

Committee on Energy and Commerce
U.S. House of Representatives

Witness Disclosure Requirement - "Truth in Testimony"
Required by House Rule XI, Clause 2(g)(5)

1. Your Name: Steven B. Stenersen		
2. Your Title: CEO		
3. The Entity(ies) You are Representing: US Lacrosse		
4. Are you testifying on behalf of the Federal, or a State or local government entity?	Yes	No X
5. Please list any Federal grants or contracts, or contracts or payments originating with a foreign government, that you or the entity(ies) you represent have received on or after January 1, 2013. Only grants, contracts, or payments related to the subject matter of the hearing must be listed.		
6. Please attach your curriculum vitae to your completed disclosure form.		

Signature:



Date:

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Steve Stenersen Bio:

Steve Stenersen has been a guiding force behind the national and international development of lacrosse for thirty years. He has served as executive director and, now, president and CEO of US Lacrosse since 1998, and the organization continues to lead the sport through unprecedented growth.

In 1984, Stenersen became the executive director of the Lacrosse Foundation. He led the transformation of the organization, which dated to 1959, by increasing membership by 700 percent to over 17,000 members. He also led the creation of a national network of chapters to unify development efforts in areas throughout the country, and supervised fundraising and construction of the first national headquarters for the sport in 1991, as well as a subsequent facility expansion in 1997. In the mid-90s, he played a leading role in the merger of eight national lacrosse organizations to form the sport's first national governing body. The result of those efforts was the creation of US Lacrosse, which began operations on Jan. 1, 1998. The organization has since invested more than \$150 million into the sport's national development. US Lacrosse has more than 430,000 members in 68 regional chapters throughout 45 states.

As the chief staff executive for US Lacrosse, Stenersen reports to the organization's 25-member national Board of Directors, which sets organizational policy and strategic direction. He also serves as the chief staff liaison to the US Lacrosse Foundation, an independent nonprofit organization governed by a 27-member Board of Directors, the mission of which is to provide additional financial resources to support US Lacrosse operations.

US Lacrosse provides national structure and leadership for the sport and offers comprehensive resources focused on sustaining positive growth. The organization has a staff of 83 at its national headquarters in Baltimore and engages hundreds of leadership volunteers throughout the country at board, committee and subcommittee levels. Stenersen is now leading efforts to fund and construct a 45,000-square-foot National Lacrosse Center, which will serve as the organization's new headquarters and the national training center for US Teams. The facility will also incorporate the Lacrosse Museum and National Hall of Fame.

Stenersen has traveling extensively throughout the United States and visited more than 20 nations on five continents to support lacrosse development efforts. From 1993 to 2003, he chaired the International Lacrosse Development Committee, a joint committee of the International Lacrosse Federation (ILF) and the International Federation of Women's Lacrosse Associations (IFWLA). In that role, he led initiatives focused on expanding the sport throughout the world. Stenersen also served on an eight-person committee that led the unification of these two international federations, which culminated in the formation of the Federation of International Lacrosse (FIL) in 2008. The FIL has 50 member nations on six continents, and is

coordinating and supporting lacrosse development efforts in a number of nations. Stenersen serves as the United States' delegate to the FIL and was elected as the FIL's Vice President in 2014.

A Baltimore native, Stenersen played college lacrosse at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he was a member of two national championship teams, including his senior season when he was a team captain. Stenersen continued his playing career after college with the Mt. Washington Club. Stenersen has a B.A. in Journalism from the University in North Carolina and also attended the University of Baltimore for graduate study in Publication Design.

Stenersen has received recognition for his contributions to the sport on a number of occasions, including the Mt. Washington Cup (1986), the Krongard Trophy (1990), the Vail Lacrosse Shootout 25th Anniversary Award (1997), the Bernie Ulman Award (1998), the International Lacrosse Development Award (2005) and the Fellowship of Christian Athlete's Peter Kohn Award (2014). In 2008, he was recognized by Sports Events magazine as one of the top 25 innovators and influencers in the sports industry. Stenersen has been inducted into St. Paul's Athletic Hall of Fame (2008), the Greater Baltimore Chapter of US Lacrosse Hall of Fame (2009), and the North Carolina Chapter of US Lacrosse Hall of Fame (2014). He received the St. Paul's School Outstanding Alumnus Award (2010) and a Smart CEO Magazine Future 50 Award (2014).

Steve was the past president (2013 – 2014) of the Board of The Baltimore Station, a residential addiction recovery program that serves veterans transitioning from the cycle of poverty, substance abuse and homelessness to self-sufficiency. He is a member of the National Sports Concussion Coalition (NSCA) Board, the Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA) National Advisory Board, the Association of Chief Executives of Sport (ACES) Board, and the Tewaaron Foundation Board. He has represented US Lacrosse on numerous task forces and working groups across sport, including the United States Olympic Committee Working Group for Safe Training Environments (2010). Steve is also a member of St. Paul's School Board of Trustees and a graduate of the Greater Baltimore Committee Leadership Program (2012).

Steve and his wife, Garvey, have two children, Audrey and Cole. The family resides in Butler, MD.