

# 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 by email at gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov, within 15 days after travel is completed. Please donot 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: Katherine Grace Bryan
2.	a. Name of Accompanying Relative: OR  None
	b. Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify):
3.	a. Dates: Departure: 22 February 2024 Return: 23 February 2024
	b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: OR None
4.	Departure City: Annandale VA Destination: Richmond VA Return City: Annandale VA
5.	Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: The Heritage Foundation
6.	Describe Meetings and Events Attended: (See attached itinerary) Attended seven talks on promoting conservative principles.
	Participated in "One Idea to Save the World," a interactive policy creation activity with fellow staff attendees.
7.	Attached to this form are <i>each</i> of the following, signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box:  a. a completed Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form;
	b. the <i>Primary Trip Sponsor Form</i> completed by the trip sponsor <i>prior</i> to the trip, <i>including all</i> attachments <i>and</i> the <i>Additional Sponsor Form(s)</i> ;
	c. apage 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 c	ertify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.
Sig	mature of Traveler:
Dis	athorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached <i>Sponsor Post-Travel</i> sclosure Form were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not attend appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.
Nai	me of Supervising Member: Rep. Bill Posey Date: 8 March 2024
	nature of Supervising Member:
last	updated 7/2023



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NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. The Heritage Foundation Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip: Travel Destination(s): Richmond, Virginia 2. Date of Return: February 23, 2024 Date of Departure: February 22, 2024 Name(s) of Traveler(s): Attached 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 Other Expenses Total Meal Total Lodging Total Transportation (dollar amount per item Expenses Expenses Expenses and description) \$11.74 Traveler \$88 \$67.91 \$149 book on Leadership by one of the speakers Bus 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. 3/5/2024 Signature: Title: Chief Advancement Officer Name: Andrew Olivastro Organization: The Heritage Foundation ■ I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box. Address: 214 Massachusetts Ave, NE Washington, DC 20002 Email: dan.mauler@heritage.org Telephone: 202-546-4400

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.



#### 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's website (ethics. house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form. The Committee will notify the House invitees directly of its decision and will not notify the trip sponsors.

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. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.

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	The Heritage Foundation
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.	<ul> <li>Check only one. I represent that:</li> <li>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</li> </ul>
	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, services, or in-kind assistance 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):  Attached
5.	Yes No Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?
6.	Date of Departure: February 22, 2024 Date of Return: February 23, 2024
7.	a. City of departure: Washington, DC
	b. Destination(s): Richmond, VA
	c. City of return: Washington, DC
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.

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	or recreational activit	ies of the invitee(s). Signify that the state	ement is true by checking box.								
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	a. The trip involves and that meals provid event attendees; OR	an event that is arranged or organized ved to congressional participants are sin	without regard to congressional participation milar to those provided to or purchased by other								
	b. The trip involves	events that are arranged specifically with	th regard to congressional								
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	\$30 on Friday,	February 23	provided): \$60 on Thursday, February 22								
		for selecting the location of the event of as facilities that can accommodate the gr	ortrip: Richmond is within a reasonable drive roup size.								
16	Name nightly cost and	reasons for selecting each hotel or othe	er lodging facility:								
10.	Hotel Name: Omni	City: Richmor									
	Reason(s) for Selecting:	Reasonable room rates with ne	ecessary conference facilities								
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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 the box.
- 18. Total Expenses for each Participant:

Actual Amounts Good Faith Estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$82.80	\$149	\$90
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	\$27.99	Educational book by one of the speakers		
For each Accompanying Family Member				

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- 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 by my signature that

- a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
- b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and
- c. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Daniel March	Date: 1/11/24
Name: Dan Mauler	Title: General Counsel
Organization: The Heritage Foundation	
Address: 214 Massachusetts Ave, NE	
Email: dan.mauler@heritage.org	Telephone: 202-608-6183

If there are questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or travel.requests@mail.house.gov.



#### TRAVELER FORM

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This form and any attachments may be submitted at 1015 Longworth House Office Building or <a href="mailto:travel.requests@mail.house.gov">travel.requests@mail.house.gov</a>.

Your completed request must be submitted to the Committee no less than 30 days before your proposed departure date. Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 30 days before the trip commences. You must receive explicit approval from the Committee before you depart on this trip.

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For Staff (name of	employing l	Member or C	Committee):	Re	p. Bill	Posey			
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NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution purs 18 U.S.C. § 1001.  I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.  Signature:  Name of Signatory (if other than traveler):  For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee):  Poffice Address:  2150 Raylourn Hob Washington DC 20515  Telephone Number:  (202) 225 - 3671  Email Address of Contact Person:  Katherine bryan email house gov  Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet, the purpose of the trip is to make a media appearance sponsored									

NOTE: You must complete all of the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.

**KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM.** Page 2 (but not this page) must be submitted to the Clerk as part of the post-travel disclosure required by House Rule 25. Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting paperwork for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If there are any questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or via email: <a href="mailto:travel.reguests@mail.house.gov">travel.reguests@mail.house.gov</a>.

# COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

TRAVELER FORM	
e of Traveler: Katherine Grace Bryan	
sor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip: The Heritage Foundat	חטרו
and State OR Foreign Country of Travel: Richmond Virginia	
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es No Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?	
yes, list dates at personal expense:	<u> </u>
s No Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? If yes:	
Name of Accompanying FamilyMember:	
Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Other (specify):	
Yes No Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age?	
es \( \sum \) No \( \sum \) Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the <i>Primary Trip Sponsor Form</i> (i.e., travesponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?	rel
yes, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:	
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ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL	
authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my apervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the nee that the employee is using public office for private gain.	-

Signature of Employing Member:

Michael Guest, Mississippi Chairman Susan Wild, Pennsylvania Ranking Member

David P. Joyce, Ohio John H. Rutherford, Florida Andrew R. Garbarino, New York Michelle Fischbach, Minnesota

Veronica Escobar, Texas Mark DeSaulnier, California Deborah K. Ross, North Carolina Glenn F. Ivey, Maryland



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# U.S. House of Representatives

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Thomas A. Rust Staff Director and Chief Counsel

> Keelie Broom Counsel to the Chairman

David Arrojo Counsel to the Ranking Member

1015 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515-6328 Telephone: (202) 225-7103 Facsimile: (202) 225–7392

February 20, 2024

Ms. Katherine Bryan Office of the Honorable Bill Posey 2150 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Bryan:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Richmond, Virginia, scheduled for February 22 to 23, 2024, sponsored by Heritage Foundation.

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 \$480 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,

Michael Guest Chairman

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Susan Wild Ranking Member

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Last	First	Email	House/Senate	Office	Role	Travel
Daily	Marjorie	marjorie.daily@mail.house.gov	House	Rep. Harriet Hageman	Director of Operations	Bus
Dawson	Madeline	madeline.dawson@mail.house.gov	House	Rep. Byron Donalds	Director of Operations	Bus
Hibben	Ally	ally.hibben@mail.house.gov	House	Rep. Cliff Bentz	Deputy Chief of Staff	Bus
Jolley	Emily	emily.jolley@mail.house.gov	House	Rep. Mary Miller Meeks	Scheduler	Bus
Kumar	Sharan	Sharan.Kumar@mail.house.gov	House	Rep. John Rose	Legislative Correspondent	Bus
Mai	Randy	randy.mai1@mail.house.gov	House	Rep. Pat Fallon	Legislative Correspondent	Bus
Paine	Sarah	sarah.paine@mail.house.gov	House	Rep. Josh Brecheen	Office Manager	Bus
Pfingston	Chaston	chaston.pfingston@mail.house.gov	House	Rep. Lloyd Smucker	Legislative Correspondent	Bus
Royce	Nathan	nathan.royce@mail.house.gov	House	Rep. Andy Ogles	Legislative Aide	Bus
Tomko	Katie	katie.tomko@mail.house.gov	House	Rep. Troy Balderson	Director of Operations	Bus
Vaughn	Jack	jack.vaughn@mail.house.gov	House	Rep. Mark Green	Scheduler	Bus
Wadsworth	William	william.wadsworth@mail.house.gov	House	Rep. Mary Miller	Deputy Chief of Staff	Bus
Wynne	John	john.wynne@mail.house.gov	House	Rep. Dan Bishop	Legislative Assistant	Bus

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# Thursday, February 22 – Friday, February 23, 2024 Omni Richmond Hotel | Richmond, VA

# **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22**

8:30 - 9:00 a.m.

Congressional Staff Arrive at Heritage

Staff check-in and have breakfast

9:15 a.m.

**Bus Departs Heritage** 

11:00 a.m.

Arrive at Omni Richmond Hotel

11:30 – 11:55 a.m.

**Opening Remarks and Overview of Events** 

Dani Doane

Director, Congressional Relations

The Heritage Foundation

12:00 - 1:15 p.m.

Lunch with Session I: Building a Culture of Human Flourishing

**Delano Squires** 

Research Fellow, Richard and Helen DeVos Center for

Life, Religion, and Family The Heritage Foundation

The issue of humans and the family is interwoven into the fabric of every Hill staffer's job. Part of being an effective staffer is to understand the very real affect that Congressional decisions have on everyday Americans as humans and on the family unit. Delano will speak to the importance of Congressional staffers understanding these impacts and striving to ensure whenever possible that decisions promote a culture in which human beings and the family are able to flourish.

1:15 - 2:00 p.m.

Interactive Team Project Overview: "One Idea to Save the World"

One of the key aspects of being a Hill staffer is to be creative and think strategically. They often must come up with legislative ideas for fixing public policy problems, research them, and then be able to justify them. This project will work on these skills. In this portion we will break the attendees into working groups where they will begin to decide which of the ideas have merit and choose "team leads."

2:00-3:15 p.m.

Session II: Emerging Issue: "Abortion Post Dobbs"

**Connor Semelsberger** 

Government Relations Manager The Heritage Foundation Connor Semelsberger will provide an overview of abortion post-*Dobbs*. There has been a lot of confusion after the *Dobbs* decision, and we want to help junior staff better understand the lay of the land when it comes to the issues surrounding life.

3:15-4:15 p.m.

#### Session III: How the House and Senate Really Work

#### **Clint Brown**

Vice President, Government Relations The Heritage Foundation

#### **Aaron Calkins**

Chief of Staff Rep. Eric Burlison

This panel will provide a nuts-and-bolts overview of the House and Senate floor and committee procedure. Attendees will learn how the House and Senate operate and about their similarities and differences.

4:15-4:30 p.m.

#### Break

Move into rooms

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

#### Session IV: Emerging Issue: "The Importance of Congressional Oversight"

#### Roman Jankowski

Senior Investigative Counsel, Oversight Project, Government Relations The Heritage Foundation

Roman Jankowski is part of the Heritage Foundation Oversight team. As such he will talk about the importance of Congressional oversight and provide an overview of how committees conduct the oversight process.

5:30 - 6:30 p.m

#### Breakout Activity: "One Idea to Save the World"

At this breakout session, the teams will debate and vote on which idea they want to do their presentation on. They will also determine who should be the presenters.

6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

#### Reception

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

#### Dinner and Session V: Why We Fight for Our Principles

#### Arthur Milikh

Executive Director

Claremont Institute Center for the American Way of Life

During this dinner session, we will discuss Founding principles and the roots of conservative philosophy. The purpose is to provide attendees with a framework for how to think through and approach challenges facing the American public.

## **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23**

8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Breakfast and Breakout Session for "One Idea to Save the World"

In this breakout session the teams will work on their individual presentations. They have to develop a winning argument for why their idea to change the world is the best and work to create 5 minute presentations.

9:30 - 10:45 a.m.

Session VI: Leadership Skills

JV Venable

Senior Research Fellow, Defense Policy, Center for National Defense The Heritage Foundation

This session will focus on leadership and unification. As the former Commander of the Air Force's Thunderbirds, JV Venable will impart lessons on leadership and how to create a unified and effective team.

10:45 - 11 a.m.

Break

Check out of rooms

11:00 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Session VII: Emerging Issue: "Deciphering the Federal Budget Process"

Richard Stern

Director, Grover M. Hermann Center for the Federal Budget The Heritage Foundation

Richard Stern will provide a policy overview on budget and spending. With the fiscal issues looming throughout 2023 and into 2024, this speaker will focus on providing the basics of fiscal policy (Appropriations, Budgeting, Reconciliation, etc.) and an overview of the current budgetary landscape.

12:15 - 1:30 p.m.

Lunch and Session VIII: Next Steps

The lunch will be an informal discussion between the organizers and the attendees about their career goals with feedback and lessons from Heritage staff. Dani Doane, Richard Stern, and Clint Brown all have worked on Capitol Hill so they will provide their knowledge and experience to the conversation.

1:30 - 2:00 p.m.

**Team Project Presentations** 

During this final session, the teams will have five minutes to present their ideas. Then the organizers will vote on the winner.

2:30 p.m.

Depart from Omni Richmond Hotel

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Tom McClusky (Invited)

Director of Government Affairs

CatholicVote

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# Question #4

House attendees were invited to the conference as they are rising policy leaders on Capitol Hill.

Invitation List Attached.

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Good afternoon,

On February 22nd and 23rd, Heritage will be hosting its annual Emerging Leaders Conference for rising Hill staffers. This an amazing opportunity to connect with like-minded staff, learn important skills and delve into key policy issues that will shape 2024.

Apply here!

#### Details:

When: Thursday, Feb. 22nd - Friday Feb. 23rd.

Where: Omni Hotel, Richmond Virginia.

Bus transportation will be provided from 214 Mass Ave NE at 8:30 a.m.

This unparalleled overnight conference is just for emerging leaders on the Hill and features:

- Presentations from some of the most influential experts in the conservative movement
- Critical skills and strategies to advance your career on Capitol Hill and beyond
- Hot topics we will be grappling with as we prepare for 2024
- Answers to those questions you've been mulling over in a fun and supportive environment.

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# Invite to PREVIOUS RSUPS

From: Ben Connelly < benedict.connelly@heritage.org>

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**To:** Brown, David < <u>David.Brown4@mail.house.gov</u>> **Subject:** NEW DATE: Emerging Leaders Conference 23'

Good Morning,

Thank you again for your willingness to join us for our Emerging Leaders Conference. As promised, we have now set a new date for this great opportunity. The new dates are February 22<sup>nd</sup> through February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The timing of the retreat itself remains unchanged, with registration starting at 8:30 a.m. and the bus leaving Heritage at 9:00a.m. on Thursday February 22<sup>nd</sup> to drive to Richmond, VA.

Since you were already confirmed as attending, we would like to give you a first chance at RSVP'ing for this new date. Please let us know at this RSVP link <a href="here">here</a> if you are able to attend.

Thank you again – and we hope you are able to join us in February!



# Thursday, February 22 – Friday, February 23, 2024 Omni Richmond Hotel | Richmond, VA

# THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22

8:30 - 9:00 a.m.

Congressional Staff Arrive at Heritage

Staff check-in and have breakfast

9:15 a.m.

**Bus Departs Heritage** 

11:00 a.m.

Arrive at Omni Richmond Hotel

11:30 – 11:55 a.m.

**Opening Remarks and Overview of Events** 

Dani Doane

Director, Congressional Relations

The Heritage Foundation

12:00 – 1:15 p.m.

Lunch with Session I: Building a Culture of Human Flourishing

**Delano Squires** 

Research Fellow, Richard and Helen DeVos Center for

Life, Religion, and Family The Heritage Foundation

The issue of humans and the family is interwoven into the fabric of every Hill staffer's job. Part of being an effective staffer is to understand the very real affect that Congressional decisions have on everyday Americans as humans and on the family unit. Delano will speak to the importance of Congressional staffers understanding these impacts and striving to ensure whenever possible that decisions promote a culture in which human beings and the family are able to flourish.

1:15-2:00 p.m.

Interactive Team Project Overview: "One Idea to Save the World"

One of the key aspects of being a Hill staffer is to be creative and think strategically. They often must come up with legislative ideas for fixing public policy problems, research them, and then be able to justify them. This project will work on these skills. In this portion we will break the attendees into working groups where they will begin to decide which of the ideas have merit and choose "team leads."

2:00 - 3:15 p.m.

Session II: Emerging Issue: "Abortion Post Dobbs"

Connor Semelsberger

Government Relations Manager The Heritage Foundation

Connor Semelsberger will provide an overview of abortion post-*Dobbs*. There has been a lot of confusion after the *Dobbs* decision, and we want to help junior staff better understand the lay of the land when it comes to the issues surrounding life.

3:15-4:15 p.m.

# Session III: How the House and Senate Really Work

#### **Clint Brown**

Vice President, Government Relations The Heritage Foundation

#### **Aaron Calkins**

Chief of Staff Rep. Eric Burlison

This panel will provide a nuts-and-bolts overview of the House and Senate floor and committee procedure. Attendees will learn how the House and Senate operate and about their similarities and differences.

4:15 – 4:30 p.m.

#### **Break**

Move into rooms

4:30-5:30 p.m.

# Session IV: Emerging Issue: "The Importance of Congressional Oversight"

#### Roman Jankowski

Senior Investigative Counsel, Oversight Project, Government Relations The Heritage Foundation

Roman Jankowski is part of the Heritage Foundation Oversight team. As such he will talk about the importance of Congressional oversight and provide an overview of how committees conduct the oversight process.

5:30-6:30 p.m.

# Breakout Activity: "One Idea to Save the World"

At this breakout session, the teams will debate and vote on which idea they want to do their presentation on. They will also determine who should be the presenters.

6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

## Reception

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

# Dinner and Session V: Why We Fight for Our Principles

#### Arthur Milikh

Executive Director Claremont Institute Center for the American Way of Life

During this dinner session, we will discuss Founding principles and the roots of conservative philosophy. The purpose is to provide attendees with a framework for how to think through and approach challenges facing the American public.

# **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23**

8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Breakfast and Breakout Session for "One Idea to Save the World"

In this breakout session the teams will work on their individual presentations. They have to develop a winning argument for why their idea to change the world is the best and work to create 5 minute presentations.

9:30-10:45 a.m.

Session VI: Leadership Skills

JV Venable

Senior Research Fellow, Defense Policy, Center for National Defense The Heritage Foundation

This session will focus on leadership and unification. As the former Commander of the Air Force's Thunderbirds, JV Venable will impart lessons on leadership and how to create a unified and effective team.

10:45 - 11 a.m.

**Break** 

Check out of rooms

11:00 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Session VII: Emerging Issue: "Deciphering the Federal Budget Process"

Richard Stern

Director, Grover M. Hermann Center for the Federal Budget The Heritage Foundation

Richard Stern will provide a policy overview on budget and spending. With the fiscal issues looming throughout 2023 and into 2024, this speaker will focus on providing the basics of fiscal policy (Appropriations, Budgeting, Reconciliation, etc.) and an overview of the current budgetary landscape.

12:15 – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch and Session VIII: Next Steps

The lunch will be an informal discussion between the organizers and the attendees about their career goals with feedback and lessons from Heritage staff. Dani Doane, Richard Stern, and Clint Brown all have worked on Capitol Hill so they will provide their knowledge and experience to the conversation.

1:30 - 2:00 p.m.

**Team Project Presentations** 

During this final session, the teams will have five minutes to present their ideas. Then the organizers will vote on the winner.

2:30 p.m.

Depart from Omni Richmond Hotel