

From: Lamanna, Isabelle
Sent: Thu, 29 May 2025 18:44:41 +0000
To: Ali Beneker - Political
Cc: Naglieri, Trevor J. EOP/WHO
Subject: RE: [External]RE: RNC Speaker Request
Attachments: Sec. Chris Wright_Event Request Form.docx

Great chatting with you today, Ali! Thank you for passing the request along and I look forward to hearing from you going forward.

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From: Ali Beneker - Political <ABeneker@gop.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2025 2:02 PM
To: Lamanna, Isabelle <Isabelle.Lamanna@hq.doe.gov>
Cc: Naglieri, Trevor J. EOP/WHO (b) (6) >
Subject: Re: [External]RE: RNC Speaker Request

Hi Isabelle, feel free to call me at your convenience at (b) (6) . Thanks!

From: Lamanna, Isabelle <Isabelle.Lamanna@hq.doe.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2025 11:20 AM
To: Ali Beneker - Political <ABeneker@gop.com>
Cc: Naglieri, Trevor J. EOP/WHO <(b) (6) >
Subject: RE: [External]RE: RNC Speaker Request

Yes, that sounds great!

From: Ali Beneker - Political <ABeneker@gop.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2025 10:21 AM
To: Lamanna, Isabelle <Isabelle.Lamanna@hq.doe.gov>
Cc: Naglieri, Trevor J. EOP/WHO <(b) (6) >
Subject: Re: [External]RE: RNC Speaker Request

Hi Isabelle,

Would 2pm work today for a quick call?

Best,
 Ali

From: Ali Beneker - Political <ABeneker@gop.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2025 2:20 PM
To: Lamanna, Isabelle <Isabelle.Lamanna@hq.doe.gov>

Cc: Naglieri, Trevor J. EOP/WHO <(b) (6)>

Subject: Re: [External]RE: RNC Speaker Request

Hi Isabelle,

Thank you for the quick response. Would love to chat with you tomorrow, but here are the details of the specific event we're requesting in the meantime.

The Secretary was requested to be the keynote speaker for the New York State Conservative Party Annual State Dinner. Elise Stefanik is being presented with an award at this dinner, and they are asking the Secretary to be the keynote speaker for the event.

Historically, this event has had extremely high-profile speakers including President Trump, Kellyanne Conway, and other former Republican Presidents, Vice Presidents, and cabinet officials. The audience is around 200 donors and key stakeholders for New York conservatives. Additional details below.

Requestor: New York State Conservative Party

Event: NYSCP Annual State Dinner

Location: Union League Club; 38 East 37th Street, NY, NY 10016

Date: 6/18

Timing:

5:30 pm: VIP Reception with approx. 35 guests (short VIP click line if possible)

7:00 pm: Dinner begins with approx. 200 guests (keynote speech)

We can adjust the exact timing and details to fit the needs of the Secretary. Assuming you'll need to run this down with your ethics team, happy to answer any questions you have with the nature of the event/his remarks. Appreciate you looking into this!

Best,
Ali

From: Lamanna, Isabelle <Isabelle.Lamanna@hq.doe.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2025 1:01 PM

To: Ali Beneker - Political <ABeneker@gop.com>

Cc: Naglieri, Trevor J. EOP/WHO <(b) (6)>

Subject: [External]RE: RNC Speaker Request

Hi Ali!

It is great to e-meet you! Thank you so much for reaching out and I hope you are having a great week.

I have back to back meetings this afternoon but am available tomorrow after 12pm.

Do you have dates for these events yet?

Thank you and I look forward to talking with you soon.

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From: Ali Beneker - Political <ABeneker@gop.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2025 11:17 AM
To: Lamanna, Isabelle <Isabelle.Lamanna@hq.doe.gov>
Cc: Naglieri, Trevor J. EOP/WHO <(b) (6)>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RNC Speaker Request

Hi Isabelle,

I hope this email finds you well. I coordinate our surrogate/speaker operation here at the RNC — we've received a few requests for the Secretary to attend some of the more high-profile events as keynote speaker.

Wondering if you have time for a quick call today to discuss the Secretary's willingness/ability to attend one or two of these events? Shouldn't take more than ten minutes or so. I have availability this afternoon if you're able. Let me know, thank you!

Best,

Ali Beneker | (b) (6)
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Event Information Request Form

Thank you for your interest in hosting the U.S. Secretary of Energy at your event. To ensure that the appropriate individual within the Department of Energy is participating in your event and because the Office of the Secretary is committed to maintaining the highest ethical standards, we need the information requested below before we can agree to confirm a speaker.

Please respond to the questions below and send your response to the.secretary@hq.doe.gov.

If you have any questions you may contact the Secretary's Scheduling Office at 202-586-5534.

Title of the Event (please note if the event is a weekly, monthly, annual, etc.):	
Date of Event (please note if the date is flexible):	
Event Location (venue, address, city and state/country):	
Point(s) of Contact (Name, Email, Phone):	
Briefly describe the event in detail including the purpose and desired role of the Secretary (i.e. deliver keynote remarks, attend an event, meet with attendees etc.):	
Is the event a fundraiser? If yes, please explain who it is benefiting (i.e. specific charity, a political candidate, etc.):	
Audience	
Approximately how many people are expected to attend the event?	
Please describe the target audience of the event (elected officials, local community leaders, academics, industry representatives, public sector representatives, etc.).	
Will the attendees at the event include persons with a diversity of views or interests, or representatives from throughout an industry or profession, or the range of persons interested in a matter? (If yes, please describe.)	

Is the event open to the public (this includes ticketed individuals)? If not, please describe who is privately invited.	
Who are other VIPs or speakers <u>confirmed</u> and in what role?	
Who are other VIPs or speakers <u>invited</u> ?	
Remarks	
If you are requesting remarks, are there any specific issues you would like the Secretary to highlight/address in his remarks?	
What is the desired format of his remarks (will he be delivering the keynote, sharing the stage, participating in a panel or roundtable, etc.)?	
What is the public registration/ticket fee to attend/participate in the event?	
Will there be a teleprompter available? Will there be a podium?	
Communications/Press	
Is the event open or closed to press?	
If open, are you expecting local, state, or national news coverage?	
If this is an annual event, which news outlets typically cover the event?	
Will you be advertising or live streaming the event on any social media outlets or websites? (If yes, please explain.)	
Logistics/Other*	
If this invitation includes any gifts to the Secretary (e.g., waived registration/conference event fee; meals or refreshments; receptions or other entertainment; informational materials; award; transportation; memento or token of appreciation), please identify them and provide their monetary value. Please also identify how the value was determined. (Please attach separate sheet if necessary.)	
Does the invitation extend to the Secretary's spouse or other guest? If yes, will others in	

attendance generally be accompanied by a spouse or other guest?	
Will the Secretary be asked to sign a speaking/participation agreement or release related to this event? If so, please provide a copy.	
If the Secretary is not able to attend, is a surrogate desired? If yes, anyone specific?	
Any additional notes or information?	
Event Host and Sponsor	
Who is the <u>event host</u> ? (Please identify and provide background on the Event host as well as any other organization involved in the Event.)	
<u>Event host</u> website/url.	
Is the <u>event host</u> a registered lobbyist or lobbying organization, and/or registered under the Foreign Agents Registration Act? (If yes, please identify.)	
Is the <u>event host</u> a partisan political candidate, a representative of a political party or a registered political action committee (PAC)? (If yes, please identify.)	
Is the <u>event host</u> a 501(c)(3) organization or a media organization? (If yes, please identify.)	
Is the <u>event host</u> seeking or currently have any business interests with the Department such as permits, contracts, litigation, grants, etc.? (If yes, please describe.)	
Who are the <u>sponsors</u> of the event? Please identify and provide background information on the individual and/or entity.	
Are any event <u>sponsors</u> seeking or do they currently have any business interests with the Department such as permits, contracts, litigation, grants, etc.? (If yes, please describe.)	
With which Bureau or Agency does your agenda most align? Please list all, if more than one.	
Partisan Political Candidate or Elected Official Participation	

Will any partisan political candidate or elected official participate in the event? If so, please identify and explain role.	
Is the coordination of any elected official's involvement being handled solely by their official staff, or is there any campaign staff involvement or coordination?	
If a candidate for office or elected official is participating in the event, is the event taking place in their respective district/jurisdiction, and will the entire delegation for the respective district/jurisdiction(s) been invited? If not, please explain.	

***IMPORTANT NOTE: The purpose of these questions is to elicit information relevant to the ethics analysis and is not a solicitation or request for anything of value by the Department or any of its employees.**