Pacific Legal Foundation

While most of the Pacific Legal Fund’s (PLF) contributors are unknown, several major conservative funders have reported contributions to them, including the Koch Network, the Exxon/Mobil Foundation, the Adolf Coors Foundation, Dunn’s Foundation for the Advancement of Right Thinking, and the Sarah Scaife Foundation.

Just a Few of the Pacific Legal Fund’s Ultra Conservative and Corporate Donors...

The organizations that give PLF money have a history of donating to groups that advocate for extreme pro-business and conservative views. For example, the Union of Concerned Scientists has highlighted ten organizations as “Global Warming Skeptics”. The conservative foundations that support PLF’s work were also the key funders for each of the groups that the Union of Concerned Scientists identified as having a history of denying the existence of-or undermining demonstrable evidence for- climate change.

The same foundations that contributed money to the Pacific Legal Fund donated a whopping $193 million dollars to nonprofit organizations who advocate against global warming. PLF’s funders clearly wish to pollute the public debate with misinformation about environmental issues. The PLF and its ultra conservative and corporate donors want the same thing- to amplify a message that puts the interests of big business first and gives little thought to what will happen to America’s treasured natural places.

2 Calculated using all IRS 990 nonprofit tax forms available for the organizations identified as global warming skeptics by the Union of Concerned Scientists. 990 IRS data includes contributions from 1985 to 2014 and was tabulated by conservativetransparency.org/.