

Reason(s) for Selecting: Location of annual trade show and conference and ability to accommodate space needs.

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	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates			
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$650	\$399 x 2 (\$798) + 13.38%	\$210 + taxes + fees
For each Accompanying Family Member			

	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	\$250	registration fee \$100; round trip Las Vegas airport transportation \$150
For each Accompanying Family Member		

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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: Laura Janae Hudson Date: 9/5/19

Name: Laura Janae Hudson, EMP

Title: Senior Manager, CES Projects

Organization: Consumer Technology Association

Address: 1919 S. Eads Street, Arlington, VA 22202

Telephone: 703-907-7604

Email: lhudson@cta.tech

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

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December 20, 2019

Mr. Michael Pauls
Office of the Honorable Donald Norcross
2437 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Pauls:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Las Vegas, Nevada, scheduled for January 7 to 9, 2020, sponsored by Consumer Technology Association.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) 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. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, 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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Pauls, Michael

From: CES Leaders in Technology Program <LITprogram@CTA.tech>
Sent: Wednesday, November 20, 2019 3:51 PM
To: Pauls, Michael
Subject: CES 2020 Invitation: Final Deadline

To view this email as a web page, go [here](#).



Las Vegas, NV
Jan. 7 - Jan. 10, 2020

Dear Michael,

You are invited to be the special guest of the Consumer Technology Association (CTA)[®] at our nation's largest annual tradeshow — **CES[®] 2020**, to be held **Jan. 7-10, 2020** in Las Vegas, NV.

As the world's most influential tech event, CES has served as the proving ground for innovators and breakthrough technologies for over 50 years — the global stage where next-generation innovations are introduced to the marketplace.

As a technology policy leader, you are invited to participate in our **Leaders in Technology (LIT)** program at CES. Experience firsthand the innovative tech in artificial intelligence, 5G, self-driving and more, and hear from industry visionaries about the impact of tech policy on the cutting-edge tech that's fueling our nation's economy and job growth.

The program is also designed to meet the requirements of the ethics committee of the U.S. House of Representatives for privately-sponsored travel. Pursuant to the rules, we are permitted to pay for no more than two nights and one day, subject to

approval. You may pick the day of your attendance based on the programming that best fits your area of interest. The program, including guest rooms and the Leaders in Technology registration suite, is headquartered at the Encore at Wynn Hotel.

CTA is offering to provide your roundtrip coach airfare, lodging, transportation in Las Vegas from and to the airport, as well as the show sites and group meals during your stay in Las Vegas. Attached please find the required [Private Sponsor Certification Form and list of House member invitees](#) for your review. This form will need to accompany your request to the U.S. House Selection Committee on Ethics for approval of privately-sponsored travel. CTA is not a lobbying firm, but does employ federal lobbyists.

Deadline Extended: Register today at [CES.tech](#) by creating an account using this email address — michael.pauls@mail.house.gov. *This is a limited, non-transferable invitation and we ask that you **reply by Nov. 27**.* For questions, please contact LITprogram@CTA.tech or 703-907-7795.

If you have questions about the LIT program we invite you to join a conference call on Monday, November 25 at 11:30 AM EST. Find out more about the program schedule, next steps and answers to all of your questions. Please dial in at 866-814-9555, conference code: 8210982214 on Monday, November 25 at 11:30 AM EST.

We hope that you will be able to join us for the Leaders in Technology program at CES 2020—the global stage for innovation.



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Leaders In Technology Program CES 2020 Schedule

Tuesday, January 7

Flight Options

4:55 PM – 9:50 PM Southwest Airlines #789/473, DCA to BNA to LAS

4:50 PM – 9:33 PM Delta Airlines #832/2257, DCA to SLC to LAS

Wednesday, January 8

7 – 9 AM Attendee Breakfast
Encore, Registration Suite

9 – 10:30 AM LIT Show Floor Tour and Demonstrations – Tech East & West Tour
Departs from Encore Registration Suite
The LIT Tour Program provides curated show floor experiences tailored to LIT participants. The goal of the show floor tour for LIT participants is to give the opportunity to interact with the technology that is affected by the policies that the government shapes. Tech West areas of focus include 3D printing, Eureka Park (startup companies), Health & Wellness, SmartHome and Wearables.

11 AM – 12:30 PM LIT Show Floor Tour and Demonstrations – Tech East Tour
Departs from LVCC, North Hall, N263
The LIT Tour Program provides curated show floor experiences tailored to LIT participants. The goal of the show floor tour for LIT participants is to give the opportunity to interact with the technology that is affected by the policies that the government shapes. Tech East areas include Accessibility, AI & Robots, AR/VR, Drones, Resilience, Self-Driving and Smart Cities.

11:30 AM – 1 PM Lunch
Encore, Registration Suite

12 – 2 PM Lunch
LVCC, North Hall, N263, LIT Lounge and Business Center

1 – 2 PM **The Global Race for Leadership in AI**
LVCC, North Hall, N256
Whoever leads in AI will lead the world. This adage has spurred nations into a global AI race. Panelists will discuss how the pursuit of economic, government, and ethical leadership in AI is shaping both technology and global politics.

2:15 – 3:15 PM **Innovation and Privacy: How We Keep Both**

LVCC, North Hall N256

Data is the lifeblood of innovation and drives competition. However, concerns about privacy are growing and government is considering new privacy laws. This panel will discuss how data powers innovation and what we should do to protect consumers' information.

3:30 – 4:30 PM **The Future of Section 230**

LVCC, North Hall, N256

Section 230 makes the speaker, not the host platform responsible for online speech. This law enables free speech and US tech leadership. What happens if Section 230 is weakened or goes away?

6:30 – 10 PM LIT Reception & Dinner

Keynote Address: Pat Brown, CEO, **Impossible Foods** in an interview with Liz Claman, **Fox Business**

Wynn Las Vegas, Lafite Ballroom

Hear Liz Claman interview Pat Brown about the innovative new line of meats and cheeses that are developed from plants. He will discuss their mission to give people the enjoyment of food that comes from animals without health and environmental drawbacks.

Thursday, January 9

Flight Options

7:05 AM – Southwest Airlines #1008/4771, LAS to ATL to DCA

5:05 PM

7:43 AM – American Airlines #1830/1775, LAS to CLT to DCA

6:13 PM



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From: Laura Hudson

To: Leaders in Technology (LIT) Participant

Date: October 18, 2019

Please select the following form for privately sponsored travel that corresponds to your dates of travel for CES 2020. You will need to submit these forms at least 30 days prior to the start of your trip to the House ethics office along with the LIT program schedule.

If you have any questions, please contact Sabrina Reibeling at sreibeling@cta.tech or 703-907-7795.