

**COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES**  
**114<sup>th</sup> Congress Disclosure Form**  
**As required by and provided for in House Rule XI, clause 2(g)(5)**

Hearing on a discussion draft titled the "*National Energy Security Corridors Act.*"

May 20, 2015

**For Individuals:**

Name:  
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**For Witnesses Representing Organizations:**

Name: Gregory Buppert  
Name of Organization(s) You are Representing at the Hearing: Southern Environmental Law Center  
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Business Phone Number: [REDACTED]

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**For Nongovernment Witnesses ONLY:**

1. Please attach/include current curriculum vitae or resume.
2. Please list any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) related to the subject matter of the hearing that were received in the current year and previous two calendar years by you or the organization(s) you represent at this hearing, including the source and amount of each grant or contract.

None.

3. Please list any contracts or payments originating with a foreign government related to the subject matter of the hearing that were received in the current year and previous two calendar years by you or the organization(s) you represent at this hearing, including the amount and country of origin of each contract or payment.

None.

# Gregory Doran Buppert

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **Southern Environmental Law Center, Senior Attorney (8/2013 – present)**

Charlottesville, VA

- Senior attorney representing local conservation organizations in Virginia.
- Responsible for all aspects of advocacy and case management.
- Areas of expertise: local authority to regulate natural gas drilling in Virginia, interstate pipeline development, coal ash storage, and litigation.

### **Defenders of Wildlife, Staff Attorney (9/2010 – 7/2013)**

Washington, DC

- Lead counsel representing Defenders of Wildlife in litigation aimed at protecting imperiled species and their habitats and promoting the importance of the federal public lands for wildlife conservation.
- Responsible for all components of federal court litigation including investigating and developing cases, conducting legal and factual research, coordinating expert witnesses, and preparing pleadings, motions, and briefs.
- Serve as an *ad hoc* general counsel to the Defenders of Wildlife organization. Draft and review contracts, assist with probate-related matters, and communicate with outside counsel regarding non-wildlife litigation.
- Areas of expertise: the Endangered Species Act, the National Environmental Protection Act, civil procedure, public lands management, renewable energy project siting, and impacts of surface coal mining on endangered species.

### **Dodson Parker Behm & Capparella, P.C., Associate Attorney (1/2006 – 8/2010)**

Nashville, TN

- Practice areas focused on business and corporate law, transactions, litigation, and appeals.
- Counseled individuals, start-ups, established businesses, municipal agencies, and non-profit organizations regarding corporate governance, transactions, liability, and litigation.
- Litigated in Tennessee state and federal courts. Drafted precise written discovery, conducted depositions, prepared witnesses, wrote and argued motions and responses, and conducted trials.
- Notable reported cases: co-counsel for the amicus parties in *State v. Labiere-Hill, LLC*, 278 S.W.3d 745 (Tenn. Ct. App. 2008); co-counsel for defendant AllParts Medical in *ReMedPar, Inc. v. AllParts Medical, LLC*, 683 F. Supp. 2d 605 (M.D. Tenn. 2010).
- Pursued a professional interest in personal injury and property tort cases and developed an environmental law practice for the firm.

## EDUCATION

### **George Washington University Law School, Juris Doctor (5/2005)**

Washington, DC

- Designed and pursued independent legal research projects on federal and state laws affecting forestlands.

### **Duke University, Nicholas School of the Environment, Master of Environmental Management (5/2000)**

Durham, NC

- Doris Duke Conservation Fellow. Awarded two-year fellowship in recognition of leadership in conservation.
- Evaluated sustainable forestry alternatives for big-leaf mahogany in Belize for thesis research.

### **Bowdoin College, Bachelor of Arts (5/1994)**

Brunswick, ME

- Graduated *magna cum laude* with High Honors in Geology; minor in English.
- James Bowdoin Scholar.
- Surdna Undergraduate Research Fellow.

## BAR MEMBERSHIPS, COURT ADMISSIONS & PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Licensed in Tennessee, Washington, DC, and Virginia.
- Admitted in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Virginia, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee, the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.
- Member of the Virginia State Bar.