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Secretary of Natural Resources since March 7, 2003. Acting Secretary of Natural Resources, January 20 to March 7, 2003.

Chair, Governor's Council on the Chesapeake Bay (Governor's Chesapeake Bay Cabinet), 2003-; Executive Committee for Dredged Material Management Plans, 2003-; Rural Legacy Board, 2003-; Scenic and Wild Rivers Review Board, 2003-. Member, Governor's Executive Council, 2003-; *Smart Growth Subcabinet*, 2003-; Maryland

Agricultural Education and Rural Development Assistance Board, 2003-; Task Force to Study the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation, 2003-05; Blue Crab Task Force, 2003-; Chesapeake Bay Commission, 2003-; Critical Area Commission for the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays, 2003-; Chesapeake Bay Trust, 2003-; Maryland Heritage Areas Authority, 2003-; Interdepartmental Advisory Committee for Minority Affairs, 2003-; Interagency Nutrient Reduction Oversight Committee, 2003-; Governor's Pesticide Council, 2003; Pesticide Advisory Committee, 2003-; Potomac River Fisheries Commission, 2003-; Rural Maryland Council, 2003-; Task Force to Study the Economic Development of the Maryland Seafood and Aquaculture Industries, 2003-04; Seafood Marketing Advisory Committee, 2003-; State Soil Conservation Committee, 2003-; Transportation Enhancements Program Executive Committee, 2003-; Advisory Committee on the Management and Protection of the State's Water Resources, 2003-04. Board of Directors, Maryland Agricultural and Resource-Based Industry Development Corporation, 2004-. Member, Task Force to Study Alternative Living Arrangements for Children in Out-of-Home Placement, 2003-04; Bay Restoration Fund Advisory Committee, 2004-; Governor's Commission for Protecting the Chesapeake Bay through Sustainable Forestry, 2005-; Task Force on Traffic Capacity Across the Chesapeake Bay, 2005-.

Member of House of Delegates, 1991-95, representing District 36 (Queen Anne's, Caroline, Cecil, Kent & Talbot Counties). Member, Ways and Means Committee, 1991, 1993-95 (transportation subcommittee); Judiciary Committee, 1992.

Former member, secretary, president, Maryland State Board of Dental Examiners. Member, Governor-elect's Transition Team, 2002-03.

Born in Washington, DC, February 6, 1942. Western Maryland College; University of Maryland College Park; Georgetown University Dental School, D.D.S., cum laude, 1966. Member, Omicron Kappa Upsilon (dental equivalent of Phi Beta Kappa). Served in U.S. Air Force Dental Corps, 1966-69. Dentist. Owner, Kayaking & fly-fishing business. Chief Examiner, Northeast Regional Board of Dental Examiners. Former member, National Accrediting Committee for State Dental Programs; Eastern Shore Health Planning Council. Eastern Shore representative, Dental Advisory Council to Blue Cross/Blue Shield. Founder and teacher in Dental Assisting programs at Chesapeake Community College. Former member and officer, PTA; nominated to Anne Arundel County School Board. Member, Advisory Board for Health and Physical Education, Chesapeake Community College. Member, Queen Anne's County Chamber of Commerce; Maryland Farm Bureau, 1975-; Moose. Clinical Diligence Award for Outstanding Clinician, Omicron Kappa Upsilon. Married; two daughters; three grandchildren.

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