

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES
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Hearing by the Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs on H.R. 1234 and H.R. 1291
Tuesday, July 12, 2011, 11 AM

For Individuals:

1. Name:

2. Address:

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4. Phone Number:

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For Witnesses Representing Organizations:

1. Name:
Cheryl A. Schmit

2. Name of Organization(s) You are Representing at the Hearing:
Stand Up for California

3. Business Address:
7911 Logan Lane, Penryn, CA. 95663

4. Business Email Address:
[Information redacted for privacy]

5. Business Phone Number:
916-663-3207

Name/Organization _____

Title/Date of Hearing _____

a. Any training or educational certificates, diplomas or degrees or other educational experiences that are relevant to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing.

BA Sociology, California State University at Fullerton

b. Any professional licenses, certifications, or affiliations held that are relevant to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing.

No.

c. Any employment, occupation, ownership in a firm or business, or work-related experiences that relate to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing.

No.

d. Any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) from the *Department of the Interior (and /or other agencies invited)* that you have received in the current year and previous four years, including the source and the amount of each grant or contract.

No.

e. A list of all lawsuits or petitions filed by you against the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit or petition, the subject matter of the lawsuit or petition, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits or petitions were filed.

No.

f. Any other information you wish to convey that might aid the Members of the Committee to better understand the context of your testimony.

Attached Bio of Cheryl Schmit

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In addition, for witnesses representing organizations:

g. Any offices, elected positions, or representational capacity held in the organization(s) on whose behalf you are testifying.

No.

h. Any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) from the Department of the Interior (and /or other agencies invited) that were received in the current year and previous four years by the organization(s) you represent at this hearing, including the source and amount of each grant or contract for each of the organization(s).

No.

i. A list of all lawsuits or petitions filed by the organization(s) you represent at the hearing against the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit or petition, the subject matter of the lawsuit or petition, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits or petitions were filed for each of the organization(s).

None.

j. A list of any countries from which the organization(s) you represent at the hearing have received foreign donations and the total amount of donations received from each country, for the current year and the previous four years, by each organization.

None

k. For tax-exempt organizations and non-profit organizations, copies of the three most recent public IRS Form 990s (including Form 990-PF, Form 990-N, and Form 990-EZ) for each of the organization(s) you represent at the hearing (not including any contributor names and addresses or any information withheld from public inspection by the Secretary of the Treasury under 26 U.S.C. 6104)).

Attached.

Cheryl A. Schmit
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standupca.org

Cheryl A. Schmit is founder and Director of Stand Up For California and has been involved with issues associated with Indian gaming for many years. Ms. Schmit frequently serves as a resource to policymakers and elected officials at the local, state and national levels. Stand Up For California is the preeminent organization in California giving voice to community groups, local representatives, members of law enforcement and individual supporters addressing the complex issues created by tribal gaming and tribal sovereignty.

She became interested in the controversial debate over tribal gaming and Indian sovereignty when a restored tribal government attempted to establish a new reservation in her community. Ms Schmit is an innovative, energetic professional with a strong communication and leadership background. She brings more than 16 years experience in organization building, grassroots efforts and network building. Ms. Schmit is a flexible team player with ability to synthesize complex information and present powerful ideas and themes to enhance the operation of a statewide organization.

Ms. Schmit's activism includes participation in speaking engagements to other grassroots organizations, neighborhood meetings, and church groups in addition to various County Boards of Supervisors and the California Gambling Control Commission, as well as testimony at both State Senate and Assembly hearings. Ms. Schmit has presented oral testimony before both the House Resources Committee and the Senate Indian Affairs Committee of the U. S. Congress. In 2004 she was a co-director for Governor Schwarzenegger on Proposition 68 opposing slot machines in urban areas and Proposition 70 which allowed tribal gaming to expand without mitigating environmental impacts. She has worked with Capitol Focus to provide information to the high school program on California gambling issues. Ms Schmit has been recently appointed at the pleasure of the Placer County Board of Supervisors to serve on the County Tribal Advisory Committee developed to allow the voice of the public in the on-going developments of the United Auburn Indian Community's Thunder Valley Casino.

Ms. Schmit shares the results of research and freely helps to educate citizens by offering an examination of news articles, periodicals, and Internet information. Particular expertise includes issues associated with the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, 25 U.S.C. § 2701, et seq. ("IGRA") and the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552. Using these laws effectively in requests for background information specifically on tribal gaming and card room operations, she has compiled extensive records on court cases and administrative rulings on gaming and issues associated with tribal sovereignty.

Public appearances include: First Statewide Conference on Gambling Issue in California, League of California Cities, American Association of Retired Persons, American Civil Liberties Union, American Bar Association, National Legislators of Gambling States, Claremont Mc Kinna

College School of Government, First Amendment Coalition, California State Association of Counties, panelist on tribal gaming for the California Society of News Editors Annual Conference and Town Hall Meetings in Placerville, Santa Ynez, Rohnert Park, Marysville, San Bernardino, Barstow, Hesperia, Palm Springs, Coachella, Sonoma County, Tulare County, Butte County, Yuba County, Amador County and many others. Ms Schmit has been a participant in the tribal gaming working group of the California District Attorneys Association, Presenter on tribal gaming issues at the 83rd Conference of the California Peace Officers Association, National Conference against the Expansion of Legalize Gambling in Washington, D.C., National Impact Study on Gambling, New York Citizens, and Ohio Senate Legislative Leadership on tax implications by tribal governments.

Civic involvement is an important part of Ms Schmit's life. She is active in her community government and has served in volunteer positions in area soccer leagues, as an elementary school librarian and Placer Citizens for Community Rights. Ms. Schmit has organized and hosted local government conferences in Sacramento to inform local government statewide of the unintended consequences of tribal gaming expansion.

Education:

B.A. in Sociology
California State University, Fullerton

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d/b/a:

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D Employer
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Number
80-0055582

F Name of Principal Officer: Cheryl A Schmit

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