

Daniel B. Maffei
Chairman
Federal Maritime Commission

Daniel B. Maffei is an experienced public servant who serves as Chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission since being appointed to the position by President Biden in 2021. Under his Chairmanship, the Commission has reinvigorated its enforcement efforts, prioritized helping U.S. export shippers, and established several new initiatives to address supply chain congestion and efficiency challenges.

Chairman Maffei's career in government spans more than 20 years. He was twice elected to the U.S. House of Representatives for the 24th Congressional District of New York with assignments to the House Armed Services Committee, House Financial Services Committee, and the House Judiciary Committee. His earlier public service includes working for the Democratic staff of the House Ways and Means Committee and as the Press Secretary for U.S. Senators Daniel Patrick Moynihan and Bill Bradley. Maffei has substantial experience teaching and researching at universities and think tanks. In addition to his career as a public servant, Maffei has worked in the private sector as an independent consultant and as a broadcast journalist. He earned his Bachelor's degree from Brown University and his Master's degrees from Columbia University and Harvard University.

The Honorable Daniel B. Maffei

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICE

FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Washington, DC

Commissioner

2016 – present

- Appointed by President Obama and reappointed by President Trump, and President Biden to Senate-confirmed position
- Serve as one of up to five members of the bipartisan, independent commission that regulates the U.S. international ocean transportation system and adjudicates cases under the Shipping Act of 1984
- Designated as Chairman by President Biden in 2021
 - Responsible for the administration of the Commission and allocating resources to accomplish mission and priorities
 - Key initiatives include reinvigorating enforcement, emphasizing consumer assistance, and prioritizing ways to assist U.S. exporters reach overseas markets
 - Responsible for implementing the Ocean Shipping Reform Act of 2022
- Participated in bilateral and multilateral consultations with other competition and maritime authorities around the world including the European Commission, Denmark, Japan, Republic of Korea, People's Republic of China, and United Kingdom
- Delivered presentations on maritime transportation issues at domestic and international conferences
- Advised congressional committee staff and members on important revisions to maritime legislation
- Wrote concurring opinions in legal cases that had been appealed to the Commission

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Washington, DC

Senior Advisor

2016

- Appointed to International Trade Administration and seconded to Office of the Secretary
- Advised department leadership on legislative and public strategy for finishing Obama trade agenda
- Communicated informally with current Congress members and staff on TPP and other trade issues
- Coached officials on dealing with congressional meetings including prep for oversight hearings

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Washington, DC

Member of 113th Congress representing New York's 24th District

2013 – 2015

- Member of Committee on Armed Services and Committee on Science, Space, and Technology
- Ranking Member on Science and Technology Oversight Subcommittee
- Authored several provisions to identify and support new and better military technologies in the *National Defense Authorization Act of 2013* and *National Defense Authorization Act of 2014*
- Fought successfully the efforts to decrease federal support for social science research and advocated for increased support for basic scientific research and streamlining of the grant application process
- Resolved military concerns and cleared bureaucratic obstacles so that one of six FAA-approved remotely piloted vehicle test sites would be established in Central New York
- Led successful bipartisan effort creating the first national park to honor Harriet Tubman
- Developed program to enhance 24th district local governmental and institutional capacity to obtain federal grants, resulting in approximately twenty-eight million dollars in grants over a two-year period

UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (CONTINUED)

Washington, DC

Member of 111th Congress representing New York's 25th District

2009 – 2011

- Member of Financial Services Committee and Committee on the Judiciary
- Affected significant provisions of *Affordable Care Act of 2010* as key swing vote; led coalition of members that reduced the proposed tax on medical device manufacturers by 50 percent
- Co-authored *Credit Card Holder Bill of Rights of 2009*; and was sole sponsor of separate 2010 law to save retailers millions of dollars by grandfathering previously printed gift cards
- Won passage of 24 appropriations projects totaling \$14.4 million in funds for the 25th District
- Led movement in Congress to prevent unfair closures of GM and Chrysler auto dealerships; negotiated inclusion of dealers' rights provision in appropriations law
- Founded the bipartisan House Adult Literacy Caucus

***Communications Director/Senior Policy Advisor
Committee on Ways and Means Democratic Staff***

1998 – 2005

- Crafted and implemented media and political strategies involving economic policy, taxes, Social Security, Medicare, health, welfare, and international trade
- Explained and analyzed legislative issues for journalists, members, and the public
- Worked with Democratic leadership and other House committee staffs to coordinate message points
- Appeared periodically on C-SPAN's *Washington Journal*

UNITED STATES SENATE

Washington, DC

Press Secretary to Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan of New York

1997 – 1998

- Managed all of the Senator's media relations including monthly press briefings and op-ed placements
- Promoted the Senator's agenda involving issues before him as Finance Committee Ranking Member

Press Secretary to Senator Bill Bradley of New Jersey

1995 – 1996

- Developed issue-based media strategies for Senator's agenda on health, tax and environmental issues
- Advanced the Senator's national profile in anticipation of presidential campaign

PRIVATE SECTOR EXPERIENCE

SELF-EMPLOYED PUBLIC AFFAIRS CONSULTANT

2015 – 2016

- Assisted clients in developing message and marketing materials for various targeted audiences
- Wrote memos and position papers for clients on health, science and tax issues
- Coached and prepared clients for appearances before congressional committees

MANATT, PHELPS, PHILLIPS, LLP

Washington, DC

Senior Policy Advisor

2011 – 2012

- Advised clients on *Affordable Care Act* and *Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act* implementation
- Assisted clients in applying for federal contracts

PINNACLE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC

Syracuse, NY

Senior Vice President, Corporate Development

2006 – 2008

- Enhanced profile of newly formed Central New York-based capital management firm
- Identified and cultivated prospective clients through individual meetings and outreach events

ABC AFFILIATE WIXT-TV (NOW WSYR-TV)

Syracuse, NY

On-Air News Reporter/Producer

1992 – 1993

UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Professor of Practice, Graduate School of Political Management

Washington, DC
2018 – 2019

- Taught courses *Running For Office* (PMGT 6434) and *Legislative Politics* (LGAF 6202)
- Represented GWU at academic roundtable *Open Information vs. Fake News* in Wellington, N.Z.
- Assisted planning, recruited speakers, and moderated a panel for *Reinventing Disruption* conference
- Provided Capitol tour and assisted in hosting British Members of Parliament visiting the school
- Formulated and facilitated week-long program for visiting Southern Methodist University students

SUNY COLLEGE OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND FORESTRY

Visiting Professor, Environmental Studies Department

Syracuse, NY
2011 – 2012

- Designed and taught Graduate Seminar: *The Politics of Environmental Science and Technology Policy*
- Taught Survey Course: *Government and the Environment* (with then Assistant Professor Paul Hirsch)

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY MAXWELL SCHOOL OF CITIZENSHIP AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Syracuse, NY

- Special Summer Course Assistant 2005
- Assisted in facilitating Washington simulation for *Public Administration and Democracy* course

GUEST TEACHING AND LECTURES

Syracuse University Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs

Speaker/Mentor at National Security Studies Program Minnowbrook Conference

2016, 2018

Brown University, A. Alfred Taubman Center for American Politics and Policy

Lecture Series Speaker

2017

Millikin University

Thomas W. Ewing Lecture (with former Representative Peter Torkildsen)

2015

Guest Lectures at Colleges and Universities:

Syracuse University Washington Program

2016, 2017, 2018

Indiana State University

2017

Texas Tech University Washington Congressional Internship Program

2017

Syracuse University Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs

2010, 2012, 2013, 2014

Cornell University Government Department

2015

Syracuse University Newhouse School of Public Communications

2004, 2005, 2010, 2014

LeMoyne College

2010, 2014

Syracuse University Law School

2011, 2013

SUNY Oswego

2012

Cornell University School of Hotel Administration

2011

Ivy Tech College (Bloomington, Indiana) O'Bannon Institute for Community Service

2011

Hobart and William Smith Colleges

2008, 2009

University of Richmond Jepson School of Leadership Studies

2007

Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government

2004

Rutgers University Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy

2004

American University Washington Semester Program

2003

FELLOWSHIPS

CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF THE PRESIDENCY AND CONGRESS

Washington, DC
2015 – 2016

Senior Fellow

- Co-coordinated and advised major research project on government procurement
- Participated in Middle East Study Group examining United States policy in Iraq, Syria and Jordan
- Authored (with Dan Mahaffee) *A Frightening Thought: Congress' Flip Flop on War and Diplomacy*

THIRD WAY

Washington, DC
2011

Senior Fellow

- Authored (with Ryan McConaghy) Third Way policy paper *The Case for Corporate Tax Reform*
- Moderated public panels and private meetings on corporate tax issues

SELECTED MEMBERSHIPS

U.S. ASSOCIATION OF FORMER MEMBERS OF CONGRESS

Washington, DC
2016 – present

Board Member

ISSUE ONE “ReFormers Caucus”

Washington, DC
2018 – present

Member

GLOBAL PANEL FOUNDATION

Prague, Czech Republic
2010 – 2016

Board of Advisors (America)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE

Washington, DC
2015 – 2016

Board of Advisors

EDUCATION

HARVARD UNIVERSITY JOHN F. KENNEDY SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT

Cambridge, MA
1993 – 1995

Master of Public Policy

- Thesis: *An Analysis of Media Coverage of the Watchdog Group the Center for Public Integrity*

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM

New York, NY
1990 – 1991

Master of Science in Journalism

- Project: *A Radio Documentary on the Rise of Political Talk Radio*

BROWN UNIVERSITY

Providence, RI

Bachelor of Arts in History and American Civilization 1986 – 1990

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- “How Junk Food Information Starves Democracy” in *The Dominion Post* (Wellington, New Zealand), November 5, 2018
- “The New Health Care Rationing” in *U.S. News & World Report*, May 5, 2016
- “Democrats Would Be Wise Not to Denigrate Innovation” in *The Hill*, December 1, 2015
- “Time for Patients to Benefit From Lifesaving Drugs” in *The Hill*, October 23, 2015
- “Consequences of Regulation by Clickbait” in *Medium.com*, September 28, 2015
- “Free Affordable Care Act From Unpopular Taxes” in *Roll Call*, August 27, 2015
- “A Frightening Thought: Congress’ Flip-Flop on War and Diplomacy” (co-authored by Dan Mahaffee) in *The National Interest*, August 20, 2015
- “Science Denial: It’s Not Just A Republican Problem” in *Roll Call*, June 4, 2015
- “Equal Pay for Women Helps the Economy” in *The (Syracuse) Post-Standard*, September 16, 2014
- “Rep. Dan Maffei: Rebuilding Infrastructure is the Key to Revitalizing Central New York” in *The (Syracuse) Post-Standard*, June 22, 2014
- “Rep. Dan Maffei on Interstate 81’s Future: Two Options Aren’t Enough” in *The (Syracuse) Post-Standard*, May 30, 2013
- “The Case for Corporate Tax Reform” (co-authored by Ryan McConaghy) in *Third Way Report*, August 30, 2011
- “Campaign as Classroom: Dan Maffei MPP 1995 on lessons learned” in *John F. Kennedy School of Government Bulletin*, Summer 2008
- “Part of ‘Thinking Big’ is Working for U.S. Energy Independence” in *The (Syracuse) Post-Standard*, May 22, 2008