

## **APPENDIX II**

### **BACKGROUND OF COMMISSIONERS**

#### **Carolyn Bartholomew, Vice Chairman**

Carolyn Bartholomew was reappointed to the Commission by House Speaker Nancy Pelosi on December 19, 2007, for a fourth term expiring December 31, 2009. Ms. Bartholomew previously served as the Commission's Vice Chairman and Chairman for the 2006 and 2007 report cycle, respectively.

Chairman Bartholomew worked at senior levels in the U.S. Congress, serving as Counsel, Legislative Director, and Chief of Staff to U.S. House of Representatives Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi. She also served as a Professional Staff Member on the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. Previously, she was a legislative assistant to then-U.S. Representative Bill Richardson.

In these positions, Ms. Bartholomew was integrally involved in developing U.S. policies on international affairs and security matters. She has particular expertise in U.S.-China relations, focused primarily on trade, human rights, and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction. Vice Chairman Bartholomew was a lead staff member on legislation to establish the Department of Homeland Security and led efforts in the establishment and funding of global AIDS programs and the promotion of human rights and democratization in countries around the world. Ms. Bartholomew was a member of the first Presidential Delegation to Africa to Investigate the Impact of HIV/AIDS on Children; and a member of the Council on Foreign Relations Congressional Staff Roundtable on Asian Political and Security issues. In addition to U.S.-China relations, her areas of expertise include terrorism, trade, proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, human rights, U.S. foreign assistance programs, and international environmental issues. She also currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Kaiser Aluminum Corporation.

Vice Chairman Bartholomew received a B.A. from the University of Minnesota, an M.A. in anthropology from Duke University and J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center. She is a member of the State Bar of California.

#### **Daniel A. Blumenthal**

Daniel A. Blumenthal was reappointed to the Commission by Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell for a second two-year term expiring December 31, 2009. Commissioner Blumenthal served as the Commission's Vice Chairman for the 2007 report cycle.

Daniel Blumenthal is a Resident Fellow in Asian Studies at the American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research. He is a

member of the Academic Advisory Group of the Congressional U.S.-China Working Group.

Previously, Mr. Blumenthal was senior director for China, Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Mongolia in the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs from March 2004–November 2004 during the first George W. Bush administration. He developed and implemented defense policy toward China, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Mongolia, during which time he received the Office of Secretary of Defense Medal for Exceptional Public Service. From January 2002–March 2004, he was Country Director for China, Taiwan and Hong Kong in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, International Security Affairs.

Before his service at the Department of Defense, Mr. Blumenthal was an Associate Attorney, Corporate and Asia Practice Groups at Kelley Drye & Warren L.L.P. Earlier, he was an Editorial and Research Assistant at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy.

Mr. Blumenthal received an M.A. in International Relations and International Economics from the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies, and a J.D. from the Duke University School of Law in 2000. He has written extensively on national security issues.

### **Peter T.R. Brookes**

Commissioner Brookes was reappointed to the Commission by House Minority Leader John Boehner on December 6, 2007, for a second two-year term expiring December 31, 2009.

Peter Brookes develops and communicates the Heritage Foundation's stance on foreign policy and national security affairs through media appearances, research, published articles, congressional testimony, and speaking engagements.

Brookes also serves on the advisory committee of the Commission on the Prevention of Weapons of Mass Destruction, Proliferation and Terrorism.

In addition, he is a weekly columnist for the nation's fifth largest newspaper, the *New York Post*. His column also runs in several other domestic and foreign newspapers and on numerous news and opinion-oriented Web sites. He is also a contributing editor for *Armed Forces Journal* magazine. Brookes has had more than 300 articles published in over 50 newspapers, journals and magazines. He is the author of *A Devil's Triangle: Terrorism, Weapons of Mass Destruction and Rogue States* (Rowman & Littlefield, hardback 2005, paperback 2007).

Brookes has made nearly 1,250 appearances as a commentator on TV and radio, appearing on ABC, NBC, CBS, FOX, CNN, MSNBC, CNBC, NPR, BBC, CBC, VOA, Al Hurra, and Radio Free Asia, among others. He has hosted major market talk radio programs, including XM, and has been quoted by many of the world's largest newspapers and magazines.

He has testified numerous times before both the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives as a public official and as a private citizen. He is also a frequent public speaker around the country and the world, making more than 200 addresses in over 15 countries, including participation in State Department public diplomacy

speaking programs in Japan, Germany, Australia, Poland, Austria, Ukraine, Fiji, and Papua New Guinea.

Before coming to Heritage, Brookes served in the George W. Bush Administration as the deputy assistant secretary of Defense for Asian and Pacific Affairs, where he was responsible for U.S. defense policy for 38 countries and five bilateral defense alliances. Prior to joining the Bush Administration, he worked as a professional staff member with the Committee on International Relations in the U.S. House of Representatives. He also served with the Central Intelligence Agency, State Department, at the United Nations, and in the private sector defense and intelligence industry.

Brookes is a decorated military veteran, having served on active duty with the U.S. Navy in Latin America, Asia, and the Middle East in aviation and intelligence billets. Brookes has logged more than 1300 flight hours aboard U.S. Navy EP-3 reconnaissance aircraft. Now a retired Navy reserve commander, during his reserve career he served with the National Security Agency, Defense Intelligence Agency, Naval Intelligence, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Office of the Vice President, working as an intelligence analyst, strategic debriefer, Russian-language interpreter, defense attaché, policy advisor, and associate professor at the Joint Military Intelligence College.

Brookes is a doctoral candidate at Georgetown University. He is a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy (B.S., Engineering); the Defense Language Institute (Diploma, Russian); the Naval War College (Diploma); and the Johns Hopkins University (M.A., Government). He has studied German and Polish. He has traveled to more than 50 countries on five continents and has served as an international election observer in Indonesia and Cambodia.

He has served in political positions at the local, state, and national level, including being a drafter of the Republican National Committee's 2000 foreign policy platform at the convention. Brookes served as an advisor to the 2000 and 2004 Bush campaigns on foreign policy and has briefed 2008 presidential candidates.

Brookes' awards include the Navy League of New York's Frank Knox Media Award; the Joint Service Commendation Medal; the Navy Commendation Medal (3 awards); the Navy Achievement Medal; several naval and joint unit awards; the Defense Language Institute's Kellogg Award; the Joint Chiefs of Staff's service badge; and Naval Aviation Observer wings. He was also an All-Navy wrestling champion.

#### **Mark T. Esper, Ph.D.**

Mark T. Esper, Ph.D., is Executive Vice President of the Global Intellectual Property Center at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Previously he was a Senior Scholar at the National Institute for Public Policy and an Independent Consultant. Until February 2008, Dr. Esper served as the National Policy Director for the Fred Thompson 2008 Presidential Campaign. In this capacity, he was responsible for organizing the candidate's policy teams, engaging senior outside advisors, meeting with issue experts from think tanks and academia, and helping develop the campaign's domestic, eco-

conomic, defense, and foreign policy positions. Dr. Esper also served as the candidate's National Security Advisor.

Before joining the Thompson Campaign, Dr. Esper was Executive Vice President of the Aerospace Industries Association (AIA) of America, the premier trade organization representing the nation's aerospace and defense industry. In addition to his duties as COO, Dr. Esper was also responsible for AIA's defense and international policy offices.

Dr. Esper served a number of years on Capitol Hill. His last assignment was Director of National Security Affairs for Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist (R-TN), where he was responsible for all foreign policy, defense, and intelligence matters. He served earlier in his career as Policy Director for the House Armed Services Committee, and as a senior professional staff member on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee. In each of these capacities he was responsible for a national security portfolio that included a wide variety of national security, foreign policy, trade, intelligence, and defense issues. From 2002 until 2004 Dr. Esper served as the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Negotiations Policy at the Pentagon. In this capacity he was responsible for all arms control, nonproliferation, international agreements, UN matters, and related issues for the Defense Department. He led teams of negotiators in Geneva, assisted in delegations to allied capitals, and represented the department on Capitol Hill, in the interagency, and in the media. For his service at the Pentagon he was awarded the Department of Defense Distinguished Public Service Medal. Earlier in his career Dr. Esper served as the Legislative Director and Senior Policy Advisor for Senator Chuck Hagel (R-NE), and was Chief of Staff at The Heritage Foundation, a renowned Washington-based think tank.

Dr. Esper is a retired Army Lieutenant Colonel and Infantry officer who served over a decade on active duty, including a combat tour in Iraq during the 1990–91 Gulf War, and assignments with the 101st Airborne Division and the 82nd Airborne Division. His last active duty assignment was as a strategy and policy analyst, and USPACOM planning officer, at the Pentagon. During his time in uniform, Dr. Esper received a number of awards, including the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medals, and Combat Infantryman's Badge.

Dr. Esper is a distinguished graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, NY. He earned an MPA from the JFK School of Government at Harvard University, and his Ph.D. at the George Washington University in Washington, DC.

### **Jeffrey L. Fiedler**

Jeffrey L. Fiedler was reappointed to the Commission by House Speaker Nancy Pelosi on December 19, 2007, for a second term expiring December 31, 2009. Fiedler is President of Research Associates of America ("RAA"), a non-profit labor research organization. Previously, he was the elected President of the Food and Allied Service Trades Department, AFL-CIO ("FAST"). This constitutional department of the AFL-CIO represented 10 unions with a membership of 3.5 million in the United States and Canada. The

focus of RAA, like FAST before it, is organizing and bargaining research for workers and their unions.

He served as a member of the AFL–CIO Executive Council committees on International Affairs, Immigration, Organizing, and Strategic Approaches. He is also on the Board of Directors of the Consumer Federation of America, and a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, and the Pacific Council on International Policy.

In 1992, Fiedler co-founded the Laogai Research Foundation (“LRF”), an organization devoted to studying the forced labor camp system in China. When the Foundation’s Executive Director, Harry Wu, was detained in China in 1995, Fiedler coordinated the campaign to win his release. He still serves as a director of the LRF.

Fiedler has testified on behalf of the AFL–CIO before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, the House International Affairs Committee and its various subcommittees, as well as the Trade Subcommittee of the House Ways and Means Committee concerning China policy. He attended three of the American Assembly conferences on China sponsored by Columbia University and has participated in a Council on Foreign Relations task force and study group on China. He has been interviewed on CBS, NBC, ABC, CNN and CNBC on China policy, international trade issues, human rights, and child labor.

A Vietnam veteran, Fiedler served with the U.S. Army in Hue in 1967–68. He received his B.A. in Political Science from Southern Illinois University. He is married with two adult children and resides in Virginia.

#### **Hon. Patrick A. Mulloy**

Patrick A. Mulloy was appointed to the Commission on December 12, 2007 by Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid for a term expiring December 31, 2009. Commissioner Mulloy previously served as a member of the Commission from April 2001 to December 31, 2006.

Prior to assuming his current responsibilities, Commissioner Mulloy was nominated by President Clinton and confirmed by the U.S. Senate as Assistant Secretary for Market Access and Compliance in the Department of Commerce’s International Trade Administration, where he served from 1998 to 2001. In that position, Commissioner Mulloy directed a trade policy unit of over two hundred international trade specialists, which focused worldwide on removing foreign barriers to U.S. exports and on ensuring that foreign countries comply with trade agreements negotiated with the United States. This latter activity involved discussions both in the World Trade Organization (WTO) and with individual governments. He traveled extensively, meeting with foreign leaders to advance market-opening programs in the European Union, Eastern Europe, China, India, Taiwan, Indonesia, Canada, and Central and South America. He was also appointed by President Clinton to serve as a member of the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Prior to his employment as Assistant Secretary, Commissioner Mulloy served fifteen years in various senior positions on the staff of the U.S. Senate Banking Committee, including Chief International Counsel and General Counsel. In those positions, he contributed to much of the international trade and finance legislation

formulated by the Committee such as the Foreign Bank Supervision Enhancement Act of 1991, the Export Enhancement Act of 1992, the Defense Production Act Amendments of 1994, and titles of the Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988 dealing with foreign bribery, foreign investment, exchange rates, and export controls.

Before coming to the Senate, Commissioner Mulloy served as a senior attorney in the Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, where he directed a staff of lawyers and economists, which supervised participation by U.S. oil companies in the Paris-based International Energy Agency (IEA). In earlier duties at the Justice Department, he represented the United States in a variety of cases related to Federal environmental laws, including criminal and civil enforcement actions in various U.S. District Courts, several Circuit Courts of Appeal, and the U.S. Supreme Court.

Commissioner Mulloy began his public service career as a Foreign Service Officer at the U.S. Department of State, where he served in the Office of U.N. Political Affairs, the Office of International Environmental and Oceans Affairs, and as Vice Consul in the U.S. Consulate General in Montreal, Canada.

Commissioner Mulloy, a native of Kingston, Pennsylvania, holds an LL.M. from Harvard University Law School, a J.D. from George Washington University Law School, an M.A. from the University of Notre Dame, and a B.A. from King's College.

#### **Hon. William A. Reinsch**

William A. Reinsch was reappointed to the Commission by Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid for a fifth term expiring December 31, 2009.

On April 2, 2001, Commissioner Reinsch joined the National Foreign Trade Council as President. The council, founded in 1914, is the only business organization dedicated solely to trade policy, export finance, international tax, and human resource issues. The organization represents some 300 companies through its offices in New York and Washington, DC.

Prior to joining the National Foreign Trade Council, Commissioner Reinsch served as Under Secretary for Export Administration in the U.S. Department of Commerce. As head of the Bureau of Export Administration (subsequently renamed the Bureau of Industry and Security), he was charged with administering and enforcing the export control policies of the U.S. government, as well as its anti-boycott laws. In addition, the bureau is part of an inter-agency team helping Russia and other newly emerging nations develop effective export control systems and convert their defense industries to civilian production. Through its Office of Strategic Industries and Economic Security, the bureau is also responsible for monitoring and protecting the health of U.S. industries critical to our national security and defense industrial base and assisting in domestic defense conversion efforts. Major accomplishments during his tenure included: refocusing controls in light of economic globalization, most notably on high-performance computers, microprocessors, encryption, and other items; the first complete revision of the Export Administration regulations in over forty years; revis-

ing the interagency process for reviewing applications; and permitting electronic filing of applications over the Internet.

From 1991 through 1993, Commissioner Reinsch was a senior Legislative Assistant to Senator John D. Rockefeller IV, responsible for the senator's work on trade, international economic policy, foreign affairs, and defense. He also provided staff support for Senator Rockefeller's related efforts on the Finance Committee and the Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee.

From 1977 to 1991, Commissioner Reinsch served on the staff of the late Senator John Heinz as Chief Legislative Assistant, focusing on foreign trade and competitiveness policy issues. During that period, Senator Heinz was either Chairman or ranking minority member of the Banking Committee's Subcommittee on International Finance. He was also a member of the International Trade Subcommittee of the Finance Committee. Commissioner Reinsch provided staff support for the Senator on both subcommittees, which included participation in five revisions of the Export Administration Act and work on four major trade bills. Prior to 1977, Commissioner Reinsch was a Legislative Assistant to Representatives Richard Ottinger and Gilbert Gude, acting Staff Director of the House Environmental Study Conference, and a teacher in Maryland.

During his tenure as Under Secretary, Commissioner Reinsch delivered more than two hundred speeches and testified fifty-three times before various committees of Congress. His publications include "Why China Matters to the Health of the U.S. Economy," in *Economics and National Security: The Case of China*, 2002; "The Role and Effectiveness of U.S. Export Control Policy in the Age of Globalization," *The Monitor* (Center for International Trade and Security: Spring 2000); "Export Controls in the Age of Globalization," *The Monitor* (Center for International Trade and Security: Summer 1999); "Should Uncle Sam Control U.S. Technology Exports?" *Insight Magazine*, September 8, 1997; "Encryption Policy Strikes a Balance," *Journal of Commerce*, March 5, 1997; "Building a New Economic Relationship with Japan," in I.M. Destler and Yankelovich, D., eds., *Beyond the Beltway: Engaging the Public in U.S. Foreign Policy* (W.W. Norton: April 1994).

In addition to his legislative work, Commissioner Reinsch served as an adjunct associate professor at the University of Maryland University College Graduate School of Management and Technology, teaching a course in international trade and trade policy. He is also a member of the Boards of the Middle East Institute and of the Executive Council on Diplomacy.

Commissioner Reinsch received a B.A. degree in International Relations from the Johns Hopkins University and an M.A. degree from the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. He is married with two children and lives in Bethesda, Maryland.

#### **Hon. Dennis C. Shea**

Commissioner Dennis C. Shea was appointed to the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission on February 17, 2007, by Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell for a term expiring on December 31, 2008.

Commissioner Shea is an attorney with more than 20 years of experience in government and public policy. Mr. Shea began his career as a corporate lawyer at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom. In 1988, he joined the Office of Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole as counsel and later became the office's deputy chief of staff. In these capacities, he advised Senator Dole and other Republican Senators on a broad range of domestic policy issues, was involved in the drafting of numerous pieces of legislation, and was recognized as one of the most influential staffers on Capitol Hill. Mr. Shea's service in the Office of the Senate Republican Leader was interrupted in 1992, when he ran for Congress in New York's 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District after receiving the Republican and Conservative Party nominations.

In 1995 and 1996, Mr. Shea continued to help shape the national public policy debate while serving as director of policy for the Dole for President campaign.

Following the 1996 presidential election, Mr. Shea worked in the private sector, providing legislative and public affairs counsel to Fortune 500 companies, major U.S. financial institutions, professional associations, and children's hospitals, while employed at BKSH & Associates and Verner, Liipfert, Bernhard, McPherson and Hand. Mr. Shea also served as a consultant to the American Enterprise Institute and The Brookings Institution on a report that outlined recommendations for reforming the independent counsel statute.

In 2003, Mr. Shea was named the executive director of the President's Commission on the U.S. Postal Service. Many of the commission's recommendations were adopted as part of postal reform legislation recently enacted by Congress and signed into law. In 2004, Mr. Shea was nominated by President George W. Bush and later confirmed as assistant secretary for Policy Development and Research ("PD&R") at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). As the head of the PD&R office, Mr. Shea led a team responsible for conducting much of the critical economic analysis necessary to support HUD's mission. In 2005, Mr. Shea left HUD to serve as senior advisor to Senator Elizabeth Dole in her capacity as chair of the National Republican Senatorial Committee.

Mr. Shea received a J.D., an M.A. in American History, and a B.A. in government, all from Harvard University. He is admitted to the bar in New York and the District of Columbia.

Mr. Shea currently resides in Alexandria, Virginia, with his wife Elizabeth and daughter Juliette.

### **Daniel M. Slane**

Daniel M. Slane was appointed to the Commission by House Minority Leader John Boehner on December 10, 2007 for a two year term expiring on December 31, 2009.

Mr. Slane is the founder and co-owner of the Slane Company whose principal businesses include real estate development, lumber, furniture, waste treatment, telecommunications, energy and medical treatment for cancer tumors. Prior to becoming a member of the Commission, Mr. Slane manufactured plywood and related wood products at factories in Harbin, Dalian, Fuzhou and Balu

(Pizhou), China. The Company also has a trading office in Fuzhou, China and employs 136 Chinese staff. (In 2007 he sold his interest in this company). Mr. Slane has extensive international business experience, including operating a business in China.

Mr. Slane served two years on active duty as a U.S. Army Captain in Military Intelligence. He served for a number of years as a Case Officer with the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency. He worked in the White House under President Gerald R. Ford.

Mr. Slane was the former Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Ohio State University. Ohio State is the nation's largest university with an annual budget of \$4 billion dollars. He is also the former chairman of University Hospital, a 1,000 bed regional hospital in Columbus and the former chairman of the James Cancer Hospital, one of eleven NIC Comprehensive Cancer Centers in the country. He currently serves on the board of two financial institutions and on a number of non-profit boards.

He received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration and Juris Doctor Degree in Law from The Ohio State University. He holds a Master's Degree in International Law from the Europa Institute at the University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Mr. Slane is a member of the Ohio Bar and formerly a partner in the law firm of Grieser, Schafer, Blumenstiel and Slane.

#### **Peter Videnieks**

Peter Videnieks was appointed by Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid on January 12, 2007, for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2008.

Prior to his appointment, Commissioner Videnieks served on the staff of Senator Robert C. Byrd (D-WVA), President Pro Tempore of the United States Senate and Chairman of the U.S. Senate Appropriations Committee, as an advisor on international affairs and energy issues. He also served on the staffs of the U.S. Trade Deficit Review Commission and the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission. Mr. Videnieks was previously a contracting officer for NASA, the Justice Department, and the U.S. Customs Service, where he was Division Director. He has also been an IRS revenue officer. He holds degrees from the University of Maryland (B.A. economics) and the George Washington University (M.S.A. with concentration in procurement and contracting). Mr. Videnieks was born in Latvia and lives with his wife Barbara on a farm in Northern Virginia. His language skills are: Latvian, Spanish, and German.

#### **Michael R. Wessel**

Michael R. Wessel is an original member of the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission and was re-appointed by House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2008.

Commissioner Wessel is President of The Wessel Group Inc., a public affairs consulting firm offering expertise in government, politics, and international affairs. He was formerly the Executive Vice President at the Downey McGrath Group, Inc. He served on the staff of House Democratic Leader Richard A. Gephardt for more

than twenty years, leaving his position as General Counsel in March 1998. In addition to his duties as General Counsel, Commissioner Wessel was Mr. Gephardt's chief policy advisor, strategist, and negotiator. He was responsible for the development, coordination, management, and implementation of the Democratic Leader's overall policy and political objectives, with specific responsibility for international trade, finance, economics, labor, and taxation.

During his more than twenty years on Capitol Hill, Commissioner Wessel served in a number of positions: He was Mr. Gephardt's principal Ways and Means aide, where he developed and implemented numerous tax and trade policy initiatives. He participated in the enactment of every major trade policy initiative from 1978 to his departure in 1998. In the late 1980s, he was the Executive Director of the House Trade and Competitiveness Task Force, where he was responsible for the Democrats' trade and competitiveness agenda as well as overall coordination of the Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988.

He was intimately involved in the development of comprehensive tax reform legislation in the early 1980s and every major tax bill during his tenure. Beginning in 1989, he became the principal advisor to the Democratic Leadership on economic policy matters and served as tax policy coordinator to the 1990 budget summit. In 1995, he developed the 10 percent Tax Plan, a comprehensive tax reform initiative that would enable roughly four out of five taxpayers to pay no more than a ten percent rate in federal income taxes. It became the principal Democratic tax reform alternative. In 1988, he served as National Issues Director to Gephardt's Presidential campaign. During the 1992 Clinton/Gore campaign, he assisted on a broad range of issues and served as a Senior Policy Advisor to the Clinton/Gore transition office. In 2004 he was a senior policy advisor to the Gephardt for President campaign and later co-chaired the Trade Policy Group for the Kerry-Edwards campaign.

He has coauthored a number of articles with Democratic Leader Gephardt and a book, *An Even Better Place: America in the 21st Century* (Public Affairs: 1999). Commissioner Wessel served as a member of the U.S. Trade Deficit Review Commission in 1999–2000, a congressionally created commission charged with studying the nature, causes and consequences of the U.S. merchandise trade and current account deficits. He also currently serves as a member on the Board of Directors of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co., one of the world's largest tire companies.

Commissioner Wessel holds a B.A. and a J.D. from George Washington University. He is a member of the bar of the District of Columbia and Pennsylvania and is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. He and his wife Andrea have four children.

### **Larry M. Wortzel, Ph.D., Chairman**

Larry M. Wortzel was reappointed by House Speaker J. Dennis Hastert on December 8, 2006 for a third term expiring December 31, 2008. Chairman Wortzel was unanimously elected as the Commissioner's Chairman for the 2008 report cycle. He also served as Chairman for the 2006 report cycle.

He previously served as the Director of the Asian Studies Center and Vice President for foreign policy at the Heritage Foundation.

A leading authority on China, Asia, national security, and military strategy, Commissioner Wortzel had a distinguished thirty-two-year career in the U.S. armed forces. His last military position was as director of the Strategic Studies Institute of the U.S. Army War College.

Following three years in the Marine Corps, Commissioner Wortzel enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1970. His first assignment with the Army Security Agency took him to Thailand, where he focused on Chinese military communications in Vietnam and Laos. Within three years, he had graduated Infantry Officer Candidate School, as well as both Airborne and Ranger schools. After serving four years as an infantry officer, he shifted to military intelligence. Wortzel traveled regularly throughout Asia while serving the U.S. Pacific Command as a political-military affairs analyst from 1978 to 1982. The following year he attended the National University of Singapore, where he studied advanced Chinese and traveled in China and Southeast Asia. He next worked for the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, developing counterintelligence programs to protect emerging defense technologies from foreign espionage. In addition, he managed programs to gather foreign intelligence for the Army Intelligence and Security Command.

From 1988 to 1990, Commissioner Wortzel was Assistant Army Attaché at the U.S. Embassy in China, where he witnessed and reported on the Tiananmen Massacre. After assignments as an Army strategist and managing Army intelligence officers, he returned to China in 1995 as the Army Attaché. In December 1997, he became a faculty member of the U.S. Army War College, serving as director of the Strategic Studies Institute. He retired from the Army as a colonel.

Commissioner Wortzel's books include *Class in China: Stratification in a Classless Society* (Greenwood Press: 1987), *China's Military Modernization: International Implications* (Greenwood: 1988), *The Chinese Armed Forces in the 21st Century* (Carlisle, PA: 1999), and *Dictionary of Contemporary Chinese Military History* (Greenwood: 1999). He regularly publishes articles on Asian security matters.

A graduate of the Armed Forces Staff College and the U.S. Army War College, Commissioner Wortzel earned his B.A. from Columbus College, Georgia, and his M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Hawaii. He and his wife, Christine, have two married sons and two grandchildren.