

**Bill Imbergamo** is Executive Director of the **Federal Forest Resource Coalition**, a national non-profit representing purchasers of Federal timber, conservation groups, and county governments. He was named the organizations' founding Executive Director in 2011.

**Summary:** Imbergamo has over a quarter century of natural resource experience in Washington, ranging from an executive branch internship in 1987, to legislative experience, to management of two significant Washington associations. Imbergamo is an effective advocate, legislative and regulatory analyst, and communicator.

#### **Work History:**

**September 2011 – Present:** Executive Director, *Federal Forest Resource Coalition*. Oversee all aspects of management, policy, financial transactions, and communications.

**2009 – 2011:** Senior Professional Staff, *Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry*. Lead Committee staffer on forest management, forest biomass, National Forests, wildland fire management. Assisted as necessary on a range of issues, including FIFRA, general biomass energy, public lands grazing, and sportsmen's issues.

**2006 – 2009:** Director, Government Affairs, *American Forest & Paper Association*. Covered all aspects of government affairs, including lobbying Congress and the executive branch, ensured consideration of industry concerns in development of 2008 Farm Bill and subsequent rulemaking, lobbied for increased budget for forest management.

**2003 – 2006:** Professional Staff, *House Committee on Agriculture*: Lead staffer for all forest management, public lands, and wildfire management legislation and oversight functions. Lead staff for the 2003 Conference Committee on Healthy Forests Restoration Act. Conducted oversight on numerous issues, including court cases impacting forest management.

**2000 – 2003:** Director, Forest Management & Government Affairs, *American Forest & Paper Association*. Lead staff for association on public land management, directed multifaceted response to region-wide government led study on forest management sustainability in Southeastern United States.

**1996 – 2000:** Executive Director, *National Association of State Foresters*. Oversaw national association representing directors of State forestry agencies. Worked extensively with high level Forest Service and Congressional leadership to tailor programs geared towards protection of forest health on non-Federal Forests. Oversaw expansion on Association Staff to include full time communications staff, grew budget and increased appropriations for targeted programs.

**1991 – 1996:** Legislative Assistant, *National Association of State Foresters*. Monitored and reported on Congressional activity, developed and delivered testimony, and produced monthly reports on Washington actions impacting State forestry agencies from coast to coast.

### **Conservation Activities:**

Member of the ***Society of American Foresters*** for over 15 years. Served in leadership posts for the National Capitol Chapter, including fundraising chair.

Active member, ***Ducks Unlimited Federal City Chapter***, including serving on dinner committee.

Appointed to the ***Virginia Board of Forestry*** in 2011.

***Avid hunter and angler.*** Whitetail deer primarily in Virginia and Alabama. Active bird hunter, including hunting doves and wild woodcock in Virginia, waterfowl in Virginia, Maryland, Arkansas, North Carolina, and Ontario, Canada.

Imbergamo has landed over two dozen species of fish in fresh and salt water on fly tackle, and has fly fished in 21 states, including Alaska.

### **Education:**

Bachelor of Arts, *Cum Laude*, ***State University of New York College at Plattsburgh***, 1989. Political Science Major with 3.4 GPA. Member, Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Society; Student Senate, Cardinal Points (College weekly newspaper), Editorial Page Editor.

Graduate Study, ***The Johns Hopkins University***, Baltimore, Maryland (1989 – 1991).

### **Personal:**

Imbergamo lives in Vienna, Virginia with his wife of 18 years and daughter, age 12. In addition to hunting and fishing, Imbergamo is a below average golfer. Imbergamo worked his way through college, including 5 years of work in the food service industry as a line cook.