

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>Thomas J. Duch</u>			
2. Are you testifying on behalf of the Federal, or a State or local government entity?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	
3. Are you testifying on behalf of an entity that is not a government entity?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
4. Other than yourself, please list which entity or entities you are representing: <u>City of Garfield, NJ</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: <u>None</u>			
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>N/A</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?	<u>N/A</u>		
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: _____

Date: 5/17/13

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Education:

Seton Hall University School of Law, Newark, NJ
Doctorate of Jurisprudence, May 1981

Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA
Bachelor of Arts Degree in Government with a concentration in
Public Administration and with Minors in American History,
International Relations and Religion Studies, awarded with High
Honors, May 1978.

Professional Experience :

Sept. 2003-Present **City Manager,** City of Garfield, NJ

- Chief Executive and Administrative Official of the City.
- Compile and submit the annual budget to the Municipal Council.
- Execute all laws and ordinances of Municipality.
- Appoint and remove all department heads and all other employees
- Responsible for day to day operation of the City including 190 employees.
- Obtained over \$15 million dollars in grants through State and Federal sources over the last 4 years.

Sept. 1984- Present **Attorney at Law,** Thomas J. Duch, Esq., Elmwood Park, NJ

- Established and developed solo law practice.
- Specialized areas of practice include Estates and Trusts, Real Estate and Land Use

Oct. 2004-Oct, 2012 **National Director, Greek Catholic Union of the USA**

- Chairman of Budget and Salary Committee, Member of Athletic Activities Committee, Audit Committee, Bylaw Committee, Fraternal Activities Committee, Lodge/District Re-Organization Committee, and Scholarship Committee.
- Board member of GCU Real Estate Company, Inc.
- Fiduciary Responsibility as one of ten National Directors for a fraternal benefits society with assets in excess of \$800 million.

Elected Experience:

Jan. 1988-1992 **Assemblyman**, Legislative District 36, State of NJ

- Two terms of service as Assemblyman for parts of Bergen and Passaic Counties
- Member of Environmental Quality Committee and County Government and Regional Authorities Committee.
- Chairman of Conservation and Natural Resources Committee.
- Member of Energy and Environmental Committee and Waste Management and Recycling Committee.
- More than 30 of my Bills were signed into Law by the Governor during my tenure in office.

May 1980-1988 **Mayor**, City of Garfield, Bergen County, NJ

- Elected Mayor of City of 30,000 people at age 23
- Re-elected Mayor with commanding majority in 1984.
- Responsible for conduct of all meetings, establishment of comprehensive plan for infrastructure redevelopment, development of Budget and day to day operational matters.
- Created new 20 acre park and recreational facility, which is today the centerpiece of recreational opportunity in the City.
- Established and constructed new childcare and development center to serve preschool students and their families.
- Constructed \$9 Million, 120 unit, Senior Citizen Housing Facility, funded completely by Grants.
- Reconstruction of all major intersections with installation of new traffic control devices funded by Grant of \$3.5 Million.
- Development and implementation of bridge reconstruction, sewer reconstruction and water reconstruction projects.
- Responsible for all Contract negotiations with all employee union representatives.
- Handled all grant applications on behalf of the City of Garfield during entire term in office.
- Conducted regular meetings with all department heads to promote quality of service rendered to citizens, enhanced cooperation between the various departments, and to generally promote the image of the City of Garfield.

Service and Memberships:

- Commissioner, Suburban Essex Joint Insurance Fund, 2006-present
- Community Emergency Response Team Member, City of Garfield, 2004- present
- Member of New Jersey Bar Association
- Member of Bergen County Bar Association
- Member of Slovak Catholic Sokols
- Member and Legal Advisor of The Greek Catholic Union District 7
- Member of Slovak Heritage Festival Committee

- Member, New Jersey Conference of Mayors
- Member of Bergen County Democratic Mayors Association
- Member of New Jersey Municipal Management Association
- Member, Saint Stanislaus Kostka Pulaski Parade Committee of Garfield, NJ
- Lifelong member of Saint Michael's Byzantine Catholic Cathedral, Passaic, NJ
- Former President and Vice President, Saint Michael's Cathedral, Holy Name Society, Passaic, New Jersey; present member
- Member, Central Bergen Municipal Managers and Administrators Association 2006-present
- Honorary Member, Italian-American Forum of Lodi
- Honorary Member, Garfield Fire Company Number 2
- Former Chairman, Garfield Democratic Party
- Former Democratic County Committeeman, City of Garfield
- Former Vice President of Garfield Boys and Girls Club, Board of Trustees (Trustee for 25 years)
- Former Member, Passaic General Hospital Foundation Board of Directors
- Former Chairman, Annual Picnic/Slavic Festival Committee of Saint Michael's Cathedral, Passaic, New Jersey
- Former Member, Garfield Jaycees
- Former Member, Garfield Planning Board
- Former Member, Garfield Library Board of Trustees
- Former Member, New Jersey Mayors Association

Awards/Honors:

- Garfield Contingent Marshall to the Pulaski Day Parade in New York City, 2008
- 2006 Garfield YMCA Adult Volunteer Award
- Inducted into Garfield High School Academic Hall of Fame, June 2005
- Columbus Spirit Award from 2004 Columbus Day Parade Committee for the City of Garfield and the Borough of Lodi
- Community Leader of the Year, Garfield YMCA, 1992.
- District 38 Democratic Party Award for outstanding Legislative service, 1992.
- Community Service Award by Garfield 75th Jubilee Committee, 1992

Personal:

Married; 4 Children; born September 3, 1956

References:

Furnished upon request.