

**Committee on Agriculture  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Information Required From Nongovernmental Witnesses**

**House rules require nongovernmental witnesses to provide their resume or biographical sketch prior to testifying. If you do not have a resume or biographical sketch available, please complete this form.**

1. **Name:** Lowell D. Ness
2. **Organization you represent:** N/A
3. **Please list any occupational, employment, or work-related experience you have which add to your qualification to provide testimony before the Committee:** I have been a corporate & securities lawyer focused on FinTech (financial technology) in the San Francisco Bay Area for the last 25 years. My practice primarily consists of venture financing work for startup companies. The two law firms I've worked for in my career incorporated Facebook, Amazon, Yahoo and many other marquee tech companies. I started representing the very first U.S. Bitcoin exchange around 7 years ago and have been focused on crypto currencies and blockchain technology ever since. Currently, I help lead a group of over 40 lawyers within Perkins Coie LLP who are exclusively dedicated to our blockchain practice.
4. **Please list any special training, education, or professional experience you have which add to your qualifications to provide testimony before the Committee:** I have had the pleasure of teaching a Securities Regulation class at a local law school that focuses on the Securities Act of 1933, starting with Chapter 1 – What is a Security?
5. **If you are appearing on behalf of an organization, please list the capacity in which you are representing that organization, including any offices or elected positions you hold:** N/A

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