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The American Sugar Alliance is the national coalition of growers, processors, and refiners of sugarbeets and sugarcane. Roney has been with ASA since 1996 and represents ASA on matters of domestic and trade policy. He has testified at numerous Congressional and Executive Branch hearings, spoken at many international conferences, and appeared frequently on television and radio programs on behalf of American sugar producers. He has served as chairman of the Agricultural Technical Advisory Committee for Trade in Sweeteners and Sweetener Products, a private sector trade policy advisory group formed by the U.S. government, and as president of the Sugar Club, an international industry group based in New York City.

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