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November 10, 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 October 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
October**

Total Authorization

111-1 \$3,761,006.00

Less Expenses for:

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
August		\$294,275.68
September		\$292,831.05
October		\$394,632.26

Total Expenses to Date:

\$2,944,323.48

Unexpended authorization

\$816,682.52

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

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

Description	YTD Including		Cumulative Total
	October	October	
Severance	\$0.00	\$5,097.17	\$5,097.17
- subtotal	\$0.00	\$5,097.17	\$5,097.17
Non-Statutory Compensation	\$272,403.00	\$2,644,694.14	\$2,644,694.14
Accrued Leave	\$0.00	\$1,699.06	\$1,699.06
Bonus	\$104,318.35	\$104,318.35	\$104,318.35
11-Personnel subtotal	\$376,721.35	\$2,750,711.55	\$2,750,711.55
Transit Benefits	\$0.00	\$8,571.09	\$8,571.09
12-Benefits to Current Employees subtotal	\$0.00	\$8,571.09	\$8,571.09
Commercial Transportation	\$33.00	\$4,344.18	\$4,344.18
Meals	\$198.32	\$357.15	\$357.15
Private Auto Mileage	\$0.00	\$61.60	\$61.60
Taxi/Parking/Tolls	\$0.00	\$275.50	\$275.50
Travel Subsistence	\$662.44	\$20,646.35	\$20,646.35
Witness Travel/Related Expenses	\$0.00	\$777.62	\$777.62
21-Travel subtotal	\$893.76	\$26,462.40	\$26,462.40
Telecommunications Service and Equipment	\$0.00	\$269.94	\$269.94
DC Telecommunication Equipment (TRANSFER)	\$196.00	\$1,744.00	\$1,744.00
DC Telecommunication Service (TRANSFER)	\$537.50	\$4,837.50	\$4,837.50
DC Telecommunication Tolls (TRANSFER)	\$2,739.00	\$23,821.33	\$23,821.33
HIR Graphics (TRANSFER)	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Postage/Courier/Box rental	\$0.00	\$5.66	\$5.66
Equipment Rental	\$176.00	\$953.04	\$953.04
23-Rent, Communications and Utilities subtotal	\$3,648.50	\$31,931.47	\$31,931.47
Printing & Reproduction	\$31.90	\$846.65	\$846.65
Photographic (TRANSFER)	\$12.80	\$116.40	\$116.40
24-Printing and Reproduction subtotal	\$44.70	\$963.05	\$963.05
Stenographic Reporting	\$600.95	\$1,701.70	\$1,701.70
Training	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$60.00
Technology Service Contracts	\$7,362.00	\$73,620.00	\$73,620.00
Web Development, Hosting, Email and Related Services	\$0.00	\$5,261.99	\$5,261.99
25-Other Services subtotal	\$7,962.95	\$80,643.69	\$80,643.69
Bottled Water	\$305.95	\$1,558.70	\$1,558.70
Food and Beverage	\$0.00	\$1,671.52	\$1,671.52

Description	YTD Including		Cumulative Total
	October	October	
Office Supplies (Outside)	\$498.77	\$7,851.13	\$7,851.13
Office Supply (TRANSFER)	\$3,534.80	\$12,413.91	\$12,413.91
Publications/Reference Material	\$15.00	\$5,943.78	\$5,943.78
26-Supplies and Materials subtotal	\$4,354.52	\$29,439.04	\$29,439.04
Equipment & Software Maintenance	\$1,006.48	\$10,504.02	\$10,504.02
31-Equipment subtotal	\$1,006.48	\$10,504.02	\$10,504.02
Total Expenses	\$394,632.26	\$2,944,323.48	\$2,944,323.48

SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC STUDIES AND INVESTIGATIONS

OCTOBER

- 10/28/2009 Markup of the "Veterans' Small Business Assistance and Servicemembers Protection Act," and H.R. 1168
- 10/22/2009 Markup of H.R. 2504, H.R. 2559, H.R. 2735, H.R. 3885, and Draft Bill
- 10/21/2009 Markup of H.R. 761, H.R. 3485, and Pending Legislation
- 10/15/2009 Identifying the Causes of Inappropriate Billing Practices by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
- 10/15/2009 U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Status Report on Post-9/11 GI Bill
- 10/14/2009 Update on the State of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
- 10/8/2009 Markup of H.R. 2696, H.R. 1182, H.R. 2416, H.R. 2461, H.R. 2614, H.R. 2874, and H.R. 1168
- 10/8/2009 Legislative Hearing on H.R. 761, H.R. 2243, H.R. 3485, H.R. 3544, and Draft Legislation
- 10/7/2009 Roundtable Discussion on Implications of the Department of Veterans Affairs' PTSD Rule-Making
- 10/1/2009 Legislative Hearing on H.R. 1017, H.R. 1036, H.R. 2504, H.R. 2559, H.R. 2735, H.R. 3073, H.R. 3441, H.R. 2506, and Draft Discussions on Homelessness, Graduate Psychology Education, and Psychiatric Service Dogs

TRAVEL/INVESTIGATIONS

OCTOBER

10/6/09 –Philadelphia, PA, Oversight of VA Medical Center

10/21/09 – San Antonio, TX, Attend VA Lender Training Seminar to become more familiar with the VA loan process which will help the Committee draft future legislation on VA home loans.

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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	10/01/09	10/31/09		
SHORTER, MALCOLM A MAJ FULL COMM STAFF DIRECTOR	172,500.00	14,375.00	10/01/09	10/31/09		
SMITH, KINGSTON E REPU STAFF DIRECTOR/CHIEF COU	172,500.00	14,375.00	10/01/09	10/31/09		
TUCKER, DAVID MICHAEL CHIEF COUNSEL	143,920.00	11,993.33	10/01/09	10/31/09		
SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE PERSONNEL						
BLAYDES, CAROLYN E EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	45,000.00	3,750.00	10/01/09	10/31/09		
BRINCK, MICHAEL F REPUBLICAN STAFF DIR, EO	140,000.00	11,666.67	10/01/09	10/31/09		
BURDETTE, JEFFREY A LEGIS ASST/SUBCMTE HEALTH	41,064.00	3,422.00	10/01/09	10/31/09		
CHAMBERS, TODD C LEG ASST/SUBCMTE ON O&I	41,064.00	3,422.00	10/01/09	10/31/09		
CLARK, JONATHAN ANDREW PROF STAFF MEMBER/PRESS SEC	75,000.00	6,250.00	10/01/09	10/31/09		
COLLIER, DEBORAH SUE REPUBLICAN LEGISLATIVE DIRECTO	85,000.00	7,083.33	10/01/09	10/31/09		
DEKLEER, KRISTAL LYNN DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS	92,520.00	7,710.00	10/01/09	10/31/09		
DELEON, KRISTINA R WASHINGTON DC INTERN	21,600.00	1,800.00	10/01/09	10/31/09		

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DOTSON, BERNADINE N FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR	88,577.00	7,381.42	10/01/09	10/31/09		
DUNN, DOLORES REPUBLICAN STAFF DIR, HEALTH	140,000.00	11,666.67	10/01/09	10/31/09		
FERRIGNO, SHERIE DAWN REPUBLICAN EXEC ASST.	80,000.00	6,666.67	10/01/09	10/31/09		
GARRICK, JACQUELINE PRO STAFF MBR, DISABILITY ASST	122,358.00	10,196.50	10/01/09	10/31/09		
HERBERT, MARTIN SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF DIRECTOR I&	130,000.00	10,833.33	10/01/09	10/31/09		
KIRKLAND, DIANE KAY PRINTING CLERK	95,758.00	7,979.83	10/01/09	10/31/09		
LARA, JUAN COUNSEL/S.C. STAFF DIR., EO	132,355.00	11,029.58	10/01/09	10/31/09		
LAWRENCE, BRIAN EDWARD REP STAFF DIR,DAMA,PRESS DIR	140,000.00	11,666.67	10/01/09	10/31/09		
MARTINEZ, JAVIER D PROF STAFF MBR, ECONOMIC OPP.	82,240.00	6,853.33	10/01/09	10/31/09		
MURRAY, CAROL S OFFICE MANAGER	82,240.00	6,853.33	10/01/09	10/31/09		
PARK, KRISTY PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEM, HEALTH	102,800.00	8,566.67	10/01/09	10/31/09		
ROSS, KIMBERLY W SUB STAFF DIR/COUNSEL,DAMA	132,998.00	11,083.17	10/01/09	10/31/09		
SALSBURG, RISA REPUB PROF STAFF MEMBER,H	80,000.00	6,666.67	10/01/09	10/31/09		
SCHULTZE, SHARON E PROF STAFF MEMBER-HEALTH	49,858.00	4,154.83	10/01/09	10/31/09		

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Employee Name Position and Job Title	Annual Salary	Gross Pay	Period From	Period To	Remarks	Employee No.
SMITH, DEBORAH ANN LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR	123,422.00	10,285.17	10/01/09	10/31/09		
TAYLOR, SHANNON LOUISE FULL COMMITTEE CLERK	53,199.00	4,433.25	10/01/09	10/31/09		
TORRES, ORFA ANGELICA LEG ASST/SUBCMTE ON EO	45,176.00	3,764.67	10/01/09	10/31/09		
TRAHAN, DION SANTANA PROF STAFF MEMBER,OVERSIGHT	90,118.00	7,509.83	10/01/09	10/31/09		
WELTER, TIMOTHY MICHAEL PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER	45,000.00	3,750.00	10/01/09	10/31/09		
WIBLEMO, CATHLEEN CECILIA SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF DIR-HEALTH	132,612.00	11,051.00	10/01/09	10/31/09		
WILLIAMS, MEGAN LEG ASST/SUBCMTE ON DAMA	43,120.00	3,593.33	10/01/09	10/31/09		
WU, ARTHUR K REP DP STF DIR&STF DIR,SECM OV	145,000.00	12,083.33	10/01/09	10/31/09		
ZAPATA, JIAN SENIOR EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	56,456.00	4,704.67	10/01/09	10/31/09		
SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE LUMP SUM BONUS						
TUCKER, DAVID MICHAEL CHIEF COUNSEL	143,920.00	2,000.00				
BLAYDES, CAROLYN E EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	45,000.00	3,000.00				
BRINCK, MICHAEL F REPUBLICAN STAFF DIR, EO	140,000.00	1,950.67				
BURDETTE, JEFFREY A LEGIS ASST/SUBCMTE HEALTH	41,064.00	2,500.00				

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CHAMBERS, TODD C LEG ASST/SUBCMTX ON C&I	41,064.00	2,500.00				
CLARK, JONATHAN ANDREW PROF STAFF MEMBER/PRESS SEC	75,000.00	3,881.93				
COLLIER, DEBORAH SUE REPUBLICAN LEGISLATIVE DIRECTO	85,000.00	3,881.93				
DEKLEER, KRISTAL LYNN DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS	92,520.00	5,500.00				
DOTSON, BERNADINE N FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR	88,577.00	5,500.00				
DUNN, DOLORES REPUBLICAN STAFF DIR, HEALTH	140,000.00	1,950.67				
FERRIGNO, SHERIE DAWN REPUBLICAN EXEC ASST.	80,000.00	3,881.93				
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LARA, JUAN COUNSEL/S.C. STAFF DIR., EO	132,355.00	2,400.00				
LAWRENCE, BRIAN EDWARD REP STAFF DIR, DAMA, PRESS DIR	140,000.00	1,950.67				
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Employee Group	Expenditure	Active	Paid
SPECIAL & SELECT 3(D) PERSONNEL	44,525.08	4	4
SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE PERSONNEL	227,877.92	31	31
SPECIAL & SELECT LUMP SUM BONUS	104,318.35	31	31
Total	376,721.35	35	66

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

Bob Furea