

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM ☐ Original ☐ Amendment

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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.

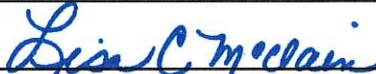
1. Name of Traveler: Aidan Aldridge
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: OR ☒ None
b. Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates: Departure: 8/10 Return: 8/12
b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: OR ☒ None
4. Departure City: Washington DC Destination: Cambridge MD Return City: Cambridge MD
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Congressional Institute
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended: All general session and comms director meetings except for "Wt
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 *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
 - 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 missed the meeting at 1:30 on 8/9 due to not seeing it on the schedule

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

Signature of Traveler:  Date: 8/26/26

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: Lisa C. McClain Date: 8/26/26

Signature of Supervising Member: 

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1. Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip: Congressional Institute
2. Travel Destination(s): Cambridge, MD
3. Date of Departure: August 10, 2026 Date of Return: August 12, 2026
4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): See attached list
*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	n/a	\$419.96	\$237.70	\$487.74 - Room Rental
Accompanying Family Member	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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: Brenda L. Becker Date: August 21, 2026
Name: Brenda Becker Title: Chair

Organization: Congressional Institute

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

Address: 1700 Diagonal Road #300, Alexandria, VA 22314

Telephone: 703-837-8812 Email: amym@conginst.org

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.

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Aidan Aldridge
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip: Congressional Institute
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel: Cambridge MD
4. a. Date of Departure: 8/10 Date of Return: 8/12
b. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?
If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? If yes:
(1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: _____
(2) Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
(3) Yes ☐ No ☐ Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age?
6. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ 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)?
b. If yes, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:

7. Yes ☒ No ☐ *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitation, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.
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.**
Aidan Aldridge, Member Services Coordinator. Attending this retreat will give me insight into senior-level strategy that informs how I serve schedulers in my role. It will also strengthen my ability to anticipate needs, generate professional development opportunities, and operate at a high level in my role
9. Yes ☐ No ☒ **Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**
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: _____

Lisa C. McLean

Date: 7/13/20

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

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.

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:

Congressional Institute

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, 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): _____

See addendum & attached invitation list

5. Yes ☒ No ☐ Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?

6. Date of Departure: August 10, 2026 Date of Return: August 12, 2026

7. a. City of departure: Washington, DC
- b. Destination(s): Cambridge, MD
- 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.

9. **Check only one of the following.**

- a. ☒ I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**
b. ☐ I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**
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. _____

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 the statement is true by clicking the 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:

See addendum

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): _____
Day 1- \$89, Day 2 - \$118.80, Day 3 - \$36
2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: _____
Relative proximity to DC and capacity to handle a large event

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Name: Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay City: Cambridge, MD Cost Per Night: \$210
Reason(s) for Selecting: proximity to DC, availability & facility size
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 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	\$84.37	\$420	\$243.80
For each Accompanying Family Member	\$84.37	n/a	\$243.80

	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	\$471.28	Room Rental
For each Accompanying Family Member	\$471.28	Room Rental

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 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: Brenda Z. Becker Date: June 24, 2026
Name: Brenda Becker Title: Chair
Organization: Congressional Institute
Address: 1700 Diagonal Road #300, Alexandria, VA 22314
Email: amym@conginst.org Telephone: 703-837-8812

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

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U.S. House of Representatives

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August 12, 2026

Mr. Aidan Aldridge
Republican Conference
543 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Aldridge:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Cambridge, Maryland, scheduled for August 10 to 12, 2026, sponsored by Congressional Institute.

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 \$525 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

Mark DeSaulnier
Ranking Member

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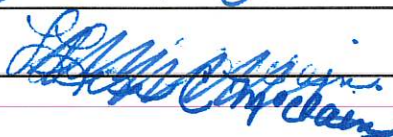
1. Name of Traveler: Aidan Aldridge
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: _____ **OR** ☒ None
b. Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other(specify): _____
3. a. Dates: Departure: 8/12 Return: 8/13
b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ **OR** ☒ None
4. Departure City: Cambridge MD Destination: Cambridge MD Return City: Washington DC
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Congressional Institute
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended: All of the sessions except for the AI trainings, as I attended the s
7. Attached to this form are **each** of the following, signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box:
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 - 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 did not attend the AI trainings as I attended the same ones during a previous retreat

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

Signature of Traveler:  Date: 8.26.26

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: Lisa C. McClain Date: 8.26.26

Signature of Supervising Member:  Lisa C. McClain

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2. Travel Destination(s): Cambridge, MD

3. Date of Departure: August 12, 2026 Date of Return: August 13, 2026

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): See attached list

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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	n/a	\$209.98	\$144.61	\$297.94 - Room Rental
Accompanying Family Member	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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: Brenda Z Becker Date: August 21, 2026

Name: Brenda Becker Title: Chair

Organization: Congressional Institute

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

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2026 LEGISLATIVE AND COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTORS CONFERENCE

AGENDA

DAY 1

The Congressional Institute welcomes you to this year's Legislative and Communications Directors Conference, grounded in our commitment to strengthening the institution by supporting those who serve within it. Our discussions on strategy, policy, and the evolving media landscape will help Legislative and Communications Directors better serve Members of Congress, their constituents, and the American people.

Monday,
August 10,
2026

9:30 am	BUSES DEPART CAPITOL HILL	S. Capitol Street (Between Rayburn & Longworth)
11:00 am – 12:15 pm	WELCOME LUNCHEON	Choptank Ballroom
11:00 am – 5:00 pm	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION	Chesapeake Foyer
11:30 am	BUSES ARRIVE AT THE HYATT REGENCY CHESAPEAKE BAY	Conference Center Entrance (Lower Level)
12:30 pm – 2:00 pm	WELCOME REMARKS Dan Meyer , Congressional Institute Board of Directors HOW IDEAS WIN: THE NEW SCIENCE OF POLICY, COMMUNICATIONS AND COALITION BUILDING David Chavern , President and CEO, American Council of Life Insurers, ACLI Marty Reiser , Partner, S-3 Group Former Policy Director, Office of then-Republican Whip Steve Scalise Summer Johnson , Public Affairs Advisor, Moderator	Chesapeake Ballroom
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm	AI TRAINING SESSION – OpenAI, ChatGPT Laura Keenan , Open AI Meghan Dorn , OpenAI, Moderator	Chesapeake Ballroom

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm	AI TRAINING SESSION – Google, Gemini Macaulay Porter, Google Carly Eason, Google, Moderator	Chesapeake Ballroom
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm	AI TRAINING SESSION – Anthropic, Claude Jessie Brown, Anthropic Mary Croghan, Anthropic, Moderator	Chesapeake Ballroom
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm	BREAK As a reminder, while participating in privately sponsored travel, you may not use this time for official meetings, agenda-setting activities, or campaign-related work. You may check email or briefly communicate with your office as needed.	
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	DINNER	Regatta Pavilion

DAY 2

Tuesday,
August 11, 2026

7:45 am – 8:45 am	BREAKFAST	Water's Edge Grill
9:00 am – 10:30 am	CLARITY ALWAYS WINS: HOW UNDERSTANDABLE IDEAS BECOME INFLUENTIAL A CONVERSATION WITH NICHOLAS JOHNSTON FEATURING A SMART BREVITY DEMONSTRATION Nicholas Johnston, Publisher, Axios Summer Johnson, Public Affairs Advisor, Moderator	Chesapeake Ballroom
10:30 am – 11:45 am	THE STRATEGIC MINDSET: LEADING WITH INTENTION IN A REACTIVE WORLD Jamie Jones Miller, Dean and CEO, Northeastern University, Arlington Campus Former House Chief of Staff Dan Meyer, Congressional Institute Board of Directors, Moderator	Chesapeake Ballroom
12:00 pm – 1:15 pm	LUNCH	Chesapeake Ballroom
	<u>COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTORS PROGRAMMING</u>	
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	WHERE ATTENTION LIVES: REACHING PEOPLE FROM THE DISTRICT TO THE NATIONAL STAGE Joby Fortson, Senior Vice President, Government Relations and Public Policy, Nielsen Carly Eason, Strategic Partner Manager, YouTube Arpit Patel, Partner Manager, Meta Summer Johnson, Public Affairs Advisor, Moderator	Chesapeake Ballroom

2:30 pm – 3:30 pm	STOP REACTING. START LEADING. Summer Johnson , Public Affairs Advisor	Chesapeake Ballroom
3:30 pm – 4:30 pm	DON'T CHASE THE NEWS. MAKE THE NEWS. Elizabeth Elkind , Reporter, Fox News Digital Dan Ronayne , Senior Vice President, Touchdown Strategies Summer Johnson , Public Affairs Advisor, Moderator	Chesapeake Ballroom
4:30 pm – 5:30 pm	EARNING TRUST IN THE ATTENTION AGE Kristen Soltis Anderson , Echelon Insights Author of <i>The Selfie Vote</i> Ken Spain , CEO, Narrative Strategies Summer Johnson , Public Affairs Advisor, Moderator	Chesapeake Ballroom
<u>LEGISLATIVE DIRECTORS PROGRAMMING</u>		
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	ARTICLE I: THE FIRST BRANCH Matthew Spalding , Vice President of Washington Operations and Dean of the Van Andel Graduate School of Government, Hillsdale College Dan Ziegler , Principal, Williams & Jensen Former Policy Director, Office of Speaker Mike Johnson Dan Meyer , Congressional Institute Board of Directors, Moderator	Choptank Ballroom
2:30 pm – 3:30 pm	THE PEOPLE'S CHAMBER: HOW THE HOUSE ACTUALLY WORKS Tom Wickham , Vice President and Managing Director of Government Affairs, U.S. Chamber of Commerce Former Parliamentarian of the House of Representatives Kyle Nevins , Partner, Harbinger Strategies Former Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of then-Majority Leader Eric Cantor Ben Howard , Partner, Duberstein Group Former Deputy Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs, Donald J. Trump Administration Former Director of Floor Operations, Office of then-Majority Whip Steve Scalise, Moderator	Choptank Ballroom
3:30 pm – 4:30 pm	BEYOND GOOD POLICY: WHAT MOVES IN CONGRESS Ben Howard , Partner, Duberstein Group Former Deputy Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs, Donald J. Trump Administration Former Director of Floor Operations, Office of then-Majority Whip Steve Scalise Marty Reiser , Principal, S-3 Group Former Policy Director, Office of then-Republican Whip Steve Scalise Adam Howard , Vice President of Cyber Policy, Twenty Technologies, Inc. Former Staff Director, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Moderator	Choptank Ballroom

4:30 pm –
5:30 pm

**OVERSIGHT: SERVING CONSTITUENTS.
SHAPING POLICY**

Mitch Benzine, Senior Associate, Eversheds Sutherland |
Former General Counsel, House Committee on Oversight
and Government Reform

Kim Hamm, Partner, Morrison Foerster | Former General
Counsel, Office of then-Speaker Kevin McCarthy

Meg McGaughey, Senior Director of Federal Government
Affairs, FanDuel Inc, | Former General Counsel, Office of
Majority Leader Steve Scalise, Moderator

Choptank
Ballroom

6:00 pm –
9:00 pm

DINNER

Crescent Pool

DAY 3

Hotel checkout is at 11:00 am. Attendees may store luggage with the bellman if driving.
Attendees riding the bus should bring their luggage to Choptank Ballroom.

Wednesday,
August 12, 2026

7:45 am –
8:45 am

BREAKFAST

Chesapeake
Ballroom

8:45 am –
10:00 am

**THE LEADER YOU ARE BECOMING: THE
JOURNEY OF LEADERSHIP**

A CONVERSATION WITH DEE ANN TURNER

Dee Ann Turner, Dee Ann Turner & Assoc. | Former Vice
President, Talent, Chick-fil-A

Jackie Bossman, Deputy Chief of Staff and Legislative
Director, Office of the Representative Zach Nunn,
Moderator

Chesapeake
Ballroom

10:00 am –
11:00 am

**GOING BACK TO THE BEGINNING TO LEAD THE
NATION FORWARD: AMERICA AT 250**

A CONVERSATION WITH JONATHAN TURLEY

Jonathan Turley, Shapiro Professor of Public Interest Law,
George Washington University Law School | Author of *Rage
and the Republic: The Unfinished Story of the American
Revolution*

Chris Jaarda, Partner, Holland and Knight | Former Senior
Policy Advisor and Counsel, Office of Speaker Mike Johnson
| Former Senate Legislative Director, Moderator

Chesapeake
Ballroom

11:00 am

CONFERENCE CONCLUDES

11:30 am

BUSES DEPART HOTEL

Conference
Center
Entrance
(Lower Level)

2:00 pm

BUSES ARRIVE AT CAPITOL HILL

S. Capitol Street

2026 LEGISLATIVE AND COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTORS CONFERENCE

Participant List

First Name	Last Name	Company Name	Title
Tim	Achinger	Office of Rep. Patronis (FL-01)	Legislative Director
Aidan	Aldridge	House Republican Conference	Member Services Coordinator
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Question 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):

See attached invitation list. This Congressional Institute sponsored conference focuses on the important roles of Legislative Directors and Communications staff in congressional offices. Therefore, the invitation to this conference is being extended to legislative directors and the most senior communications staffer in House Republican personal offices, policy directors and senior communications staffers in committee offices, and policy and communications staff in leadership offices, as well as any House staff who will present at the conference.

Question 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:

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This educational conference is designed for Legislative Directors, Communications Directors, and those serving in similar positions in committees and leadership. Specifically, it will feature outside experts and speakers who will present on a variety of topics relevant to these staff positions and their unique duties, including among others, management techniques, leadership skills, communications strategies, the important role of Article I in our constitutional structure, House rules and procedures, and technology tools to help improve operational efficiency and effectiveness inside their offices and in their positions.

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DAY 1

The Congressional Institute welcomes you to this year's Legislative and Communications Directors Conference, grounded in our commitment to strengthening the institution by supporting those who serve within it. The conference will provide information and best practices through discussions with outside speakers and experts on topics including leadership, management, communications strategies, and policy to help staff best serve Members of Congress, their constituents, and the American people.

Monday,
August 10, 2026

10:00 am	BUSES DEPART CAPITOL HILL	S. Capitol Street (Between Rayburn & Longworth)
11:00 am- 5:00 pm	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION <i>Attendees may arrive and check in at any time during this open registration period to receive event materials and credentials.</i>	
12:00 pm	BUSES ARRIVE AT THE HYATT REGENCY CHESAPEAKE BAY	
12:30 pm – 2:30 pm	CONGRESS CONNECTED: RESOURCE FAIR	
2:30 pm – 3:30 pm	AI WORKSHOPS <i>Attendees will learn about specific AI tools and potential applications in their work.</i>	
3:45 pm – 4:45 pm	AI WORKSHOPS <i>Attendees will learn about specific AI tools and potential applications in their work.</i>	
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	DINNER	

DAY 2

Tuesday,
August 11, 2026

7:45 am – 8:45 am
BREAKFAST

9:00 am – 10:30 am
WELCOME AND CONFERENCE KICK-OFF
Brenda Becker, Chair, Congressional Institute Board of Directors

LEADING IN THE ATTENTION AGE; HOW POLICY, TRUST, AND COMMUNICATION BREAK THROUGH

This session will feature a keynote speaker who will provide attendees with insights into what resonates with today's audiences and how congressional offices can effectively connect ideas, messaging, and impact.

10:30 am – 11:30 am
THE SKILLS THAT MATTER MOST: MANAGING UP, MANAGING ACROSS AND MANAGING A TEAM
Panel discussion on best practices for team management and effective leadership.

11:45 pm – 1:00 pm
LUNCH

COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTORS PROGRAMING

1:30 pm – 2:30 pm
WHERE ATTENTION LIVES: REACHING PEOPLE FROM THE DISTRICT TO THE NATIONAL STAGE

This panel discussion will examine how Americans consume information today, how it differs across various age groups, geographic regions, and communities, and what Communications Directors should be paying attention to as they develop communications strategies.

2:30 pm – 3:30 pm
STOP REACTING, START LEADING
This session will explore how to build and execute a modern communications plan that drives audience growth, amplifies key messages, and aligns with office priorities.

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm
DON'T CHASE THE NEWS. MAKE THE NEWS.
This session will explore how information moves through newsrooms, podcasts, newsletters, social media, and digital platforms, and how that momentum translates into coverage, interviews, appearances, and audience growth.

4:30 pm – 5:30 pm
EARNING TRUST IN THE INFORMATION AGE
This panel discussion will focus on how to build trust and constituent engagement in an era of increasing media content, information skepticism, and competing voices and platforms.

LEGISLATIVE DIRECTORS PROGRAMMING

1:30 pm – 2:30 pm
ARTICLE 1: THE FIRST BRANCH
This panel will discuss the important role and duties of Congress in our constitutional structure.

2:30 pm – 3:30 pm	THE PEOPLE’S CHAMBER: HOW THE HOUSE WORKS <i>This panel discussion will explore the House’s unique structures, processes, and traditions that have developed over generations and determine how the institution functions.</i>
3:30 pm – 4:30 pm	BEYOND GOOD POLICY: WHAT MOVES IN CONGRESS <i>This session will discuss tactics and strategies for translating policy ideas into legislation and shepherding a bill through the legislative process.</i>
4:30 pm – 5:30 pm	WHAT EVERY LD NEEDS TO KNOW: IMPORTANT LEGISLATIVE PROCESSES <i>This panel discussion will explore and discuss what policy staff should know and understand about recurring and/or annual legislative initiatives such as the NDAA, appropriations, the Farm Bill, and others.</i>
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	DINNER

DAY 3

Wednesday
, August 12,
2026

7:45 am – 8:45 am	BREAKFAST
9:00 am – 10:00 am	PURPOSE, PERFORMANCE, AND PRODUCTIVITY <i>The panel will provide tips and skills for maximizing performance, productivity, and focus while managing competing priorities.</i>
10:00 am – 11:00 am	GOING BACK TO THE BEGINNING, TO LEAD THE NATION FORWARD: AMERICA AT 250 <i>A conversation with Jonathan Turley (invited)</i> <i>Through the lens of American history and constitutional principles, Professor Turley will explore the enduring ideas that shape the American experiment and the vital institutions that sustain it.</i>
11:30 am	CONFERENCE CONCLUDES
12:00 pm	BUSES DEPART HOTEL
2:00 pm	BUSES ARRIVE AT CAPITOL HILL

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Madeline	Waschak	Office of Rep. Williams (TX-25)	Communications Director
Scott	Waters	Office of Rep. Lawler (NY-17)	Communications Director
Scott	Watson	Office of Rep. Evans (CO-08)	Legislative Director
Michael	Weglein	Committee on Foreign Affairs	Communications Director
Austin	Weiter	Office of Rep. Miller-Meeks (IA-01)	Legislative Director
Megan	Wenrich	Office of Rep. Shreve (IN-06)	Legislative Director
Bubba	White	Office of Rep. Rouzer (NC-07)	Legislative Director
Trevor	White	Committee on Agriculture	Policy Director
Jonathan	Wilcox	Office of Rep. Issa (CA-48)	Communications Director
Harrison	Wilkinson	Office of Rep. Fleischmann (TN-03)	Communications Director
Ashley	Will	Office of Rep. Patronis (FL-01)	Communications Director
Emma	Williams	Office of Rep. Kennedy (UT-03)	Communications Director
Liz	Willis	Office of Rep. Timmons (SC-04)	Communications Director
Rosie	Wilson	Committee on Ways and Means	Communications Director
Graham	Wise	Office of Rep. Gill (TX-26)	Legislative Director
Yvette	Wissmann	Office of Majority Leader Scalise	Floor Director
Logan	Wolfe	Office of Rep. Biggs (AZ-05)	Legislative Director
Brayden	Woods	Office of Rep. Van Dyne (TX-24)	Legislative Director
Elizabeth	Young	Office of Rep. Estes (KS-04)	Legislative Director
Julianne	Young	Office of Rep. Norman (SC-05)	Legislative Director
James	Zandstra	Office of Rep. Kiley (CA-03)	Legislative Director
Jenna	Zantow	Office of Rep. Wied (WI-08)	Legislative Director
Alec	Zender	Office of Rep. Bergman (MI-01)	Legislative Director
Mac	Zimmerman	Office of Rep. Tiffany (WI-07)	Legislative Director
Nate	Zimpher	Office of Rep. Balderson (OH-12)	Legislative Director
Eric	Zulkosky	Office of Majority Leader Scalise	Chief of Staff



2026 SCHEDULERS AND OPERATIONS DIRECTORS CONFERENCE

CONFERENCE AGENDA

DAY 1

The Congressional Institute welcomes you to this year's Schedulers and Operations Directors Conference, grounded in our commitment to strengthening the institution by supporting those who serve within it.

Wednesday,
August 12, 2026

9:00 am	BUSES DEPART CAPITOL HILL	S. Capitol Street (Between Rayburn & Longworth)
10:00 am - 5:00 pm	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION	Chesapeake Foyer
11:00 am - 12:15 pm	WELCOME LUNCH	Choptank Ballroom
12:30 pm - 2:00 pm	WELCOME REMARKS Congressional Institute Staff	Chesapeake Ballroom
	THE LEADER YOU ARE BECOMING: THE JOURNEY OF LEADERSHIP Dee Ann Turner , CEO, Dee Ann Turner & Assoc. Former Vice President for Talent, Chick-fil-A Courtney Butcher , Deputy Chief of Staff, Speaker of the House Mike Johnson, Moderator	
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm	AI TRAINING SESSION: OpenAI, ChatGPT Meghan Dorn and David Sperry , OpenAI, ChatGPT	Chesapeake Ballroom
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	AI TRAINING SESSION: Google, Gemini Macaulay Porter , Google, Gemini	Chesapeake Ballroom
4:30 pm - 5:30 pm	AI TRAINING SESSION: Anthropic, Claude Mary Croghan and Dylan Shields , Anthropic, Claude	Chesapeake Ballroom
5:30 pm - 6:00 pm	BREAK <i>As a reminder, while participating in privately sponsored travel, you may not use this time for official meetings, agenda-setting activities, or campaign-related work. You may check email or briefly communicate with your office as needed.</i>	
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	DINNER	Regatta Pavilion (Outside)

DAY 2

Thursday,
August 13,
2026

Hotel checkout is at 11:00 am. Attendees may store luggage with the bellman if driving. Attendees riding the bus should bring their luggage to Choptank Ballroom.

7:00 am - 7:45 am	START YOUR DAY ON THE RIGHT FOOT! (OPTIONAL) <i>For those who are interested, join CI staff to walk the property along the Choptank River, meet your colleagues, and get your steps in before breakfast.</i>	Hotel Lobby
7:45 am - 8:45 am	BREAKFAST	Water's Edge Grill
9:00 am - 10:00 am	THE CERTAINTY IN ADAPTABILITY Richard Eddings , Chief of Staff, HB Strategies Jennifer Beil , Operations Director, The Honorable Brett Guthrie , Moderator	Chesapeake Ballroom
10:00 am - 11:00 am	FILLING PRIORITIES, NOT CALENDARS: BUILDING A STRATEGIC SCHEDULE Colleen Harmon , Director of Operations, White House Office of Legislative Affairs Former Scheduling Director, Senator JD Vance and Speaker of the House Mike Johnson Abbie Sumbrum , Chief of Staff, Rumble Inc. Brittany Smith , Director of Scheduling and Operations, Speaker of the House Mike Johnson, Moderator	Chesapeake Ballroom
11:30 am - 1:00 pm	WORKING LUNCH: OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE Shannon DiBari , SVP and Chief Operating Officer, American Petroleum Institute Abbie Sumbrum , Chief of Staff, Rumble Inc., Moderator	Chesapeake Ballroom
1:15 pm - 2:15 pm	SPEAK WITH CLARITY. RESPOND WITH CONFIDENCE. Alison Cheperdak, J.D. , Best-Selling Author Founder, Elevate Etiquette Jordan Wilson , Director of Member Services, Modernization & Innovation, Committee on House Administration, Moderator	Chesapeake Ballroom
2:15 pm	CONFERENCE CONCLUDES	
2:45 pm	BUSES DEPART HOTEL	Conference Center Entrance (Lower Level)
4:45 pm	BUSES ARRIVE AT CAPITOL HILL	

2026 SCHEDULERS AND OPERATIONS DIRECTORS CONFERENCE

Participant List

First Name	Last Name	Company Name	Title
Sydney	Aalbers Burns	Office of Rep. Carter (TX-31)	Scheduler
Aidan	Aldridge	House Republican Conference	Member Services Coordinator
Sophie	Attilis	Office of Rep. Griffith (VA-09)	Scheduler
Zehra	Bakirdan	Office of Rep. LaHood (IL-16)	Director of Operations
Shelly	Ballaish	Office of Rep. Mast (FL-21)	Scheduler
Emma	Banse	Office of Rep. Bacon (NE-02)	Director of Operations
Zachery	Barnes	Office of Rep. Feenstra (IA-04)	Scheduler
Jennifer	Beil	Office of Rep. Guthrie (KY-02)	Director of Operations
Noa	Benitah	Office of Rep. Miller-Meeks (IA-01)	Scheduler
Parker	Boggs	Office of Rep. Cammack (FL-03)	Director of Operations
Erika	Bone	Office of Rep. Bost (IL-12)	Operations Director
Owen	Boyd	Office of Rep. Burlison (MO-07)	Scheduler
Eva	Brady	Office of Rep. Steil (WI-01)	Scheduler
Jackie	Burke	Office of Majority Whip Emmer	Member Services Director
Elbia	Burnett	Office of Rep. Fulcher (ID-01)	Director of Operations
Courtney	Butcher	Office of Speaker Johnson	Deputy Chief of Staff
Alexis	Cagan	Office of Rep. Kelly (PA-16)	Scheduler
Luke	Catanzaro	Office of Majority Leader Scalise	Membership Services Coordinator
Mallory	Cogar	Committee on Oversight and Government Reform	Operations Director/Chief Clerk
Natasha	Coleman	Office of Rep. Balderson (OH-12)	Scheduler
Maggie	Davis	Office of Rep. Jackson (TX-13)	Scheduler
Kaleigh	DeGeldere	Office of Speaker Johnson	Deputy Scheduling Director
Keimon	Dixson	Office of Rep. LaLota (NY-01)	Scheduler
Kristen	Doran	Office of Rep. Kean (NJ-07)	Operations Director
Greer	Ellender	Office of Majority Leader Scalise	Deputy Scheduler
Ross	Elston	Office of the Speaker	Cloakroom Floor Assistant
Alyssa	Erdel	House Republican Conference	Deputy Chief of Staff
Riley	Gobora	Office of Rep. Weber (TX-14)	Operations Director
Peyton	Harvey	Office of Rep. Mike Johnson	Director of Operations
Nicholas	Herlevic	Office of Rep. Shreve (IN-06)	Scheduler
Morgan	Hershey	Office of Speaker Johnson	Floor Assistant
Violet	Hibbard	Office of Rep. Schmidt (KS-02)	Scheduler
Yvonne	Hillis	Office of Rep. Spartz (IN-05)	Deputy Chief of Staff/Scheduler
Meagan	Jennings	Office of Rep. Cline (VA-06)	Operations Director
Alyssa	Jin	Office of Rep. Arrington (TX-19)	Operations Director
Milka	Jurado	Office of Rep. Harrigan (NC-10)	Scheduler
Ashlyn	Landes	Office of Rep. Fuller (GA-14)	Scheduler
John	Lanning	Office of Speaker Johnson	Assistant Director of Member Services
Noah	Larsen	Office of Rep. Tenney (NY-24)	Operations Director
Ashley	Lebda	Office of Rep. Fong (CA-20)	Scheduler
Lauren	Marolf	Office of Rep. Luna (FL-13)	Scheduler
Maiu	Mots	Office of Rep. Miller (WV-01)	Scheduler
Johannah	Murphy	Office of Rep. Calvert (CA-41)	Scheduler
Brianna	Nagle	Office of Rep. Houchin (IN-09)	Deputy Chief of Staff/Scheduler
Isabella	Persky	Office of Rep. Hudson (NC-09)	Scheduler
Paula	Restrepo	Office of Rep. Valadao (CA-22)	Scheduler
Marshall	Richardson	Office of Rep. Self (TX-03)	Director of Operations
Sydney	Russell	Office of Rep. Goldman (TX-12)	Scheduler
Savannah	Russell	Office of Rep. McClain (MI-09)	Scheduler
Ashlynn	Schultz	Office of Rep. Pfluger (TX-11)	Scheduler
Nicole	Serravillo	Office of Rep. Garbarino (NY-02)	Operations Director
Savannah	Smallwood	Office of Rep. Yakym (IN-02)	Director of Operations
Brittany	Smith	Office of Speaker Johnson	Director of Scheduling and Operations

2026 SCHEDULERS AND OPERATIONS DIRECTORS CONFERENCE**Participant List**

Melina	Spatharis	House Republican Conference	Executive Assistant to the Chief of Staff
Katharine	Tate	Office of Rep. Scott Franklin (FL-18)	Deputy Chief of Staff
Paulina	Tes	Office of Rep. Van Duijn (TX-24)	Scheduler
Sasha	Torrealba	Office of Rep. Bentz (OR-02)	Scheduler
Amanda	Turner	Committee on Budget	Deputy Member Services Director
Hays	Turner	Office of Rep. McGuire (VA-05)	Scheduler
Grace	Utz	Office of Rep. Bice (OK-05)	Scheduler
Ashley	Van Horne	Office of Rep. Dunn (FL-02)	Operations Director
Jackie	Van Slambrook	Office of Rep. Scott (GA-8)	Operations Director
Jack	Vaughn	Office of Rep. Fischbach (MN-07)	Director of Operations
Ava	Verzani	Office of Rep. Lawler (NY-17)	Scheduler
Esmeralda	Villanueva	Office of Rep. Ogles (TN-05)	Director of Operations/Deputy Chief of Staff
Liles	Wall	Office of Rep. Carter (GA-01)	Scheduler
Lindsay	Walton	Office of Rep. Knott (NC-13)	Director of Scheduling
Jordan	Wilson	Committee on House Administration	Director of Member Services, Modernization & Innovation
Ashley	Zecca	Office of Rep. Walberg (MI-05)	Scheduler
Cate	Zidar	Office of Rep. James (MI-10)	Scheduler

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

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.

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:

Congressional Institute

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, 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): _____

See addendum & attached invitation list

5. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?

6. Date of Departure: August 12, 2026

Date of Return: August 13, 2026

7. a. City of departure: Washington, DC

b. Destination(s): Cambridge, MD

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.

9. **Check only one of the following.**

- a. ☒ I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**
b. ☐ I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**
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. _____

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 the statement is true by clicking the 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:

See addendum

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): _____
Day 1 - \$84.20, Day 2 - \$66
2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: _____
Relative proximity to DC and capacity to handle a large event

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Name: Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay City: Cambridge, MD Cost Per Night: \$210
Reason(s) for Selecting: proximity to DC, availability & facility size
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 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	\$68.54	\$210	\$150.20
For each Accompanying Family Member	n/a	n/a	n/a

	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	\$283.07	Room Rental
For each Accompanying Family Member	n/a	n/a

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 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: Brenda Z. Becker Date: June 24, 2026
Name: Brenda Becker Title: Chair
Organization: Congressional Institute
Address: 1700 Diagonal Road #300, Alexandria, VA 22314
Email: amym@conginst.org Telephone: 703-837-8812

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

PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM ADDENDUM

Question 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):

See attached invitation list. This Congressional Institute sponsored conference focuses on the important roles of Schedulers and Operations staff in congressional offices. Therefore, the invitation to this conference is being extended to schedulers, operations directors, and member services directors in House Republican personal offices, committee offices, and leadership offices, as well as any House staff who will present at the conference.

Question 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 mission of the Congressional Institute (a 501(c)(4) nonprofit organization) is to provide information and educational resources, through conferences such as this one, that are designed to help Members of Congress and House staff best serve their constituents and perform their legislative and representational duties, and to promote public awareness of Congress and the legislative process.

This educational conference is designed for House staff serving in scheduling, operations, and/or similar roles in congressional offices. Specifically, it will feature outside experts and speakers who will discuss a variety of topics relevant to these positions and their unique duties, including among others, communications skills, House rules and procedures, operational best practices, and technology tools that can help improve efficiency and effectiveness inside their offices and in their individual positions.

The Congressional Institute is the sole organizer of this event and is solely responsible for organizing and funding the conference.



YOU'RE INVITED

2026 Schedulers Conference

Wednesday, August 12 - Thursday, August 13

**Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay
Cambridge, Maryland**

This invitation is non-transferable.

House Ethics strictly prohibits the [solicitation of travel](#) for you or anyone else.

If you are no longer with this office, no longer serving as Scheduler, or need to update your contact information, please [contact us](#).

REGISTER NOW

If you are unable to attend, please use the following link to [decline the invitation](#).

DOWNLOAD ETHICS FORMS

ETHICS FORMS ARE DUE JULY 13, 2026.

Instructions: Complete the first two pages of the traveler form, attach a copy of this invitation and email to travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

If you think there is even a possibility you will attend, we suggest filing your travel forms with the Ethics Committee.
You may always withdraw your paperwork.

DOWNLOAD DRAFT AGENDA

Please contact [Katie Hrkman](#) with any questions or call the Congressional Institute at 703-837-8812.



2026 SCHEDULING AND OPERATIONS CONFERENCE

DRAFT AGENDA

DAY 1

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Wednesday
, August 12,
2026

9:00 am	BUSES DEPART CAPITOL HILL	S. Capitol Street (Between Rayburn & Longworth)
10:00 am - 5:00 pm	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION Attendees may arrive and check in at any time during this open registration period to receive event materials and credentials.	
11:00 am	BUSES ARRIVE AT THE HYATT REGENCY CHESAPEAKE BAY	
12:30 pm - 2:00 pm	KICKOFF & WELCOME Brenda Becker, Chair, Congressional Institute Board of Directors WORKING LUNCH: HIGH TECH, HIGH TOUCH: USING AI TO INCREASE EFFICIENCY WHILE STRENGTHENING THE OFFICE EXPERIENCE This working lunch will explore how AI can be leveraged to create greater capacity and efficiency.	
2:15 pm - 3:15 pm	AI WORKSHOPS How to use/apply the tools.	
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	PROTOCOL: THE ART OF REPRESENTING YOUR DISTRICT WELL This session will provide an overview of contemporary protocol that is essential for any congressional office.	
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	DINNER: CONNECT, LEARN AND GROW Through facilitated small-group discussions focused on common challenges and lessons learned, attendees will exchange ideas and share best practices, leaving with practical insights they can apply in their offices.	

DAY 2

Thursday,
August 13,
2026

7:00 am - 7:45 am	START YOUR DAY ON THE RIGHT FOOT! (optional) Walk the property along the Choptank River, meet your colleagues, and get your steps in before breakfast.
7:45 am - 8:45 am	BREAKFAST
9:00 am - 10:00 am	HOW TO TREAT TIME Attendees will leave with a renewed understanding of their responsibility as stewards of a Member's most valuable resource and the impact they have on the success of an office, the institution, and the people it serves.
10:00 am - 11:00 am	FILLING PRIORITIES, NOT CALENDARS: BUILDING A STRATEGIC SCHEDULE This session will explore how to build a strategic framework that can help guide decision-making.
11:30 am - 1:00 pm	WORKING LUNCH: PURPOSE, PERFORMANCE AND PRODUCTIVITY Panelists will share time management strategies to support long-term success.
1:15 pm - 2:15 pm	UNDERSTANDING THE ISSUES AND THE FLOOR: POLICY, PROCESS, AND PROCEDURE This session will provide an overview of key House floor procedures and processes.
2:15 pm - 3:15 pm	REWRITING YOUR ROLE: YOUR VOICE MATTERS This session will feature a panel discussion focused on strengthening communications skills.
3:30 pm	CONFERENCE CONCLUDES
4:00 pm	BUSES DEPART HOTEL
6:00 pm	BUSES ARRIVE AT CAPITOL HILL

S. Capitol Street

2026 SCHEDULERS AND OPERATIONS DIRECTORS CONFERENCE

Invitation List

First Name	Last Name	Company Name	Title
Sydney	Aalbers Burns	Office of Rep. Carter (TX-31)	Scheduler
Sara Brooks	Adams	Office of Majority Leader Scalise	Deputy Operations Director
Jude	Al-hmoud	Office of Rep. Hinson (IA-02)	Deputy Chief of Staff/Scheduler
Aidan	Aldridge	House Republican Conference	Member Services Coordinator
Megan	Amen	Office of Rep. Wilson (SC-02)	Scheduler
Courtney	Anderson	Office of Rep. Van Orden (WI-03)	Deputy Chief of Staff/Scheduler
Shields	Armstrong	Office of Rep. Kelly (MS-01)	Scheduler
Sophie	Attilis	Office of Rep. Griffith (VA-09)	Scheduler
Zehra	Bakirdan	Office of Rep. LaHood (IL-16)	Director of Operations
Amanda	Baldwin	Office of Rep. Moran (TX-01)	Chief of Staff
Shelly	Ballaish	Office of Rep. Mast (FL-21)	Scheduler
Jimmy	Ballard	Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure	Coalitions Director
Courtney	Ballenger	Office of Rep. Graves (MO-06)	Scheduler
Madeline	Baltz	Office of Rep. Moore (AL-01)	Scheduler
Emma	Banse	Office of Rep. Bacon (NE-02)	Director of Operations
Channing	Barker	Office of Rep. DesJarlais (TN-04)	Scheduler
Zachery	Barnes	Office of Rep. Feenstra (IA-04)	Scheduler
Layne	Barnett	Office of Rep. Miller (IL-15)	Scheduler
Jennifer	Beil	Office of Rep. Guthrie (KY-02)	Director of Operations
Maria	Bello	Office of Rep. De La Cruz (TX-15)	Scheduler
Noa	Benitah	Office of Rep. Miller-Meeks (IA-01)	Scheduler
Lili	Benzel	Office of Rep. Joyce (PA-13)	Scheduler
Emma	Bergstedt	Office of Rep. Moore (UT-01)	Scheduler
Savannah	Berryman	Office of Rep. Hill (AR-02)	Operations Director
Kiley	Bidelman	Committee on Judiciary	Chief Clerk
Parker	Boggs	Office of Rep. Cammack (FL-03)	Director of Operations
Genevieve	Boisvert	Office of Rep. Fine (FL-06)	Scheduler
Erika	Bone	Office of Rep. Bost (IL-12)	Operations Director
Alison	Booth	Office of Rep. Womack (AR-03)	Scheduler
Debra	Boutwell	Office of Rep. Guest (MS-03)	Scheduler
Owen	Boyd	Office of Rep. Burlison (MO-07)	Scheduler
Ansley	Boylan	Committee on Energy & Commerce	Director of Operations
Eva	Brady	Office of Rep. Steil (WI-01)	Scheduler
Madison	Bright	Office of Rep. Moore (NC-14)	Scheduler
Anna	Brock	Office of Rep. Smith (NE-03)	Scheduler
Sarah	Brown	Office of Rep. Biggs (AZ-05)	Scheduler
Rebecca	Brown	Committee on Natural Resources	Operations Director/Scheduler
Maddie	Bruno	Office of Rep. Schweikert (AZ-01)	Operations Director
Tabetha	Bryant	Office of Rep. Foxx (NC-05)	Scheduler
Errical	Bryant	Office of Rep. Fedorchak (ND-AL)	Deputy Chief of Staff/Scheduler
Jackie	Burke	Office of Majority Whip Emmer	Member Services Director
Elbia	Burnett	Office of Rep. Fulcher (ID-01)	Director of Operations
Courtney	Butcher	Office of Speaker Johnson	Deputy Chief of Staff
Britney	Butler	Office of Rep. Stauber (MN-08)	Scheduler
Matthew	Cabiles	Office of Rep. Harshbarger (TN-01)	Scheduler
Alexis	Cagan	Office of Rep. Kelly (PA-16)	Scheduler
Christine	Callaghan	Office of Rep. Emmer (MN-06)	Scheduler
James	Capetanakis	Office of Rep. Malliotakis (NY-11)	Scheduler
Luke	Catanzaro	Office of Majority Leader Scalise	Membership Services Coordinator
Victoria	Cesaro	Office of Rep. Harris (MD-01)	Scheduler
Gracie	Chandler	Office of Rep. Patronis (FL-01)	Scheduler
Michelle	Chavez	Select Committee on China	Operations Director
Cooper	Cheetham	Office of Speaker Johnson	Operations Coordinator

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Linette	Choi	Office of Rep. Kim (CA-40)	Deputy Chief of Staff/Scheduler
Riley	Clarke	Office of Rep. Mills (FL-07)	Scheduler
Mallory	Cogar	Committee on Oversight and Government Reform	Operations Director/Chief Clerk
Addison	Cole	Office of Rep. Palmer (AL-06)	Scheduler
Natasha	Coleman	Office of Rep. Balderson (OH-12)	Scheduler
Hannah	Cooke	Office of Rep. McDowell (NC-06)	Deputy Chief of Staff/Scheduler
Kathryn	Cornell	Office of Rep. Estes (KS-04)	Scheduler
Isabella	Coslik	Office of Rep. Jordan (OH-04)	Scheduler
Savannah	Coughlin	Office of Rep. Fitzgerald (WI-05)	Scheduler
Trayce	Cowgill	Office of Rep. Turner (OH-10)	Scheduler
Brian	Cress	Office of Speaker Johnson	Deputy Director of Member Services
Marjorie	Daily	Office of Rep. Hageman (WY-AL)	Scheduler
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August 7, 2026

Mr. Aidan Aldridge
Republican Conference
543 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Aldridge:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Cambridge, Maryland, scheduled for August 12 to 13, 2026, sponsored by Congressional Institute.

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 \$525 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

MG/MD:nl

Mark DeSaulnier
Ranking Member

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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Aidan Aldridge
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip: Congressional Institute
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel: Cambridge MD
4. a. Date of Departure: 8/10 Date of Return: 8/12
b. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?
If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**
(1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: _____
(2) Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
(3) Yes ☐ No ☐ Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age?
6. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ 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)?
b. If yes, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:

7. Yes ☒ No ☐ *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitation, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.
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.**
Aidan Aldridge, Member Services Coordinator. Attending this retreat will give me insight into senior-level strategy that informs how I serve schedulers in my role. It will also strengthen my ability to anticipate needs, generate professional development opportunities, and operate at a high level in my role
9. Yes ☐ No ☒ **Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**
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: _____

Lisa C McLean

Date: 7/13/20