

RE-2 Employee Post Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses

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Post Travel Filing Instructions: Complete this form within **30 days** of returning from travel. Submit all forms to the Office of Public Records in 144 Hart Building. **This form is a public disclosure. The form and all attachments will be made publicly available.**

Certification: In compliance with the Regulations Governing Privately Sponsored Travel, Senate Rule 35, and the Honest Leadership and Open Government Act of 2007, I certify that I accepted the following gift of privately sponsored travel:

Private Sponsor(s):
America First Digital Foundation

Travel Dates:
05/27/2025 to 05/30/2025

Name of accompanying family member (if any):

Relationship to Traveler:

Expenses

Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meals Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
\$198.74	\$170.00	\$241.00	\$100.00

I also certify that attached to this form are all required documents for post travel disclosure, including:

- The final **Employee Pre-Travel Authorization** (Form RE-1)
- The final **Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form** with all attachments
- The final invitation
- The final approved itinerary

Finally, I certify that all trip information reflected in the attachments above accurately reflects the travel that I accepted. If there were any changes to the trip after I received approval from the Committee, the changes are described in ATTACHMENT 1.

7/2/25

Date

Janie Faulkner

Printed Name of Traveler



Signature of Traveler

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING MEMBER/OFFICER

I have made a determination that the expenses set out above in connections with travel described in the Employee Pre-Travel Authorization form, are necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses as defined in Rule 35.

7/2/25

Date



Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer

ATTACHMENT 1 – CHANGES FROM APPROVED PRE-TRAVEL

Note: Material changes to a trip that occur after the Committee has issued an approval letter may invalidate the Committee's approval. Please contact the Committee with any questions regarding changes to an approved trip.

Were there any changes to the pre-approved travel expenses? (Transportation, Meals, Lodging, Other)?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Expense Change	Revised Amount	Explanation
There were no changes to pre-approved travel expenses.		

Were there any changes to the pre-approved itinerary?

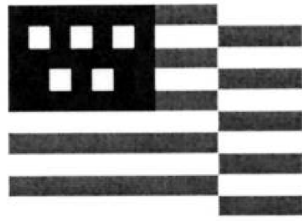
☒ Yes ☐ No

Explanation: "See attached for explanation of changes."

Were there any additional changes to the pre-approved trip?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Explanation: There were no additional changes to the pre-approved trip.



AMERICA FIRST DIGITAL FOUNDATION

April 4, 2025

Janie Faulkner
Deputy Policy Director & Senior Counsel
Senate Banking Committee

Dear Janie,

On behalf of the America First Digital Foundation, I am pleased to invite you to join our inaugural **Congressional Staff Delegation to Bitcoin Las Vegas 2025**, taking place Monday, May 26 through Thursday, May 29, 2025, in Las Vegas, Nevada.

The America First Digital Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, is dedicated to equipping Members of Congress and their staff with the knowledge and tools to understand and navigate the rapidly evolving world of Bitcoin and digital assets. Our programming is strictly educational, nonpartisan, and designed to help policymakers explore how cryptocurrency and blockchain technology impact innovation, economic growth, and American leadership in the digital economy.

Participation in Bitcoin 2025, the world's largest Bitcoin-focused gathering, will provide you with direct exposure to thought leaders and innovators shaping the digital asset space. We have curated a series of briefings, policy-relevant conference sessions, and expert-led discussions to deepen congressional understanding of the opportunities and challenges presented by digital currencies and decentralized finance.

The Foundation will cover reasonable travel, lodging, and meal expenses in accordance with all applicable House and Senate ethics rules for privately sponsored travel. A detailed agenda and itinerary are enclosed. A copy will be submitted to the Ethics Committee for pre-approval, as required.

Please note that the America First Digital Foundation does not employ or retain lobbyists. While Bitcoin 2025 is a large public event and may attract attendees who are registered lobbyists, any interaction with such individuals will be incidental, *de minimis*, and outside our programming's scope or control. Our sponsored educational activities will remain strictly nonpartisan and policy-focused, fully complying with ethics guidelines for privately sponsored travel.

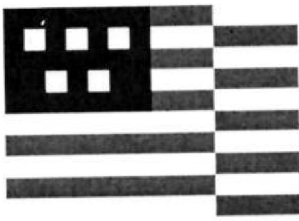
An informed Congress is essential to ensuring America's continued leadership in the digital age. We hope you'll join us for this timely and impactful opportunity.

To RSVP, simply reply to this email confirming your attendance by Thursday, April 24, 2025. Once registered, ethics paperwork will be submitted through the committee's privately sponsored travel portal.

For questions or additional information, feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

James Kimmey
America First Digital Foundation



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Itinerary

Monday, May 26, 2025

Departure: Depart Washington, D.C. for Las Vegas

Arrival: Arrive in Las Vegas, check into hotel

Evening: Welcome Dinner (6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, location TBD) – A private dinner for staffers to network and discuss the intersection of Bitcoin and public policy, with a brief keynote from a notable figure.

Tuesday, May 27, 2025

***Full Day Event: Code and Country: America at 250** (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

Group Dinner: 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM - A private dinner for staffers to network and discuss the intersection of Bitcoin and public policy, with a brief keynote from a notable figure.

Wednesday, May 28, 2025

***Conference Day 1:** Focus on institutional, regulatory, and economic policy sessions.

9:00 AM - 9:45 AM: Bitcoin Mining After The Halving: Scale or Diversify to AI?

10:00 AM - 10:30 AM: How Institutions Impact On-Chain Data

10:45 AM - 11:15 AM: How Do We Fund The Strategic Bitcoin Reserve?

11:30 AM - 12:00 PM: Can Nation State Adoption Precede Institutional Adoption?

1:15 PM - 1:45 PM: Bitcoin Banking: Legacy Integration or a Brand New Model?

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM: BitBonds: As American as Apple Pie

2:45 PM - 3:15 PM: Bitcoin Eating The World of Finance

Group Dinner: 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM - A private dinner for staffers to network and discuss the intersection of Bitcoin and public policy, with a brief keynote from a notable figure.

Thursday, May 29, 2025

***Conference Day 2:** Focus on regulatory clarity, societal impact, and closing keynotes.

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM: SAB121/Operation Chokepoint 2.0

9:45 AM - 10:15 AM: How Bitcoin Ends the State's Monopoly on Violence

10:30 AM - 11:00 AM: Stablecoins & Bitcoin: Companions or Competitors?

11:00 AM - 11:30 AM: Hester Peirce

11:45 AM - 12:15 PM: The Bitcoin Paradigm Shift: Impacts on Productivity, Quality of Life & Society

1:30 PM - 2:00 PM: Are Bitcoiners Becoming Sycophants of The State?

2:15 PM - 2:45 PM: Bitcoin Communication: Navigating the Evolving Media Landscape

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM: Information Asymmetry: Bitcoin Edition

Group Dinner: 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM – a recap & farewell dinner

8:00 PM: Check out and transfer to Las Vegas airport.

Evening Flight: Depart Las Vegas for Washington, D.C.

*Subject to change. Awaiting final Conference agenda

RE-1 Employee Pre-Travel Authorization

Date/Time Stamp

Pre-Travel Filing Instructions: Complete and submit this form at least 30 days prior to the travel departure date to the **Select Committee on Ethics in SH-220**. Incomplete and late travel submissions will not be considered or approved.

Name of Traveler:
Janie Faulkner

Employing Office/Committee:
BANKING, HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS REP

Private Sponsor(s):
America First Digital Foundation

Destination(s):
Las Vegas, Nevada

Travel Dates: **5/29/2025**
05/27/2025 to 05/30/2025

NOTE: If you plan to extend the trip for any reason you must notify the Committee.

Explain how this trip is specifically connected to the traveler's official or representational duties.

This trip activities will improve my understanding of digital assets. This will inform my work on developing related legislation for the Banking Committee.

Do you have an accompanying family member or spouse on this trip?
No

Name and Relationship to Traveler:
N/A

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

5/19/25

Date

Janie Faulkner
Signature of Employee

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING MEMBER/OFFICER
(President of the Senate, Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant at Arms,
Secretary for the Majority, Secretary for the Minority, and Chaplain)

Senator Tim Scott

(Print Senator's/Officer's Name)

hereby authorize

Janie Faulkner

(Print Traveler's Name)

an employee under my direct supervision, to accept payment or reimbursement for necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses for travel to the event described above. I have determined that this travel is in connection with his or her duties as a Senate employee or an officeholder, and will not create the appearance that he or she is using public office for private gain.

I have also determined that the attendance of the employee's spouse or child is appropriate to assist in the representation of the Senate.

☐ (signify "yes" by checking box)

5/19/25
Date

Tim Scott
Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer

JANIE

America First Digital Foundation: Congressional Staff Delegation to Bitcoin 2025

 Janie Faulkner

Title:
Deputy Policy Director & Senior Counsel

Employing Office/Committee:
BANKING, HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS
REP

Duty Station:
WASHINGTON, DC

Destination(s):
Las Vegas, Nevada

Explain how this trip is specifically connected to the traveler's official or representational duties:

This trip activities will improve my understanding of digital assets. This will inform my work on developing related legislation for the Banking Committee.

Name of accompanying family member (if any):
Not Entered

Name and Relationship to Traveler:
None

Organization Information

Organization Name
America First Digital Foundation

§501(c)(3) Organization Type
N/A

Address 2 (Optional)
Ste 102

Phone Number
8583360293

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Address
2200 Wilson Blvd

City, State Zip
Arlington, Virginia 22201 United States

Organization URL

History of Congressional Travel

The America First Digital Foundation is a newly established nonprofit organization with 501(c)(3) status pending, and this will be our first time sponsoring congressional travel.

Educational Activities

America First Digital Foundation is in the early stages of developing a comprehensive suite of educational programs focused on Bitcoin, blockchain technology, and the broader digital asset space. Our mission is to equip Members of Congress and their staff with the knowledge and tools necessary to navigate the rapidly evolving digital economy. While our inaugural event involves sponsoring congressional travel to the Bitcoin 2025 Conference, we are actively planning additional educational initiatives, including workshops and seminars in Washington, D.C., featuring industry experts to discuss the implications of digital assets on innovation and economic growth along with developing accessible resources that provide clear, nonpartisan information on digital assets and their role in the modern economy. These initiatives aim to foster informed policymaking and support America's leadership in the digital economy.

Lobbyist and Foreign Agent Registration Information

Lobbyist Registration Status: *I certify that the sponsor is not a federally registered lobbyist and do not retain or employ a federally registered lobbyist.*

Foreign Agent Registration Status: *I certify that the sponsor is not an agent of a foreign principal and do not retain or employ an agent of a foreign principal.*

Foreign Government Involvement

Foreign Agent Registration Status:

☒ I certify that the sponsor is not a foreign government.

- ☒ I certify that the sponsor is not an entity that is owned or operated by a foreign government.
- ☒ I certify that the sponsor does not receive funding from a foreign government.

Comments

None Entered

Signature Page

The signature page is below.

Purpose and Details

Provide a brief description of the trip.

America First Digital Foundation is sponsoring its first educational delegation for congressional staff to attend Bitcoin 2025 in Las Vegas. This trip is designed to deepen staff understanding of the policy, regulatory, and economic dimensions of Bitcoin and digital assets. Bitcoin 2025 is the world's largest Bitcoin-focused conference, bringing together global leaders in technology, finance, and public policy. AFDF has curated a nonpartisan, policy-relevant experience that includes access to key sessions, private briefings, and nightly dinners featuring expert speakers. Topics will include U.S. digital asset regulation, blockchain innovation, and the economic and geopolitical implications of Bitcoin. AFDF will cover reasonable travel, lodging, and meal expenses in full compliance with Senate and House Ethics rules. This initiative directly supports AFDF's mission to prepare congressional staff to thoughtfully engage with emerging digital technologies shaping the global economy.

Explain how the purpose of the trip relates to your organization's mission.

The purpose of this trip is to provide congressional staff with a deeper understanding of the policy, regulatory, and economic dimensions of Bitcoin and digital assets—topics that are rapidly growing in importance across multiple legislative areas, including finance, national security, technology, and economic competitiveness. This directly aligns with AFDF's mission of equipping Members of Congress and their staff with nonpartisan, accessible education about emerging digital financial technologies. By offering curated access to expert speakers, policy-relevant conference content, and private briefings, this trip supports AFDF's goal of ensuring policymakers are well-informed as they navigate the evolving digital economy. As a newly formed educational organization, this trip represents our first major initiative and reflects our commitment to providing meaningful, ethics-compliant learning opportunities tailored to the needs of congressional staff.

Is your organization the only sponsor for this trip?

- ☒ Yes ☐ No

Grantmaking Organizations (Optional)

There are no grantmaking organizations.

With or Without Regard for Congressional Participation

The trip is arranged or organized specifically with regard to congressional participation.

Lobbyist/Foreign Agent Involvement in Planning, Organizing, Requesting or Arranging

- ☒ The trip will not in any part be planned, organized, requested, or arranged by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal, other than de minimis involvement.

Lobbyist/Foreign Agent Financing

- ☒ The trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal.
- ☒ No funds or in-kind contributions were earmarked directly or indirectly for the purpose of financing this specific trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal.

Lobbyist/Foreign Agent Accompaniment

Complete if all sponsors are §501(c)(3) organizations

- ☐ The trip is limited to three days (for trips inside the continental United States) or seven days (for trips outside the continental United States), and no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the trip

Complete if any of the sponsors is not a §501(c)(3) organizations.

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