

Rules: The Goodwill Bounty

The Sunlight Network is encouraging citizens to ask incumbent Members of Congress--including Senators who are not up for reelection in 2006--and all FEC-qualified candidates for Congress, to sign the following agreement:

The Punch Clock Agreement

I believe citizens have a right to know what their Member of Congress does every day.

Starting with the next Congress, I promise to publish my daily official work schedule on the Internet, within 24 hours of the end of every work day. I will include all matters relating to my role as a Member of Congress. I will include all meetings with constituents, other Members, and lobbyists, listed by name. (In rare cases I will withhold the names of constituents whose privacy must be protected.) I will also include all fundraising events. Events will be listed whether Congress is in session or not, and whether I am in Washington, traveling, or in my district.

We are offering members of the public a goodwill bounty, or fee, of \$1,000 per Member of Congress and \$250 for all other FEC-qualified candidates that they persuade to sign this agreement. The first person to submit an agreement with a particular candidate's/Member of Congress' verifiable signature to the Sunlight Network will receive this payment.

Conditions for Receiving the Fee

An individual's name and mailing address must be on the Agreement below the Member of Congress' name in order to receive payment. Only individuals 18 and over are eligible for payment. Non-individuals (corporations, political committees, etc.) are not eligible to participate.

Prior to payment, the Sunlight Network will contact the Member's or candidate's office to verify that their signature is authentic. If more than one valid signed agreement is submitted, payment will be based on the fax or letter that was received first in the Sunlight offices as determined in the sole discretion of the Sunlight Network.

The Sunlight Network encourages group efforts. If several people intend to split the fee, all their names and mailing addresses must be on the Agreement. The Sunlight Network will split the payment evenly among any names on the contract sheet.

The award is available for Agreements signed by Senators, Congressmen and women, Federal Candidates, Delegates from the District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the Resident Commissioner of Puerto Rico. No award is available for Agreements from Members of the Senate or the House of Representatives who are resigning at the end of the current session of Congress.

Candidates, Congressional members and immediate family members of either are not eligible to receive payment under this agreement, and under no circumstances will The Sunlight Network make payment to such individuals.

Participation in this contest does not make one an agent of The Sunlight Network and under no circumstance are participants authorized to speak on behalf of The Sunlight Network. Participants alone are responsible for their actions in participating in this project, and The Sunlight Network shall have no responsibility or liability for any of their acts, be they intentional, negligent or otherwise.

Payment of the bounty referred to above is payment solely for the delivery of the pledge, and not for any activities in which participants may independently decide to engage before or after securing the pledge, whether or not those activities are related to long-term Congressional transparency goals of The Sunlight Network.

If The Sunlight Network has any reason to believe, in its sole and exclusive discretion, that a participant promised a legislator or candidate something in exchange for her/his signature, The Sunlight Network will not pay the participant the bounty. Such a promise could include, but is not limited to, a promise of financial support or favorable advertising.

If The Sunlight Network has any reason to believe, in its sole and exclusive discretion, that a participant engaged in illegal activities in your pursuit of the pledge, The Sunlight Network will not pay the participant the bounty.

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