

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES
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Committee on Natural Resources oversight hearing titled
“The Weaponization of the National Environmental Policy Act and the Implications of Environmental Lawfare”

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For Nongovernment Witnesses ONLY:

1. Please attach/include current curriculum vitae or resume.

BA: Lafayette College, Easton, PA (1974)

JD: Rutgers Camden School of Law, Camden, NJ (1977)

LLM: George Washington University Law School (1989)

1978-1992: Attorney – U.S. Army Judge Advocate General’s Corps

1992-1999: Attorney Advisor – U.S. Coast Guard Environmental Law Division

1999-2015: Associate Director for NEPA Oversight – Council on Environmental Quality

I have been working with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other environmental reviews and permits for almost thirty years.

My first experience with NEPA came at the end of my fourteen-plus year military career when, after receiving my LL.M. in Environmental Law from George Washington University, I was one of the first members of the US Army Environmental Law Division. I worked on environmental reviews and permits involving desert training operations, installation development and expansion, and base closure and realignment. After leaving active military service, I entered the Federal workforce as one of five “plank holders” that stood up the Coast Guard Environmental Law Division in 1992. At the Coast Guard, my work focused on environmental reviews and permits involving matters including the disposition of Governor’s Island, and the operation of Coast Guard vessels along the Atlantic coast. While at USCG Headquarters, I served a detail to the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) during the President George H.W. Bush administration.

Several years later, in November 1999, I became Associate Director for National Environmental Policy Act Oversight at CEQ, overseeing the Federal government’s implementation of NEPA. As Associate Director, in addition to issuing guidance and providing direction on implementing NEPA and the CEQ NEPA Regulations, I worked with Federal Agencies to establish or revise their agency-specific NEPA implementing procedures. Further, I joined them in working through the challenges they faced when implementing those

procedures for all manner of Federal decisions (e.g., pipelines, transmission lines, bridges, water treatment facilities, military relocations, nuclear material storage, and land management policies and plans). My role as Associate Director provided numerous opportunities to work with proponents of energy and infrastructure development and the private sector companies and individuals seeking Federal reviews and permits (e.g., drilling, mining, and grazing permits or other approvals such as certifications or licenses). Another aspect of the job focused on working with Federal, Tribal, State, and local officials, including Mayors, County Commissioners, Governors, Tribal Councils, and local citizens that sought a greater voice in how the Federal environmental reviews and permits impacted their activities and lives, either as formal partners in the NEPA process or in providing comments on a NEPA review.

I retired from federal service and CEQ on December 31, 2015 and from the practice of law in 2016.

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