

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

1. Your Name: <u>ROBERT MATTHEWS</u>		
2. Are you testifying on behalf of the Federal, or a State or local government entity?	Yes	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3. Are you testifying on behalf of an entity that is not a government entity?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No
4. Other than yourself, please list which entity or entities you are representing: <u>CONSUMER SPECIALTY PRODUCTS ASSOCIATION (CSPA)</u>		
5. Please list any Federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) that you or the entity you represent have received on or after October 1, 2011:		
6. If your answer to the question in item 3 in this form is "yes," please describe your position or representational capacity with the entity or entities you are representing: <u>I AM WITH MCKENNA LOVE + ALORIDGE LLP; CSPA IS A CLIENT OF THE FIRM</u>		
7. If your answer to the question in item 3 is "yes," do any of the entities disclosed in item 4 have parent organizations, subsidiaries, or partnerships that you are not representing in your testimony?	Yes	No
8. If the answer to the question in item 3 is "yes," please list any Federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) that were received by the entities listed under the question in item 4 on or after October 1, 2011, that exceed 10 percent of the revenue of the entities in the year received, including the source and amount of each grant or contract to be listed: <u>N/A</u>		
9. Please attach your curriculum vitae to your completed disclosure form. <u>ATTACHED</u>		

Signature:

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Experience

Bob Matthews is an environmental attorney with four decades of experience representing clients in litigation and counseling matters across a broad spectrum of U.S. and international environmental laws and regulations.

Mr. Matthews has extensive environmental litigation experience, including in toxic tort and CERCLA litigation proceedings. He has represented clients in personal injury and property damage claims, including in multi-district litigation. His CERCLA experience includes defending companies in both cost recovery claims brought by the U.S. and in contribution claims by private parties, as well as representing clients faced with unilateral administrative orders. Mr. Matthews has served as lead litigation counsel for numerous Superfund site joint defense groups.

In addition to his litigation practice, Mr. Matthews has diverse regulatory counseling experience. He recently testified before the Senate Environment & Public Works Committee on behalf of the Consumer Specialty Products Association on efforts to reform the Toxic Substances Control Act. He also testified before Congress during the reauthorization of the Clean Water Act.

Mr. Matthews is widely recognized in the U.S. for his knowledge of European Union environmental issues, particularly with regard to REACH (Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemicals). He provides analysis and business-related advice to clients regarding REACH planning and implementation issues and has lectured frequently to firm clients and industry groups on REACH issues and impacts. He has also been involved in other EU environmental matters, including in product defense litigation at the EU level and in Member States.

Mr. Matthews has been engaged as Special Environmental Counsel in major corporate and financial transaction matters, where he has drafted and negotiated contract terms and conducted environmental and related due diligence. He has worked closely with clients to resolve regulatory interpretation issues, obtain permits and permit modifications, and defend client interests in administrative and judicial enforcement proceedings.

Prior to joining the firm, Bob was environmental counsel to Union Carbide Corporation's Chemicals & Plastics Group. He also was a staff attorney in the Enforcement Division of the Region II Office of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Mr. Matthews has been recognized by *Best Lawyers in America 2014* as one of the leading lawyers in the area of Environmental Law.

Notable Engagements

- *Burn Pit MDL* - Serves as lead litigation counsel in claims by 250 plaintiffs alleging exposure to emissions from burn pits during deployment in Iraq and

Practices:

Environment, Energy & Product
Regulation

CERCLA, Remediation and
Brownfield Redevelopment

Chemicals, Pesticides and
Product Regulation

REACH

TSCA Reform Clearinghouse

EU Environmental Regulations

Hazardous Waste Management

Water Resources

International

EU Environmental

Litigation

Product Liability and Toxic Tort
Defense

Industries:

Chemicals

Professional Activities:

American Bar Association, Vice
Chair, Environmental Crimes and
Enforcement Committee,
Environment, Energy, and
Resources Section

Afghanistan. Extensive motions practice involving, e.g., contractor-on-the-battlefield immunity defenses, removal and remand issues, discovery disputes, pre-trial publicity, and Lone Pine orders.

- *Longhorn Army Ammunition Plant* – Represented government contractor in environmental-related claims (personal injury and property damage) arising at facility on Caddo Lake. Deposed and conducted direct examination at *Daubert* hearing of experts on hydrogeology, air dispersion modeling, and worker exposure. Deposed several of the lead plaintiffs chosen during class action phase. Conducted and supervised extensive document review relating to personal injury and property damage issues.
- *Multiple CERCLA Sites; Lead Litigation Counsel* – Kin-Buc Landfill (NJ); Lone Pine Landfill (NJ); Anglo Metals (TX); Clothier and Volney Landfill (NY) – Led successful defense of multi-party joint defense groups in diverse EPA and private party claims matters.

Education

- J.D., Fordham University School of Law, 1973
- A.B., Gettysburg College, 1970

Bar Admissions

- District of Columbia
- New York

Publications

- "A Legal Perspective on the EU REACH Proposal," *ABA International Environmental Law Committee Newsletter*, (June 2004), co-authored with Claudio Mereu.