# **Committee on Energy and Commerce**

U.S. House of Representatives
Witness Disclosure Requirement - "Truth in Testimony"
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1.	Your Name: G. Lawrence Atkins								
2.	Your Title: Executive Director								
3.	The Entity(ies) You are Representing: National	y(ies) You are Representing: National MLTSS Health Plan Associiation							
4.	Are you testifying on behalf of the Federal, or a government entity?	Yes	No X						
5.	6. 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, 2015. Only grants, contracts, or payments related to the subject matter of the hearing must be listed.								
	No Federal or foreign government grants, contracts or payments.								
6.	5. Please attach your curriculum vitae to your completed disclosure form.								
Signature: Date: July 24, 2017									

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#### **SUMMARY**

Experienced executive and public policy analyst specializing in health, income and human services with more than 40 years of experience in local, state, and federal public policy and government affairs. Extensive knowledge of pharmaceutical industry and markets, health insurance markets, Medicare and Medicaid policy, Social Security and public and private pension policy. Experience in private corporations, non-profit entities and government organizations. Extensive experience with policy analysis and policy development, including enactment of significant federal legislation.

Immediate Past President and Board Member of the National Academy for Social Insurance, the academy for health and retirement income policy experts. Guest editor of "A Message to the President on Aging Policy," <u>Generations</u>, Journal of the American Society on Aging, Winter 2016-17 Issue.

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

## National MLTSS Health Plan Association, Washington, DC

2016 to present

**Executive Director** 

Management of an association of organizations that contract with state Medicaid agencies to manage long-term services and supports (LTSS).

## Long-Term Quality Alliance, Washington, DC

2013 to present

**Executive Director** 

Management of an alliance of major stakeholder organizations promoting person-centered integration of long-term services and supports (LTSS) with measurement and accountability for outcomes.

## Commission on Long-Term Care, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC

2013

Staff Director

Management of the process and staff support for 15-member Commission appointed March 2013 by Republican and Democratic congressional leadership and the President, launched in June 2013 and reporting in September 2013.

# Health Policy Concepts, LLC, Washington, DC

2013 to present

Principal

Operation of a sole-practitioner health policy consultancy.

Merck & Co., Inc. Washington, DC

2009 to 2012

Executive Director, U.S. Public Policy

Direction of Company's public policy and legislative strategy development process covering U.S. Federal legislative and regulatory and state and local policy issues; and participation in global public policy development.

# Schering-Plough Corporation, Washington, DC

2003 to 2009

Executive Director, Public Policy and Reimbursement

Direction of Company's public policy and legislative strategy development process covering global, federal legislative and regulatory, and state and local public policy issues; and support for the General Counsel and CEO on policy decision-making. Oversight of government reimbursement analysis and CMS relationship. Participation in legislative and regulatory representation.

# Health Policy Analysts, Inc., Washington, DC

1997-2003

President and Founder

President of firm providing consultation to Fortune 500 companies on public policy, strategic planning, and legislative strategy in health care and retirement income; with a specialization in employee benefits, ERISA, health insurance, managed care, pharmaceuticals, Medicare and Social Security. Executive Director of the Corporate Health Care Coalition (CHCC) focused on national health care reform. Coordinator of the Employer Health Care Innovation Project (EHCIP) focused on state initiatives.

## The Jefferson Group, Washington, DC

1996

Senior Vice-President

Consultant to Fortune 500 companies on public policy, strategic planning, and legislative strategy in health care and retirement income.

## Winthrop, Stimson, Putnam & Roberts, Washington, DC

1989-1995

Director of Employee Benefits Policy

Non-lawyer advisor to clients and to the law firm's employee benefits practice on pension and health benefits public policy matters. Consultant on health care and retirement income policy and legislative representation. Founder and Executive Director of the Corporate Health Care Coalition (CHCC) participating on behalf of corporate purchasers in congressional consideration of the Clinton Administration's health care reform initiative.

# U.S. Senate, Special Committee on Aging, Washington, DC

1981-1989

Minority Staff Director

Republican Staff Director and principal staff aide to Senator John Heinz (R-PA) on health, retirement income, and aging issues (1987-1989). Deputy Staff Director for minority staff (1986-87) and majority staff (1985-86). Professional staff member (majority staff) with primary responsibility for Social Security and employee pension issues (1981-85).

#### ADDITIONAL RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Human Services Coordination Alliance, Louisville, KY (Manager, Planning Team)
Office of the Secretary, Kentucky Dept. for Human Resources, Frankfort, KY (Sr. Planner)
Phoenix Associates, Inc., Louisville, KY (Founder and Executive Director)
Louisville Independent Public Schools, (Nat'l Teacher Corps), Louisville, KY (Teacher)

#### **EDUCATION**

- Ph.D. Brandeis University, The Heller School for Social Policy and Management Dissertation: *Distributions from Employer Sponsored Pension Plans at Termination: Implications for Retirement and Tax Policy*
- M.S. University of Louisville, Institute of Community Development
- M.A. University of Kentucky, School of Education (National Teacher Corps).
- B.A. Kenyon College

Magna Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa. Major: History; Minor: Political Science