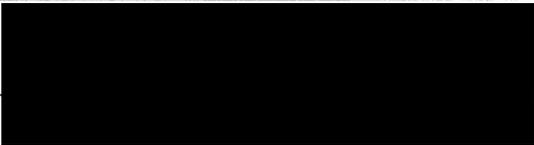


**Committee on Energy and Commerce**  
**U.S. House of Representatives**  
Witness Disclosure Requirement - "Truth in Testimony"  
Required by House Rule XI, Clause 2(g)(5)

<b>1. Your Name:</b> Rachel Weintraub		
<b>2. Your Title:</b> Legislative Director and General Counsel		
<b>3. The Entity(ies) You are Representing:</b> Consumer Federation of America		
<b>4. Are you testifying on behalf of the Federal, or a State or local government entity?</b>	Yes	No X
<b>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.</b>  NA		
<b>6. Please attach your curriculum vitae to your completed disclosure form.</b>		

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



Date: 2/8/15

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

### **Consumer Federation of America, (CFA) Washington, D.C.**

Legislative Director and General Counsel (September 2013-Present)

- Work on wide array of product safety issues and lead coalition work on these issues.
- Testify before the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission and Congress regarding product safety issues.
- Work within voluntary standards organizations to develop consumer protective standards.
- Work on issues to ensure that the United States' regulatory system protects consumers.
- Review contracts, manage trademark applications and otherwise engage in internal legal issues in which CFA is involved.
- Present CFA's policy work to CFA's Board of Directors biannually.
- Work on issues related to ensuring the strength and effectiveness of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.
- Provide strategic advice to CFA advocacy staff.
- Manage policy support staff.

Director of Product Safety and Senior Counsel (January 2002 – August 2013)

- Represent Consumer Federation of America on behalf of consumers before the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, U.S. Congress, state legislatures, and within voluntary standard setting organizations.
- Focus primarily on product safety issues; also work on civil justice issues and a wide range of internal legal issues including contract review, trademark applications, and amicus curiae brief approval.
- Lead a coalition of consumer, scientific, and public interest organizations advocating for strong product safety reform. Successfully advocated for passage of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act, signed into law on August 14, 2008, and worked with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission and members of Congress regarding implementation.
- Testify before House and Senate Committees on topics ranging from U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission reform to auto salvage.
- File comments with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission on a wide range of product safety issues.
- Speak frequently to national media outlets as a leading voice on product safety issues.
- Speak regularly about product safety at national industry and consumer safety conferences.

### **U.S. Public Interest Research Group, Washington, D.C.**

Consumer Advocate (September 1999 – December 2001)

- Advocated on behalf of the U.S. Public Interest Research Group, the national lobbying office for the State PIRGs, representing consumers on product safety and health care issues.
- Authored three reports on dangerous toys, a report on playground safety, and co-released a prescription drug pricing report.
- Spoke extensively to print, radio, and television reporters regarding product safety and health care issues.
- Worked in coalition with consumer, civil justice, and other public interest organizations.
- Organized and spoke at numerous press conferences.
- Testified before Congress concerning the National Practitioner Database.
- Met often with members of Congress about product safety, civil justice, and health care issues.

## ILLUSTRATIVE TESTIMONY AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

### Testimony

- U.S. House of Representatives, Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing and Trade of the Committee on Energy and Commerce: Legislative Hearing – Discussion Draft CPSIA Amendments (April 7, 2011)
- U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission: Establishment of a Public Consumer Product Safety Incident Database (November 10, 2009)
- U.S. Senate, Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Insurance and Automotive Safety, Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation: Oversight Hearing of the Consumer Product Safety Commission (March 21, 2007)
- U.S. Senate, Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Product Safety and Insurance, Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation: Compliance with All-Terrain Vehicle Standards (June 6, 2006)
- U.S. House of Representatives, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection of the Energy and Commerce Committee: Car Title Fraud: Issues and Approaches for Keeping Consumers Safe on the Road (March 1, 2006)
- U.S. House of Representatives, Committee on Commerce: Legislative Hearing on the Patient Protection Act of 2000 (September 20, 2000)

### **Speaking Engagements**

- Juvenile Product Manufacturers Association Conference (March 2011, February 2015)
- International Consumer Product Health and Safety Organization Conference (February, 2005, 2006, 2009-2015)
- National Association of Manufacturers Conference (April 2008)
- Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers Association Conference (October 2008)
- Washington International Trade Association Conference (January 2008)

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

ASTM International, formerly American Society of Testing and Materials

- Member of F15.90, Consumer Products, Executive Subcommittee (2002 – present)

American National Standards Institute (ANSI)

- Board Member (2013-present)

Cosmetic Ingredient Review

- Consumer Liaison (2002 – 2015)

International Consumer Product Health and Safety Organization

- Past President (2010); President (2009); Board member (2002 – 2010); Symposium Planning Committee (2006 – present)

Maryland State Bar

- Admitted (2000)
- Member (2000 – present)

### **PROFESSIONAL AWARDS**

Best Friend Award, Kids in Danger (2004)

CPSC Chairman's Commendation Award (2012)

### **EDUCATION**

**Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C.**

Visiting Student: Fall 1998 – Spring 1999

**Boston University School of Law, Boston, MA**

Degree: Juris Doctor, May 1999

Honors: *Public Interest Law Journal*, Public Interest Grant Recipient

**State University of New York at Binghamton, Binghamton, NY**

Degree: Bachelor of Arts, May 1996, *magna cum laude*

Majors: Political Science and Philosophy, Politics and Law

Honors: Phi Beta Kappa, Political Science Honor Society- Pi Sigma Alpha, Dean's List, Golden Key,  
National Honor Society

**PUBLICATIONS**

Opinion Editorial, Sun Sentinel, "Don't set safety clock backwards for kids products" (July 24, 2011)

Product Safety Letter, "Don't Fear the Sunshine" (October 28, 2010)

Note, "Hate Speech Over the Internet: A Traditional Constitutional Analysis or a New CyberConstitution,"

Boston University Public Interest Law Journal (1998)