

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: <i>MICHAEL J. NORTON</i>		
2. Your Title: <i>ATTORNEY + COUNSELOR AT LAW</i>		
3. The Entity(ies) You are Representing: <i>SELF</i>		
4. Are you testifying on behalf of the Federal, or a State or local government entity?	Yes	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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. <i>None.</i>		
6. Please attach your curriculum vitae to your completed disclosure form. <i>Attached</i>		

Signature: *[Handwritten Signature]*

Date: *4/18/2016*



Michael J. Norton is an attorney with the Denver, CO law firm of Thomas N. Scheffel & Associates, P.C. Scheffel & Associates is a full-service law firm that focuses on, among other areas, estate planning and probate litigation, business and tax law, and complex civil litigation.

Norton also serves as president and general counsel of the Colorado Freedom Institute. The Colorado Freedom Institute is a non-profit legal organization dedicated to defending and protecting the religious freedoms guaranteed to Coloradans and other Americans by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution.

From 1988 to 1993, Norton served as United States Attorney for Colorado. He was first appointed to this office in 1988 by President Ronald Reagan and was reappointed in 1990 by President George H.W. Bush. As United States Attorney, Norton headed federal investigations and prosecutions of organized crime trafficking in narcotics and dangerous drugs, environmental crimes, financial institution crimes, and securities frauds. Norton also coordinated the Justice Department's massive criminal investigation of Rockwell International Corporation for environmental crimes at the Rocky Flats Nuclear Weapons Plant in Golden, Colorado. This prosecution resulted in the imposition of a fine of \$18.5 million – the largest criminal hazardous waste fine in U.S. history to that time.

Norton has been practicing law since 1975. He earned his J.D. degree in 1968 from American University's Washington College of Law in Washington, D.C. Over the years, Norton has tried more than 200 cases and has appeared in federal and state courts in, among other states, Colorado, Florida, Iowa, Louisiana, Missouri, Texas, Pennsylvania, Washington, and Wyoming.

Norton served for 8 years as a member and chair of the Colorado Commission on Judicial Discipline. He has also served on the Colorado Bar Association's Board of Governors and as a member of the Colorado Supreme Court's Judicial Code Commission. Norton currently serves as a member of the board of directors of Colorado Family Action.

Norton is currently admitted to the United States Supreme Court, the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit, and the United States District Court for the District of Colorado. He is also a member of the American Bar Association and the bars of the States of Colorado and Virginia.

Norton has been active as a continuing legal education lecturer and has authored a number of legal writings, including on criminal justice issues, securities law enforcement, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, environmental law enforcement, trial practice, and prosecutorial ethics. Norton attended Denver Seminary, Denver, Colorado where, after 14 years, he earned a Masters of Divinity degree in May 2009.

Norton is married to the former Jane Ellen Bergman of Grand Junction, Colorado. Mrs. Norton, who served as Colorado's 46th Lieutenant Governor from 2003 to 2007, is currently engaged in a private consulting business. The Nortons have four children, seven grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. Their oldest son Jeff died of leukemia in 1983. The Nortons reside in Denver, Colorado and attend Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church.