

**House Committee on Appropriations
Subcommittee on Labor, Health & Human Services,
Education and Related Services**

Witness Disclosure Form

Clause 2(g) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives requires non-governmental witnesses to disclose to the Committee the following information, in addition to a C.V., as part of the written statement of prepared testimony submitted in advance of their appearance. A non-governmental witness is any witness appearing on behalf of himself/herself or on behalf of an organization other than a federal agency, or a state, local or tribal government.

Your Name, Title, Organization, Business Address, and Telephone Number:

**Mary Reese, VOR Board Member; Member, Legislative Committee
VOR, Speaking out for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities**



1. Are you appearing on behalf of yourself or a non-governmental organization? Please list organization(s) you are representing.

**I will be representing a non-governmental organization:
VOR, Speaking out for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.**

2. Have you or any organization you are representing received any Federal grants or contracts (including any subgrants or subcontracts) since October 1, 2010?

Yes **X** No

3. If your response to question #2 is "Yes", please list the amount and source (by agency and program) of each grant or contract, and indicate whether the recipient of such grant or contract was you or the organization(s) you are representing.

N/A

Signature:



Date: March 7, 2013

Mary Reese
VOR Board Member
Member, VOR Legislative Committee

Mary has over 50 years' experience serving on nonprofit county and state boards, and on committees representing individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) and in leadership capacities encouraging volunteerism. She is the former Volunteer Services Director of a Maryland ICF/ID and the former Executive Director of Prince George's County Volunteer Center.

In 2012, Mary was elected to the Board of Directors for VOR, a national organization advocating for high quality care and human rights for all people with I/DD. Mary's advocacy is motivated by her step-daughter, Virginia, who has profound I/DD and medical challenges. Mary is Virginia's legal guardian and for years worked tirelessly to ensure adequate community supports while seeking admission to a state operated ICF/ID.

Recently, after a legal fight over many years, Mary secured placement at Holly Center for Virginia. Her story is featured on VOR's website (<http://vor.net/images/VirginiasStory.pdf>) and was recently the topic of WBAL 11 I Team report (<http://www.wbaltv.com/news/maryland/i-team/Caretaker-fights-state-to-get-disabled-woman-needed-care/-/10640252/19003378/-/item/0/-/npe49ez/-/index.html>).

Mary resides in Rockville, Maryland.