



Peter E. Weber

Fresno, California

Mr. Weber is a retired corporate executive, having served as Vice-President of FMC Corporation, President and CEO of TeKnowledge, Inc., and President and CEO of Riverbend International. Mr. Weber retired in 2001 to dedicate himself to community and economic development activities in the San Joaquin Valley and to California governance reform.

Mr. Weber is the founder of the Fresno Bridge Academy, which was recently selected by the U.S. Department of Agriculture as one of ten national pilot programs aimed at increasing income and self-reliance of families eligible for food stamps. His work on the Fresno Bridge Academy led to a James Irvine Foundation Leadership Award “*for creative and inspirational leadership benefitting the people of California*”.

Mr. Weber serves as co-chair of California Forward, a non-partisan organization of prominent Californians working on California Governance reform issues, including political reform, fiscal reform and economic reform.

Mr. Weber is co-convenor of the California Water Fix Coalition and a member of The President’s Commission on the Future of Agriculture at Fresno State. He has previously served on the boards of the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley, the Fresno Regional Jobs Initiative, the Fresno Citizen Corp, the Fresno Business Council, Fresno Citizens for Good Government, Friends of the San Joaquin Valley, the Lyles Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship, the Stanford Institute for Manufacturing Innovation, the San Jose Museum of Art and the Council of the Americas.

Peter was an advisor to former Mayor Alan Autry, having produced the 2002 strategic plan “Meeting the Challenge” for the City of Fresno, currently serves as an advisor to Mayor Ashley Swearengin on a wide range of issues, and served as Co-Chair of the Superintendent’s Advisory Task Force for the Fresno Unified School District, having authored the District’s turn-around plan, “Choosing our Future”.

A native of Peru, Peter attended Oakland High School as a foreign exchange student, received a B.S. degree in Industrial Engineering from U.C. Berkeley, and graduated from the Executive Program of the Stanford University Business School. Mr. Weber, his wife Laurie, their two children and their families all reside in Fresno.

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Information Required From Nongovernmental Witnesses**

House rules require nongovernmental witnesses to provide their resume or biographical sketch prior to testifying. If you do not have a resume or biographical sketch available, please complete this form.

1. Name: **Peter E. Weber**
2. Organization you represent: **Fresno Bridge Academy, a program of Reading and Beyond.**
3. Please list any occupational, employment, or work-related experience you have which add to your qualification to provide testimony before the Committee:

Retired CEO of two California companies; former VP of a Fortune 500 Corporation; Serve on many non-profit boards; Founder and Chair of the Fresno Bridge Academy; co-chair Steering Committee of Family Success Zone; co-chair of California Forward.

4. Please list any special training, education, or professional experience you have which add to your qualifications to provide testimony before the Committee:
Graduate of U.C. Berkeley (Engineering) and Stanford Business School (Stanford Executive Program); Advisor to the current and former mayor of Fresno on community development and economic development issues; Winner of 2016 James Irvine Leader Award for work on Fresno Bridge Academy.
5. If you are appearing on behalf of an organization, please list the capacity in which you are representing that organization, including any offices or elected positions you hold:
Appearing on behalf of the Fresno Bridge Academy (Founder and Chairman).

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