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August 14, 2009

Honorable Robert A. Brady, Chairman  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on House Administration  
1309 Longworth HOB  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Complying with regulations of the Committee on House Administration,  
I am submitting herewith three copies of the monthly report for the  
Committee on Veterans' Affairs for the month of July 2009.

Attached are the following:

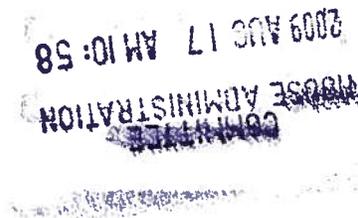
- (1) A statement of expenses and fund balance;
- (2) Summary of specific studies;
- (3) A statement of Committee travel;
- (4) A copy of the Committee payroll certification;

A copy of this report is furnished to the Ranking Member of the Committee,  
and the report is available for review by all Members.

Sincerely,



BOB FILNER  
Chairman



**U.S. House of Representatives**  
**Committee on Veterans' Affairs**

**Fund Balance Statement by CHA Requirements**  
**July**

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**Total Authorization**

111-1 \$3,761,006.00

**Less Expenses for:**

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January	2009	\$245,773.83
February		\$269,177.61
March		\$266,973.24
April		\$277,751.15
May		\$318,447.18
June		\$289,260.77
July		\$295,200.71

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**Total Expenses to Date:**\$1,962,584.49**Unexpended authorization**

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\$1,798,421.51

**U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on Veterans' Affairs**

**Monthly Statement by CHA Requirements  
111-1 July**

Description	YTD Including		Cumulative Total
	July	July	
Severance	\$0.00	\$5,097.17	\$5,097.17
<b>- subtotal</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$5,097.17</b>	<b>\$5,097.17</b>
Non-Statutory Compensation	\$272,733.56	\$1,829,405.14	\$1,829,405.14
Accrued Leave	\$0.00	\$1,699.06	\$1,699.06
<b>11-Personnel subtotal</b>	<b>\$272,733.56</b>	<b>\$1,831,104.20</b>	<b>\$1,831,104.20</b>
Transit Benefits	\$0.00	\$8,571.09	\$8,571.09
<b>12-Benefits to Current Employees subtotal</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$8,571.09</b>	<b>\$8,571.09</b>
Commercial Transportation	\$1,073.39	\$1,073.39	\$1,073.39
Meals	\$0.00	\$158.83	\$158.83
Private Auto Mileage	\$0.00	\$61.60	\$61.60
Taxi/Parking/Tolls	\$0.00	\$275.50	\$275.50
Travel Subsistence	\$0.00	\$13,484.98	\$13,484.98
Witness Travel/Related Expenses	\$0.00	\$777.62	\$777.62
<b>21-Travel subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,073.39</b>	<b>\$15,831.92</b>	<b>\$15,831.92</b>
Telecommunications Service and Equipment	\$89.97	\$149.95	\$149.95
DC Telecommunication Equipment (TRANSFER)	\$196.00	\$1,156.00	\$1,156.00
DC Telecommunication Service (TRANSFER)	\$537.50	\$3,225.00	\$3,225.00
DC Telecommunication Tolls (TRANSFER)	\$2,619.95	\$15,537.43	\$15,537.43
HIR Graphics (TRANSFER)	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Equipment Rental	\$0.00	\$520.52	\$520.52
<b>23-Rent, Communications and Utilities subtotal</b>	<b>\$3,443.42</b>	<b>\$20,888.90</b>	<b>\$20,888.90</b>
Printing & Reproduction	\$61.90	\$672.95	\$672.95
Photographic (TRANSFER)	\$55.00	\$103.60	\$103.60
<b>24-Printing and Reproduction subtotal</b>	<b>\$116.90</b>	<b>\$776.55</b>	<b>\$776.55</b>
Stenographic Reporting	\$0.00	\$476.00	\$476.00
Training	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$60.00
Technology Service Contracts	\$7,362.00	\$51,534.00	\$51,534.00
Web Development, Hosting, Email and Related Services	\$5,261.99	\$5,261.99	\$5,261.99
<b>25-Other Services subtotal</b>	<b>\$12,623.99</b>	<b>\$57,331.99</b>	<b>\$57,331.99</b>
Bottled Water	\$217.95	\$1,071.78	\$1,071.78
Food and Beverage	\$9.58	\$850.30	\$850.30
Office Supplies (Outside)	\$468.65	\$2,896.63	\$2,896.63
Office Supply (TRANSFER)	\$1,780.57	\$7,622.18	\$7,622.18

<b>Description</b>	<b>YTD Including</b>		<b>Cumulative Total</b>
	<b>July</b>	<b>July</b>	
Publications/Reference Material	\$1,402.00	\$3,057.20	\$3,057.20
<b>26-Supplies and Materials subtotal</b>	<b>\$3,878.75</b>	<b>\$15,498.09</b>	<b>\$15,498.09</b>
Equipment & Software Maintenance	\$1,330.70	\$7,484.58	\$7,484.58
<b>31-Equipment subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,330.70</b>	<b>\$7,484.58</b>	<b>\$7,484.58</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$295,200.71</b>	<b>\$1,962,584.49</b>	<b>\$1,962,584.49</b>

## SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC STUDIES AND INVESTIGATIONS

### JULY

- 7/30/2009 The Implications of U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' Limited Scope of Gulf War Illness Research
- 7/30/2009 Vocational Rehabilitation Education Contracts for Veteran Counseling
- 7/29/2009 Meeting the Needs of Injured Veterans in the Military Paralympic Program
- 7/23/2009 Examining Quality of Life and Ancillary Benefits Issues
- 7/22/2009 Enforcement of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' Brachytherapy Program Safety Standards
- 7/16/2009 Eliminating the Gaps: Examining Women Veterans' Issues
- 7/16/2009 The Evolution of State Approving Agencies
- 7/15/2009 Markup of H.R. 2770, H.R. 1293, H.R. 3155, and draft bill
- 7/14/2009 Examining the Progress of Electronic Health Record Interoperability Between the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and U.S. Department of Defense
- 7/9/2009 Markup of H.R. 1197, H.R. 1293, H.R. 1302, H.R. 1335, H.R. 1546, H.R. 2770, H.R. 2926, and a Draft Discussion on Family Caregivers
- 7/9/2009 Markup of H.R. 2379, H.R. 2774, and H.R. 2968

## **TRAVEL/INVESTIGATIONS**

### **JULY**

**July 7, 2009, Bethesda, MD**

**Bethesda Naval Hospital**

To review the plans for the Vision Center of Excellence (VCOE) that was earmarked in the War Supplemental. The intent is to find out how the money will be spent and when to expect the VCOE to be up and fully functioning.

**July 14, 2009, New York, NY**

**NAACP Armed Services and Veterans' Affairs Conference**

Meetings to discuss the need to provide advocacy, service, and support for our veterans when transitioning back into our communities.

**July 20 - 21, 2009, Las Vegas, NV**

**Veterans Business Conference**

Discussion on veterans' small business development and contracting.

**July 30 – August 2, 2009, Louisville, KY**

**Vietnam Veterans of America Convention**

Attend seminars on various issues, including women veterans and legislative priorities.

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Accounting Organization: VR000

Employee Name Position and Job Title	Annual Salary	Gross Pay	Period From	Period To	Remarks	Employee No.
SPECIAL & SELECT 3(D) PERSONNEL						
BUCKLES, TONY J CHIEF OF STAFF	45,381.00	3,781.75	07/01/09	07/31/09		
SHORTER, MALCOM A MAJ FULL COM1 STAFF DIRECTOR	172,500.00	14,375.00	07/01/09	07/31/09		
SMITH, KINGSTON E REPUB STAFF DIRECTOR/CHIEF COU	172,500.00	14,375.00	07/01/09	07/31/09		
TUCKER, DAVID MICHAEL CHIEF COUNSEL	143,920.00	11,993.33	07/01/09	07/31/09		
SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE PERSONNEL						
BLAYDES, CAROLYN E EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	45,000.00	5,775.00	07/01/09	07/31/09		
BRINCK, MICHAEL F REPUBLICAN STAFF DIR, EO	140,000.00	11,666.67	07/01/09	07/31/09		
BURDETTE, JEFFREY A LEGIS ASST/SUBCOMTE HEALTH	41,064.00	3,510.89	07/01/09	07/31/09		
CHAMBERS, TODD C LEG ASST/SUBCOMTE ON O&I	41,064.00	3,510.89	07/01/09	07/31/09		
CLARK, JONATHAN ANDREW PROF STAFF MEMBER/PRESS SEC	75,000.00	6,250.00	07/01/09	07/31/09		
COLLIER, DEBORAH SUE REPUBLICAN LEGISLATIVE DIRECTO	85,000.00	7,083.33	07/01/09	07/31/09		
DEKLEER, KRISTAL LYNN DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS	92,520.00	7,710.00	07/01/09	07/31/09		
DOTSON, BERNADINE N FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR	89,577.00	7,381.42	07/01/09	07/31/09		

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Employee Name Position and Job Title	Annual Salary	Gross Pay	Period From	Period To	Remarks	Employee No.
DUNN, DOLORES REPUBLICAN STAFF DIR, HEALTH	140,000.00	11,666.67	07/01/09	07/31/09		
FERRIGNO, SHERIE DAWN REPUBLICAN EXEC ASST.	80,000.00	6,666.67	07/01/09	07/31/09		
GARRICK, JACQUELINE PRO STAFF MBR, DISABILITY ASST	122,358.00	10,196.50	07/01/09	07/31/09		
HERBERT, MARTIN SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF DIRECTOR I&	130,000.00	10,833.33	07/01/09	07/31/09		
KIRKLAND, DIANE KAY PRINTING CLERK	95,758.00	7,979.83	07/01/09	07/31/09		
LARA, JUAN COUNSEL/S.C. STAFF DIR., EO	132,355.00	11,029.58	07/01/09	07/31/09		
LAWRENCE, BRIAN EDWARD REP STAFF DIR,DAMA,PRESS DIR	140,000.00	11,666.67	07/01/09	07/31/09		
MARTINEZ, JAVIER D PROF STAFF MBR, ECONOMIC OPP.	82,240.00	6,853.33	07/01/09	07/31/09		
MURRAY, CAROL S OFFICE MANAGER	82,240.00	6,853.33	07/01/09	07/31/09		
PARK, KRISTY PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEM, HEALTH	102,800.00	8,566.67	07/01/09	07/31/09		
ROSS, KIMBERLY W SUB STAFF DIR/COUNSEL,DAMA	132,998.00	11,083.17	07/01/09	07/31/09		
SALSBERG, RISA REPUB PROF STAFF MEMBER,H	80,000.00	6,666.67	07/01/09	07/31/09		
SCHULTZE, SHARON E PROF STAFF MEMBER-HEALTH	49,858.00	4,154.83	07/01/09	07/31/09		
SMITH, DEBORAH ANN LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR	123,422.00	10,285.17	07/01/09	07/31/09		

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Employee Name Position and Job Title	Annual Salary	Gross Pay	Period From	Period To	Remarks	Employee No.
TAYLOR, SHANNON LOUISE FULL COMMITTEE CLERK	53,199.00	4,433.25	07/01/09	07/31/09		
TORRES, ORFA ANGELICA LEG ASST/SUBCHTE ON EO	45,176.00	3,853.56	07/01/09	07/31/09		
TRAHAN, DION SANTANA PROF STAFF MEMBER,OVERSIGHT	90,118.00	7,509.83	07/01/09	07/31/09		
WELTER, TIMOTHY MICHAEL PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER	45,000.00	3,750.00	07/01/09	07/31/09		
WIBLEMO, CATHLEEN CECILIA SUBCOMITTEE STAFF DIR-HEALTH	132,612.00	11,051.00	07/01/09	07/31/09		
WILLIAMS, MEGAN LEG ASST/SUBCHTE ON DAMA	43,120.00	3,682.22	07/01/09	07/31/09		
WU, ARTHUR K REP DP STF DIR&STF DIR,SBCM OV	145,000.00	12,083.33	07/01/09	07/31/09		
ZAPATA, JIAN EXEC ASST, SUBCOM1 ON DAMA	53,456.00	4,454.67	07/01/09	07/31/09		

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Employee Group	Expenditure	Active	Paid
SPECIAL & SELECT 3(D) PERSONNEL	44,525.08	4	4
SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE PERSONNEL	228,208.48	30	30
Total	272,733.56	34	34

I CERTIFY THAT THE LISTED EMPLOYEES HAVE PERFORMED THEIR ASSIGNED OFFICIAL DUTIES FOR THE OFFICES OF THIS COMMITTEE, AND THAT THEY HAVE CERTIFIED THAT THEY HAVE NO RELATIONSHIP TO A CURRENT MEMBER OF CONGRESS, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED HEREON

X Bob French