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FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2006

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Filer Status	☑ Member of the U.S. House of Representatives — State: WI — District: 07	☐ Officer Or Employee	Employing Office:
Report Type	☑ Annual (May 15)	☐ Amendment	☐ Termination — Termination Date:

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PRELIMINARY INFORMATION -- ANSWER EACH OF THESE QUESTIONS

		Yes	No
I.	Did you or your spouse have "earned" income (e.g., salaries or fees) of $200 or more from any source in the reporting period? **If yes, complete and attach Schedule I.**	☐	☑
II.	Did any individual or organization make a donation to charity in lieu of paying you for a speech, appearance, or article in the reporting period? **If yes, complete and attach Schedule II.**	☐	☑
III.	Did you, your spouse, or a dependent child receive "unearned" income of more than $200 in the reporting period or hold any reportable asset worth more than $1,000 at the end of the period? **If yes, complete and attach Schedule III.**	☑	☐
IV.	Did you, your spouse, or dependent child purchase, sell, or exchange any reportable asset in a transaction exceeding $1,000 during the reporting period? **If yes, complete and attach Schedule IV.**	☐	☑
V.	Did you, your spouse, or a dependent child have any reportable liability (more than $10,000) during the reporting period? **If yes, complete and attach Schedule V.**	☐	☑
VI.	Did you, your spouse, or a dependent child receive any reportable gift in the reporting period (i.e., aggregating more than $305 and not otherwise exempt)? **If yes, complete and attach Schedule VI.**	☐	☑
VII.	Did you, your spouse, or a dependent child receive any reportable travel or reimbursements for travel in the reporting period (worth more than $305 from one source)? **If yes, complete and attach Schedule VII.**	☑	☐
VIII.	Did you hold any reportable positions on or before the date of filing in the current calendar year? **If yes, complete and attach Schedule VIII.**	☐	☑
IX.	Did you have any reportable agreement or arrangement with an outside entity? **If yes, complete and attach Schedule IX.**	☐	☑

Each question in this part must be answered and the appropriate schedule attached for each "Yes" response.

EXCLUSION OF SPOUSE, DEPENDENT, OR TRUST INFORMATION -- ANSWER EACH OF THESE QUESTIONS

		Yes	No
Trusts-	Details regarding "Qualified Blind Trusts" approved by the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct and certain other "excepted trusts" need not be disclosed. Have you excluded from this report details of such a trust benefiting you, your spouse, or dependent child?	☐	☑
Exemptions--	Have you excluded from this report any other assets, "unearned" income, transactions, or liabilities of a spouse or dependent child because they meet all three tests for exemption?	☐	☑

CERTIFICATION -- *THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE SIGNED BY THE REPORTING INDIVIDUAL AND DATED*

This Financial Disclosure Statement is required by the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, as amended. The Statement will be available to any requesting person upon written application and will be reviewed by the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct or its designee. Any individual who knowingly and willfully falsifies, or who knowingly and wilfully fails to file this report may be subject to civil penalties and criminal sanctions (See 5 U.S.C. app. 4, § 104 and U.S.C. § 1001).

Certification	Signature of Reporting Individual	Date (Month, Day, Year)
I CERTIFY that the statements I have made on this form and all attached schedules are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.	[signature]	5-11-07

SCHEDULE III - ASSETS AND "UNEARNED" INCOME

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	BLOCK A **Asset and/or Income Source** Identify (a) each asset held for investment or production of income with a fair market value exceeding $1,000 at the end of the reporting period, and (b) any other asset or source of income which generated more than $200 in "unearned" income during the year. For rental property or land, provide an address. Provide full names of any mutual funds. For a self directed IRA (i.e., one where you have the power to select the specific investments) provide information on each asset in the account that exceeds the reporting threshold and the income earned for the account. For an IRA or retirement plan that is not self-directed, name the institution holding the account and provide its value at the end of the reporting period. For an active business that is not publicly traded, in Block A state the nature of the business and its geographic location. For additional information, see instruction booklet for the reporting year. Exclude: Your personal residence(s) (unless there is rental income); any debt owed to you by your spouse, or by your or your spouse's child, parent, or sibling; any deposits totaling $5,000 or less in personal savings accounts; any financial interest in or income derived from U.S. Government retirement programs. If you so choose, you may indicate that an asset or income source is that of your spouse (SP) or dependent child (DC) or is jointly held (JT), in the optional column on the far left.	BLOCK B **Year-End Value of Asset** at close of reporting year. If you use a valuation method other than fair market value, please specify the method used. If an asset was sold and is included only because it is generated income, the value should be "None."	BLOCK C **Type of Income** Check all columns that apply. Check "None" if asset did not generate any income during the calendar year. If other than one of the listed categories, specify the type of income by writing a brief description in this block. (For example: Partnership income or Farm Income)	BLOCK D **Amount of Income** For retirement plans or accounts that do not allow you to choose specific investments, you may write "NA" for income. For all other assets, indicate the category of income by checking the appropriate box below. Dividends, even if reinvested, should be listed as income. Check "None" if no income was earned.	BLOCK E **Transaction** Indicate if asset had purchases (P), sales (S), or exchanges (E) exceeding $1,000 in reporting year.
	Fidelity Trust-Asset Manager	$50,001 - $100,000	(IRA)	NONE	
	The Vandguard Group-Growth Index Fund	$1,001 - $15,000	(Roth IRA)	NONE	
SP	Wright Patman Congressional Federal Credit Union	$1,001 - $15,000	(IRA)	NONE	
SP	The Vandguard Group-Growth and Income	$1,001 - $15,000	(IRA)	NONE	
SP	The Vandguard Group-US Growth Fund Investor	$1,001 - $15,000	(Roth IRA)	NONE	
SP	U.S. Savings Bond Series EE	$1,001 - $15,000	(No Income Yet Derived)	NONE	

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JT	Wright Patman Congressional Federal Credit Union	$15,001 - $50,000	INTEREST	$201 - $1,000	

SCHEDULE VII - TRAVEL PAYMENTS AND REIMBURSEMENTS

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Identify the source and list travel itinerary, dates, and nature of expenses provided for travel and travel-related expenses totaling more than $305 received by you, your spouse, or a dependent child during the reporting period. Indicate whether a family member accompanied the traveler at the sponsor's expense, and the amount of time, if any, that was not at the sponsor's expense. Disclosure is required regardless of whether the expenses were reimbursed or paid directly by the sponsor. Exclude: Travel-related expenses provided by federal, state, and local governments, or by a foreign government required to be separately reported under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (5 U.S.C § 7342); political travel that is required to be reported under the Federal Election Campaign Act; travel provided to a spouse or dependent child that is totally independent of his or her relationship to you.

Source	Date(s)	Point of Departure--Destination--Point of Return	Lodging? (Y/N)	Food? (Y/N)	Was a Family Member Included? (Y/N)	Days not at sponsor's expense
The Congressional Program of the Aspen Institute - Conference on Education Reform	Feb. 21-26	DC-Montego Bay, Jamaica-DC	Y	Y	Y	None

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May 14, 2007

Re: Financial Disclosure

I insist that when this form is filed it also contain the enclosed attachment, the standard letter of invitation from the Aspen Institution which makes clear that at their conferences no lobbyists or anyone they represent are either allowed to attend or to finance in anyway the conferences involved.

David R. Obey
Member of Congress

Attachment

THE ASPEN INSTITUTE

Congressional Program

FACT SHEET

The Aspen Institute Congressional Program, established in 1983 by former U.S. Senator Dick Clark, is a nongovernmental, nonpartisan educational program for members of the United States Congress. It provides lawmakers with a stronger grasp of critical public policy issues by convening high-level conferences in which legislators are brought together with internationally recognized academics, experts and leaders to study their ideas and to explore various policy alternatives. Political neutrality is essential to the educational mission of the program. There is no identification with a political or party viewpoint and no endorsement of specific legislation. Current projects include: Political Islam; U.S.-Russia-Europe: Cooperative Efforts; U.S. Policy in Latin America; U.S.-China Relations; and The Challenge of Education Reform.

- **Participation.** Since the program's inception, 305 members of Congress (including 32% of the current Congress), 180 international parliamentarians, political and government leaders, and over 700 scholar/experts have been involved. Participation is limited to these individuals, their spouses and foundation representatives. No lobbyists, congressional staff or outside observers are permitted.

- **Funding.** Since its inception in 1983, the Aspen Institute Congressional Program has been funded solely by established foundations. Funding is not accepted from lobbyists, governments, corporations, private citizens or special interests; and honoraria are not paid to members of Congress or scholars. Legislators feel free to engage openly because of their confidence in the integrity of the program. In 2006, funding is provided by the following foundations: Carnegie Corporation (foundation) of New York, the Ford Foundation, the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, the W. K. Kellogg Foundation, the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, Pew Charitable Trusts, The Packard Foundation, the Charles S. Mott Foundation, the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, and the Asia Foundation.

- **Venues.** Members of Congress face massive demands on their time. They have little opportunity in the course of their normal activities for in-depth study of critical issues. Convening conferences outside Washington gives lawmakers an opportunity to devote time, over a four-day period, for serious learning and reflection without interruption. To supplement the annual conferences, 25-30 breakfast meetings are held each year in the Capitol featuring distinguished scholars and international experts with both academic and practical experience on program topics.

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What is the nature and purpose of the program?

The Aspen Institute's Congressional Program is a nongovernmental, nonpartisan educational program for Members of the United States Congress. It provides lawmakers with a stronger grasp of critical public policy issues by convening high-level conferences in which legislators are brought together with top academics, experts and leaders to study their ideas, and to weigh systematically the relative advantages and disadvantages of various policy alternatives.

What is the history of the program?

The Congressional Program was established in 1985 by former Senator Dick Clark to focus on the most pressing and important foreign policy issue of the time: U.S.-Soviet relations. That project expanded to include Eastern Europe and later the successor states of the former Soviet Union. Similar initiatives addressed U.S. policy toward Indochina and southern Africa, and post-Cold War issues including the United Nations and peacekeeping, international economics, and the environment and sustainable development. The program conducts one domestic policy project focusing on issues that affect the well being of children in America. In 1997, the program launched a new three-year initiative on U.S.-China relations. A report is published after each meeting, containing the scholars' papers, a brief summary of the discussions, the agenda and a list of participants.

How is the integrity of the program maintained?

A number of measures have been adopted to ensure that our educational mission is not compromised.

The Aspen Institute receives support from a variety of sources, however, the Congressional Program is funded solely by philanthropic foundations. No government, corporate, private or special interest money is accepted. Honoraria are not paid to Members or speakers. No lobbyists are permitted to attend the meetings, and press coverage is not allowed. Legislators are free to engage in a valuable educational experience without fear of influence by lobbyists or concern over expenditure of public funds.

Why travel outside the capital?

Members of Congress face massive demands on their time. They have little opportunity in the course of their normal activities for in-depth study of critical issues. Holding conferences outside the capital gives lawmakers an opportunity to get away from the daily demands of the office and devote time for serious learning and reflection without interruption. The conferences are supplemented by occasional breakfast and dinner meetings in Washington with leading political figures and analysts, and selected books and articles are distributed from time to time to keep Members abreast of the latest literature on specific topics.

Is the program nonpartisan in its approach?

Yes. Political neutrality is essential to the educational purpose of the program. There is no identification with a political or party viewpoint and no endorsement of specific legislation. A diverse group of lawmakers from both Houses of Congress and both parties is invited and a broad range of views is represented. The conferences are designed to probe the root causes of problems facing lawmakers to create a context in which they may make sound policy judgments. The program does not make or endorse policy recommendations.

Who has participated?

Since the program's inception, 178 Members of Congress, 150 foreign parliamentarians, international political and government leaders, and over 300 distinguished scholars have also been involved.

What is the impact of the program?

Members are exposed to the various viewpoints of leading scholars, as well as the perceptions and interpretations of leaders and experts from other cultures and regions. Thus, the program conveys a knowledge base on specific subject areas, and establishes a network of personal contacts with experts and practitioners, whom Members of Congress may call upon as resources. Additionally, Members often develop new working relationships with other lawmakers as a result of their participation in the program. The unique educational experience provides the necessary background for lawmakers to weigh their legislative priorities and gain a deeper understanding of vital public policy issues.

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For further information on the Congressional Program, contact Dick Clark, Program Director at (202) 736-5825.