

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### CONTACT INFORMATION

Tom Neltner, National Director, Unleaded Kids  
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### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**UNLEADED KIDS**, Silver Spring, MD Dec. 2023–Present

*Founder and National Director* of a new nonprofit, public interest organization committed to reducing children's exposure to all sources of lead, including our homes, food, drinking water, environment, as well as the products we buy. Prioritizing the protection of the hardest hit communities and promoting environmental justice, Unleaded Kids collaborates with businesses, elected officials, advocacy groups, health professionals, government agencies, journalists, community-based organizations, and individuals to identify, address, and close major gaps in lead policy and practices in the United States.

**ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE FUND**, Washington, DC 2015–Dec. 2023

- *Senior Director, Safer Chemicals* leading EDF's Safer Chemicals initiative, focused on removing or minimizing hazardous chemicals from products and the marketplace through cross-cutting policy initiatives.
- *Chemicals Policy Director* leading EDF's effort to remove or minimize hazardous chemicals from products and the marketplace through cross-cutting policy initiatives. The work focused on 1) reducing lead exposure from all sources with emphasis on drinking water and food, and 2) ensuring chemicals in food are safe.

**NATIONAL CENTER FOR HEALTHY HOUSING**, Columbia, MD 2014–2015

*Senior Advisor on Regulatory Affairs* providing technical and policy support to the executive director regarding federal, state, and local laws, codes, and regulations, including promoting adoption of the Center's National Healthy Housing Standard released by the Center and the American Public Health Association in 2014.

**CHEMICAL RISK CONSULTANT**, Silver Spring, MD 2014–2015

*Subject Matter Expert* supporting a variety of public interest and industry groups regarding the risks of chemicals added to food including developing regulatory and communication strategies to reduce those risks.

**NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL**, Washington, DC 2013–2014

*Senior Attorney* for the Chemicals in Food Project promoting stronger federal laws, regulations, and policies to enable the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to more effectively ensure the safety of new and existing chemicals added to food or found as contaminants in food.

**THE PEW CHARITABLE TRUSTS**, Washington DC 2010–2013

*Project Director* of the Food Additives Project conducting a comprehensive assessment of FDA's food additive regulatory program and developing policy recommendations to address problems found through this review.

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**NATIONAL CENTER FOR HEALTHY HOUSING**, Columbia, MD 2005–2010  
*Director of Training and Education* for a nonprofit developing and promoting practical methods to protect children from environmental health hazards in their homes while preserving affordable housing with funding from U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

**SIERRA CLUB**, Silver Spring, MD 2005–2010  
*Pro Bono Litigator and Volunteer Co-Chair* of National Toxics Committee advocating for policies to protect the public and the environment from exposure to toxic chemicals.

**IMPROVING KIDS' ENVIRONMENT**, Indianapolis, IN 1999–2005  
*Founder and Executive Director* of nonprofit, children's environmental health advocacy coalition, directing education, legislative, and policy programs to reduce environmental threats to children.

**INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**, Indianapolis, IN 1993–1999  
*Assistant Commissioner* of the Office of Pollution Prevention and Technical Assistance promoting pollution prevention, source reduction and recycling, household hazardous waste collection, environmental education, and small business compliance and technical assistance, and coordinating the agency's Children's Health Initiative.

**INDIANA UNIVERSITY**, Bloomington, IN 1992-1994 and 2000–2003  
*Adjunct Professor* for School of Public and Environmental Affairs teaching graduate and undergraduate courses on solid and hazardous waste management, hazardous substance control, air pollution control, environmental management, and environmental technology.

**ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE**, Indianapolis, IN 1990–1993  
*Co-founder, Vice President, and Regulatory Compliance Instructor* for nonprofit affiliated with Indiana University providing comprehensive environmental and chemical safety training including chemical emergency response, hazardous waste management, and asbestos remediation. Developed and taught more than 35 different courses, including 180 eight-hour days, to more than 4,000 students in one year.

**INDIANAPOLIS CENTER FOR ADVANCED RESEARCH**, Indianapolis, IN 1988–1990  
*Environmental Scientist* responsible for training and regulatory policy development for legislative and rulemaking policy analysis negotiations, generally on behalf of industry in Indiana.

**ELI LILLY AND COMPANY**, Indianapolis and Lafayette, IN 1982–1988  
*Environmental Engineer* in corporate environmental affairs.

- *Process Engineer* in insulin production with responsibilities for safety and environmental compliance.
- *Plant Engineer* in large manufacturing plant.

**DOW CORNING**, Carrollton, KY 1979–1981  
*Coop Engineer* in process and plant engineering at chemical plant making silicone products.

## TRAINING AND EDUCATION

**DOCTOR OF JURISPRUDENCE**, Indiana University School of Law, Indianapolis, IN, cum laude, 1987

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CHEMICAL ENGINEERING**, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH, cum laude, 1982

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Baehler KJ, McGraw M, Aquino MJ, Heslin R, McCormick L, Neltner T. Full Lead Service Line Replacement: A Case Study of Equity in Environmental Remediation. *Sustainability*. 2022; 14(1):352.
- Neltner, Lovell, McCormick, Lead Pipes and Environmental Justice – A study of lead pipe replacement in Washington, DC, 2020.
- Hiltner S, Romero-Canyas R, McCormick L, Neltner T., Using online tools to publicize lead service line locations and promote replacement. *AWWA Wat Sci*. 2019; e1124, 2019.
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- Maffini, M.V., Neltner, T.G., Vogel S., We Are What We Eat: Regulatory Gaps in the United States that Put our Health at Risk, *PLOS Biology* 15: e2003578, doi.org/10.1371/journal.pbio.2003578, 2017.
- J.O'Reilly and T.G. Neltner, When Products Kill: Litigation & Regulatory Responses, *American Bar Association Press*, ISBN 978-1-63425-659-9, 2016.
- Maffini, M.V., Trasande, L., and Neltner, T.G., Perchlorate and Diet: Human Exposures, Risks, and Mitigation Strategies, *Current Environmental Health Reports* 3:107-17, doi: 10.1007/s40572-016-0090-3, 2016.
- Leonard and Robinson, Managing Hazardous Materials: A Definitive Text, (Author of Chapter 8 on Legal Liabilities), *Institute of Hazardous Materials Management*, 2015.
- Maffini, M.V. and Neltner, T.G., Brain Drain: The Cost of Neglected Responsibilities in Evaluating Cumulative Effects of Environmental Chemicals, *Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health*, 10.1136/jech-2014-203980, 2014.
- Natural Resources Defense Council, Generally Recognized as Secret: Chemicals Added to Food in the United States, 2014.
- The Pew Charitable Trusts, Fixing the Oversight of Chemicals Added to Our Food – Findings and Recommendations of Pew's Assessment of the U.S. Food Additives Program, 2013.
- Neltner, T. G, Alger, H.M., Leonard, J.E., and Maffini, M.V., Data Gaps in Toxicity Testing of Chemicals Allowed in Food in the United States, *Reproductive Toxicology*, 42: 85– 94, 2013.
- Neltner, T.G., Alger, H. M., O'Reilly, J.T., Krimsky, S. , Bero, L.A., and Maffini, M. V., Conflicts of Interest in Approvals of Additives to Food Determined to be Generally Recognized as Safe: Out of Balance, *JAMA Intern Med.*, 173(22):2032-2036, 2013.
- Maffini, M. V., Alger, H. M., Olson, E. D., and Neltner, T. G., Looking Back to Look Forward: A Review of FDA's Food Additives Safety Assessment and Recommendations for Modernizing its Program, *Comprehensive Reviews in Food Science and Food Safety*, 12: 439–453, 2013.
- Alger, H. M., Maffini, M. V., Kulkarni, N. R., Bongard, E. D. and Neltner, T., Perspectives on How FDA Assesses Exposure to Food Additives When Evaluating Their Safety: Workshop Proceedings, *Comprehensive Reviews in Food Science and Food Safety*, 12: 90–119, 2013.
- Neltner, T. G., Kulkarni, N. R., Alger, H. M., Maffini, M. V., Bongard, E. D., Fortin, N. D., and Olson, E. D., Navigating the U.S. Food Additive Regulatory Program, *Comprehensive Reviews in Food Science and Food Safety*, 10: 342–368, 2011.
- Maffini, M. V., Alger, H. M., Bongard, E. D., and Neltner, T. G., Enhancing FDA's Evaluation of Science to Ensure Chemicals Added to Human Food Are Safe: Workshop Proceedings, *Comprehensive Reviews in Food Science and Food Safety*, 10: 321–341, 2011.
- Neltner T.G., National Healthy Homes Training Center and Network: Building Capacity for Healthy Homes, *J Public Health Management Practice*, Sep-Oct;16(5 Suppl): S75-8, 2010.

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- Neltner T.G., Lead Dust as Solid Waste: A New Legal Strategy for Achieving Lead Safety, *Clearinghouse Review Journal of Poverty Law and Policy*, p. 665, 2006.
- Neltner T.G., Civil Rights Action on Combined Sewer Overflows in Indianapolis, *Clearinghouse Review Journal of Poverty Law and Policy*, p. 429, 2005.
- Whitford, The Complete Book of Pesticide Management: Science, Regulation, Stewardship, and Communication, (Co-author on Chapters 17 & 18), *John Wiley & Sons*, 2002.
- Leonard and Robinson, Managing Hazardous Materials: A Definitive Text, (Author of Chapter 8), *Institute of Hazardous Materials Management*, 2002.

## LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS

- Member of Bar for Court of Appeals for Ninth Circuit and District of Columbia Circuit since 2008
- Licensed to Practice Law in Washington, DC since 2005
- Licensed to Practice Law in Indiana since 1988
- Certified Hazardous Materials Manager since 1993
- Healthy Homes Specialist since 2008
- Certified Pest Control Operator – Public Health (Category 8) and Non-Termite Institutional, Commercial and Residential Structural Pest Control (Category 7a), 2003 (expired)

## AWARDS | PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS | SIGNIFICANT VOLUNTEER ROLES

### AWARDS

- Featured in EDF's Special Report, Autumn 2023
- Lead and Environmental Health Association's *National Lead-Star Award*, 2005
- *Governor's Award for Environmental Excellence* for Secret Shoppers by Indiana Governor Mitch Daniels, 2005
- Indiana Public Health Association's *Tony and Mary Hulman Health Achievement Award*, 2005
- Indianapolis Power and Light's *Golden Eagle Award for Environmental Leadership*, 2005
- Indiana Public Health Association's *Citizen Advocate of the Year Award*, 2004
- *Sagamore of the Wabash* by Indiana Governor Joe Kernan, highest recognition for citizen in Indiana, 2004
- *NUVO Cultural Vision Award*, 2004
- Elected *Fellow* by the National Institute for Hazardous Materials Managers, 2000
- Indianapolis Business Journal's *40 Under 40 Award*, 1995
- Indiana Governor Evan Bayh's, *Governor's Lifetime Achievement Award for Excellence in Recycling*, 1992

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Member of Bar for U.S. Court of Appeals for Ninth Circuit and District of Columbia Circuit since 2008
- Chair, Environmental Committee, Concerned Clergy of Greater Indianapolis, 2001–2005
- Academy of Certified Hazardous Materials Managers (CHMM), 1993–2022
- Institute of Certified Hazardous Materials Managers since 1993
- Institute of Food Technologists, 2010–2014
- President and Co-founder, Indiana Recycling Coalition, 1990–1993
- Member of the Bar of the Southern and Northern Federal District Courts since 1988
- Member of the Bar for the State of Indiana since 1988

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## SIGNIFICANT VOLUNTEER ROLES

- Environmental Health Sciences, board member since 2024
- Lead and Environmental Hazards Association, advisor in 2023 and board member since 2024
- Hazardous Materials Society, director on board from 2019 to 2021
- National Environmental Health Partnership Council, member from 2020 to current
- Environmental Protection Agency's Children's Health Protection Advisory Committee (CHPAC), member from 2011 to 2019
- Sierra Club, co-chair of National Toxics Committee, 2005–2010
- Concerned Clergy of Greater Indianapolis, chair of the Environmental Committee and attorney for civil rights administrative litigation to eliminate sanitary sewer overflows in urban neighborhoods, 2000–2005
- Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) of Indianapolis, guardian ad-litem advising court on custody and guardianship issues, 2002–2005