

Senate Democratic Policy Committee Hearing

“Contracting Abuses in Iraq”

Witness Biographies

TIMOTHY MILLS

Patton Boggs

Timothy Mills is a partner in the Washington office of Patton Boggs, practicing in the firm's government contracts and litigation practice groups. He is also the Senior Principal Partner in the firm's Iraq Reconstruction Practice, where he represents foreign and domestic companies that have been seeking contracting opportunities in Iraq; Mr. Mills also represents businesses currently doing business in Iraq. In this capacity, he has spent significant amounts of time in Iraq over the last several months.

Before joining Patton Boggs in 1990, Mr. Mills practiced federal, state and local procurement law in Washington. Mr. Mills has expertise in large-scale, complex civil and criminal cases arising out of public contracts, grants and commercial contracting relationships.

He has served in the United States Army (on active duty and in the Army Reserve) for over 25 years, including, most recently, as a Command Judge Advocate of an Army Reserve headquarters.

Mr. Mills was appointed to the faculty of the American Bar Association (ABA) Procurement Law Institute, and is a member of the ABA Public Contract Law and the Criminal Justice Sections. He chaired the Federal Bar Association Procurement Ethics Subcommittee from 1993 through 1995, and has co-authored a treatise on the law of executive and governmental privileges.

Mr. Mills was law clerk to the Honorable John S. Rhoades, United States District Judge for the Southern District of California. He received his B.A. and M.A. from the University of California, Santa Cruz, and his J.D. from the University of California, Hastings College of Law (San Francisco).

MELANIE SLOAN

Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington

Melanie Sloan is the Executive Director of Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington (“CREW”), a non-partisan government watchdog and legal action group working to ensure integrity among public officials. She previously served as an Assistant United States Attorney in the District of Columbia. Before becoming a prosecutor, Ms. Sloan served as Minority Counsel

on the Judiciary Committee in the U.S. House of Representatives from 1995 to 1998, where she worked for the Honorable John Conyers, the ranking member of the Committee, and specialized in criminal enforcement issues, including the Independent Counsel law.

In 1994, Ms. Sloan served as Counsel for the Crime Subcommittee of the House Judiciary Committee. In 1993, she served as Nominations Counsel at the Senate Judiciary Committee. Ms. Sloan practiced law with firms in Washington, D.C. and Los Angeles before working on Capitol Hill.

She received her undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Chicago and has published in the *Yale Law and Policy Review*, the *Legal Times*, and the *Washington Post*.

STEVEN SCHOONER

George Washington University Law School

Steven Schooner is Associate Professor of Law and Co-Director of the Government Procurement Law Program at George Washington University Law School. Before joining the faculty, Professor Schooner was the Associate Administrator for Procurement Law and Legislation at the Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP) in the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

Professor Schooner previously served as a trial and appellate attorney in the Commercial Litigation Branch of the Department of Justice. He also has practiced with private law firms and, as an Active Duty Army Judge Advocate, served as a Commissioner at the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals. As an Army Reserve officer, he is an Adjunct Professor in the Contract and Fiscal Law Department of the Judge Advocate General's School of the Army, in Charlottesville, Virginia.

Professor Schooner received his bachelors degree from Rice University, Juris Doctor from the College of William and Mary, and Master of Laws (with highest honors) from George Washington University. He is a Fellow of the National Contract Management Association (NCMA), a member of the NCMA Board of Advisors, and a Certified Professional Contracts Manager (CPCM).

Professor Schooner is the Faculty Advisor to the American Bar Association's *Public Contract Law Journal*. He is a member of the Editorial Board of the U.K.-based *Public Procurement Law Review* and a member of the Government Contractor Advisory Board. He is the co-author of *The Government Contracts Reference Book: A Comprehensive Guide To The Language of Procurement*.

CHELLIE PINGREE

Common Cause

Chellie Pingree is President and CEO of Common Cause. Ms. Pingree previously served in the Maine State Senate and was elected Maine's second female Senate Majority Leader in 1996. She was the recipient of many awards for her approach to problem-solving as a legislator, including: the Economic Development Council of Maine Legislator of the Year Award (1994), the *Maine Times* Newspaper Poll Favorite Legislator (1995), and the Consumer Health Advocate of the Year by Families USA (2001).

Ms. Pingree has been involved in numerous international initiatives, including her work with women in politics and business in Hungary as an Eisenhower Fellow in 1997. She also served as a White House observer of the 1998 Bosnia Elections, and has done work in India with the Global Peace Initiative.

Prior to serving in the state legislature, Ms. Pingree was active in the island community of North Haven, Maine. Besides serving in local office, including chair of the local school board, she founded and chaired the North Haven Arts and Enrichment Association, supporting arts in the community and schools. Their production "Islands," was performed on Broadway and recently documented on PBS. In 1995, she co-authored the book, *Sustaining Island Economies*, which serves as a guide to Maine's 14 year-round islands.