

graduation from law school, he was admitted to the Virginia Bar and worked as a solicitor in the Corporate Law Department of the Southern Railway (July to October 1969) before joining the U.S. Navy (October 1969 to August 1974). In the Navy he served on active duty as a Navy Judge Advocate in Japan (2 years), Vietnam (1 year), and Florida (1 year). In the course of that he prosecuted, and defended, in over 200 courts-martial, and served as trial judge in others. For this service he was awarded Navy Achievement Medal twice, for performance in Japan and Vietnam.

After his Naval service, he continued in public service from November 1975 to June 1980, with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). While at NOAA, he served as Special Assistant to the NOAA Administrator and as well as in progressively senior positions in the NOAA General Counsel's Office. As Senior Counsel for International Law, he was the Commerce Department's legal representative on U.S. international delegations for the negotiation of major treaties involving fisheries, wildlife, and maritime boundaries. As Deputy Assistant General Counsel for Fisheries, he was one of the two main legal advisers to the Director of the National Marine Fisheries Service and carried out the overall supervision and office management of the attorneys and staff. As Staff Attorney, he worked closely with the General Counsel and Deputy General Counsel on a wide range of legal issues and represented NOAA in Administrative Law Judge proceedings.

In 1980 he began his illustrious and distinguished career with the United States Congress. While Jim worked his entire congressional career in the Senate, I say United States Congress because his contributions to legislation and legislative process benefited the entire institution, not just one body. For over 18 years he served as Counsel to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation in positions requiring senior-level policy and managerial experience in the fields of commerce, transportation, communications, science and technology, natural resources, and consumer affairs. Many of those years he worked for the distinguished Senator from South Carolina, Senator Fritz Hollings, who was always a gentleman to this Member and a great friend to my dear friend, Senator Ted Stevens. During this tenure at the Commerce Committee Jim was Senior Democratic Counsel for Oceans and Atmosphere (June 1980 to July 1987), nonpartisan Legislative Counsel (July 1987 to May 1994), and Democratic General Counsel/General Counsel (May 1994 to 1999). Throughout his service, and in addition to his considerable substantive contributions in the matters before Congress, Jim provided advice and guidance on parliamentary procedure, the Congressional Budget Act, ethics requirements, and other legal and policy matters. He had daily contact with Democratic floor staff regarding Senate floor action that affected Commerce Committee legislation, participated in the day-to-day management and supervision of the Democratic staff, ensured that documents relating to hearings, markups, and other meetings of Members and the Committee were comprehensive and legally and factually correct, and maintained regular and excellent relationships with Republican staff. Jim's hallmark was his dedicated, calm, and profes-

sional manner that provided all Members regardless of political party or philosophical establishment the best support and advice possible.

After this illustrious career in public service, he struck out and went into private law practice. There he took with him and used all of the legislative and ethics skills he developed over the years. He served clients in both the public and private sector, in maritime, fisheries, and natural resources. His approach to client advocacy was one of impeccable integrity, professional skill, and thoroughness in advice. Jim's advice was rightly sought because of this approach. Jim really cared about helping people—everyday people including many in my own State. He tried his best to find compromise and a way to get things done, and a way to get to “yes” on difficult problems so that his fellow citizens could benefit. There is much said today to malign those in the law and lobbying business and those who go from positions in government to the private sector. For those who want to know how our system should work, and does work, they need only look to the career of James S.W. Drewry. Jim's pursuit of truth, excellence, and integrity were unparalleled in the Washington community.

Now he moves on to a justly deserved retirement but one that we hope will keep him active in area of public policy development and implementation. He comes from a long line of public servants from Virginia having a grandfather, Patrick Henry Drewry, who served in the Congress as Member of this House and a father, John Metcalf Drewry, who served as a chief counsel for the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee in the House of Representatives. Jim was not content to rest on the laurels of his family legacy, however, and as you can see from this account, distinguished himself in his own right. I join with throngs of his friends and colleagues in saying that the likes of Jim Drewry do not come along everyday and his service to and with us all will be truly missed. With that I send him my very best wishes and also to his wife, Maria, and two sons, for many years of a healthy and prosperous “next chapter” in his life.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

### HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 17, 2009*

Mr. SIMPSON. Madam Speaker, in accordance with the policies and standards put forth by the House Appropriations Committee and the GOP Leadership, I submit a list of the congressionally-directed projects I have requested in my home state of Idaho that are contained in the report of HR 2847, Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Project Name: Boise Center Aerospace Laboratory (BCAL) Watershed Modeling Utilizing LiDAR at Idaho State University  
Amount Requested: \$500,000  
Account: Department of Commerce NOAA  
Recipient: Idaho State University  
Recipient's Street Address: 921 South 8th Avenue Stop 8007, Pocatello, Idaho 83209  
Description: ISU's Department of Geosciences has developed free spatial analysis

tools available to the public for remote sensing and geographic information sciences (GIS). The remote sensing tools include a downloadable toolbox for analyzing light detection and ranging (LiDAR) data LiDAR is an imaging method using a laser mounted on an aircraft to determine precise vertical information (topography) of the earth's surface (15 cm precision). Commonly, this information is translated into high-resolution digital elevation models (DEMs) LiDAR can provide both a bare earth surface and the vegetated (or built) surface. LiDAR can also provide topographic data below water. Specifically to the concern of NOAA and the State of Idaho, LiDAR can provide up to date and precise flood plain maps for rivers with built environments (such as the Boise River) to guide decisions on flood insurance coverage and land use restrictions. These predictive maps can also aid in evacuation of people and livestock during an impending flood. This project will leverage existing infrastructure and expertise at ISU to develop state-of-the-art watershed modeling tools for NOAA and other federal agencies. These tools will enable better management of watersheds through improved topographic analyses for prediction of runoff, floods, and water storage capacity. Hyperspectral analysis (soils and vegetation) will be coupled with the LiDAR data for a full characterization, spectrally and spatially of the landscape. These analyses will allow for studies of vegetation structure, dependence of vegetation, soils, and earth processes (e.g. fire, erosion) on topology (slope and aspect, drainages, surface roughness). The goal of this research and its resulting algorithms and tools is to significantly benefit NOAA in its ability to convert LiDAR data into usable derivative datasets for environmental and safety applications in Idaho and elsewhere.

Project Name: Idaho Meth Project  
Amount Requested: \$1,000,000  
Account: Department of Justice COPS Meth  
Recipient: Idaho Meth Project  
Recipient's Street Address: 304 N. 8th Street, Room 446, Boise, Idaho 83702

Description: Methamphetamine trafficking and abuse in Idaho has been on the rise over the past few years and, as a result, meth is having a devastating impact in many communities throughout Idaho. Meth is the number one illegal drug of choice in Idaho and the State's leading drug problem. The financial and social consequences of meth abuse in Idaho are devastating. It is a contributing cause for much of the crime in Idaho, costs millions of dollars in productivity, contributes to the ever increasing prison populations and adversely impacts families. The Idaho Meth Project is a large-scale, statewide prevention and public awareness program designed to reduce the prevalence of first-time methamphetamine abuse in Idaho by influencing attitudes through high-impact advertising. The Idaho Meth Project is focused solely upon prevention and, to achieve this goal, is active in three areas: public service messaging, community action and public policy. This includes a pervasive media campaign reaching the target population through TV, radio, billboards, print, and the Internet.

Project Name: Idaho State Police to participate in the Criminal Information Sharing Alliance Network (CISANet)  
Amount Requested: \$500,000  
Account: Department of Justice COPS Law Enforcement Technology

Recipient: Idaho State Police

Recipient's Street Address: 700 South Stratford, Meridian, Idaho 83642

Description: In 2006, the Idaho State Police (ISP) developed and deployed, on a limited basis, a web-based Case Investigative System (CIS). This tool allows investigators to collect, use and share critical law enforcement information across the state. CISAnet provides a bi-directional information-sharing network within and between state and local law enforcement agencies. CISAnet provides ISP and law enforcement across Idaho with real time access to criminal intelligence information shared by law enforcement partner agencies within the states of Alabama, Arizona, California, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas. This ten state area is regarded as one of the most vulnerable to our nation's security—a 'soft spot' through which illegal Mexican immigrants filter, illegal drug trafficking passes and terrorists move freely. It is believed that securing this porous border with Mexico is an effective way to protect American citizens. The CISAnet system provides an effective means for law enforcement agencies to share information across state lines on known or suspected criminal activity. Together, access to CISAnet, Idaho's Fusion Center and remote access to CIS will ensure that Idaho state and local law enforcement officers have the best information available in a timely manner. In today's environment, these systems are an effective way to monitor illegal drug and terrorist activity and identify, target and locate potential terrorists. These systems are important components of an overall prevention strategy and are crucial to protecting the citizens of Idaho and the United States' homeland security. The Criminal Information Sharing Alliance network (CISAnet) FY2010 federal funding will be used to continue the integration of CIS into the CISAnet infrastructure, to expand its capabilities by adding a Geo coding module and by integrating CIS, RMS and CISAnet into Idaho's Criminal Intelligence Center.

Project Name: NCOMS Medical and Mental Health Sharing Software Development

Amount Requested: \$500,000

Account: Department of Justice Byrne Discretionary Grants

Recipient: Idaho Department of Corrections

Recipient's Street Address: 1299 North Orchard, Suite 110, Boise, Idaho 83706.

Description: States are legally mandated to provide appropriate medical care to incarcerated individuals. These funds will be used to create, modularize and implement the medical/mental health module for the National Consortium of Offender Management Systems (NCOMS). This technology will allow public safety organizations that house offenders to track and record the medical information to ensure that offenders receive proper medical treatment.

I appreciate the opportunity to provide a list of Congressionally-directed projects in the FY2010 Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies Appropriations bill on behalf of Idaho and provide an explanation of my support for them.

HONORING KENNETH WAYNE HUDSON

### HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 17, 2009

Mr. POE of Texas. Madam Speaker, I would like to recognize and thank Kenneth Wayne Hudson for his service in the United States Navy. The hard work and devotion he has demonstrated through out his career serves as an example to us all. Kenny has served our country with courage and honor both at home and abroad.

See Madam Speaker, during the Vietnam War Kenny chose to leave high school before graduating to serve his country. After the war, he began his career and was never able to return to school to obtain his high school diploma. It is with great pleasure that I am today congratulating Kenny on his most deserved accomplishment of receiving his high school diploma from Humble High School. I know all his family and friends are very proud.

Kenny has recently retired from the workforce and I know he will enjoy the company of his wife Becky and three children, Michelle, Chad and Todd.

This great country will forever be in Kenny's debt. I wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors. He will continue to reach new levels of accomplishment.

We appreciate his service to America and his commitment to keeping our nation the "Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave."

And that's just the way it is.

TRIBUTE TO LIEUTENANT COLONEL KENNETH A. REIMAN

### HON. PARKER GRIFFITH

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 17, 2009

Mr. GRIFFITH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the outstanding career and contributions of Lt. Col. Kenneth A. Reiman. Lieutenant Colonel Reiman is retiring from his most recent position as Deputy Director of the Test Support Group for the Missile Defense Agency at Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville, Alabama.

Prior to assuming his current position, Lt. Col. Reiman was Program Director of the Missile Defense Agency's Ground-based Mid-course Defense Program for Ground and Flight Test Execution. He has served 23 years as an Air Force officer and has spent a lifetime serving his country.

Lt. Col. Reiman has always played an important role in the development of North Alabama's missile defense community and our nation's defense. His dynamic leadership and exceptional technical skills directly resulted in the Missile Defense Agency's successful execution of its \$2 billion per year flight and ground test programs.

Reiman's distinguished career reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Department of Defense, and the Tennessee Valley.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of everyone in North Alabama, I rise to express my gratitude

to Lt. Col. Kenneth A. Reiman for his many years of service to the United States of America.

TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM JOSEPH BURKE, SR., ESQ.

### HON. BILL PASCHELL, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 17, 2009

Mr. PASCHELL. Madam Speaker, I would like to call to your attention the work of an outstanding individual, William "Bill" Joseph Burke, Sr., Esq. Mr. Burke will be recognized on June 16, 2009 with the Ram of the Year Award for his dedication to the Fordham University family.

It is only fitting that William "Bill" Joseph Burke, Sr., Esq. be honored, in this, the permanent record of the greatest freely elected body on Earth, for he is a true embodiment of the American dream and sets a great example in giving back to his community.

The job of a United States Congressman involves so much that is rewarding, yet nothing compares to learning about and recognizing the efforts of individuals like Mr. Burke. As a fellow alumnus of Fordham University, I am proud to bestow this honor onto William "Bill" Joseph Burke, Sr., Esq.

Madam Speaker, I ask that you join our colleagues, Bill's family and friends, all those whose lives have been influenced by Bill, the students, faculty and alumni of Fordham University and me in recognizing the outstanding and invaluable service of William "Bill" Joseph Burke, Sr., Esq.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JACK M. FARMER

### HON. HEATH SHULER

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 17, 2009

Mr. SHULER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Mr. Jack M. Farmer, a distinguished member of our Western North Carolina community. Mr. Farmer dedicated his life to benefiting his community, and it was with great communal sadness that we mourned Mr. Farmer when passed away on September 26, 2008. He is survived by his wife, Nancy Leming Farmer, his sons, Bruce Alan Farmer and Phillip Marlowe Farmer, and 6 grandchildren.

Mr. Farmer was born on July 8, 1957 in Haywood County, North Carolina. A graduate of the Florida School of Forestry, he went on to serve as the District Ranger of North Carolina District 9 for 37 years. Because of his outstanding service, Mr. Farmer was awarded the Order of the Long Leaf Pine in 2000 by Governor Jim Hunt. The Order of the Long Leaf Pine is one of the most prominent awards presented by the Governor of North Carolina, only available to those who have dedicated over 30 years of service to the state.

In addition to his forestry service, Mr. Farmer was actively involved in his community. He was instrumental in the establishment of Pinnacle Park, an 1,100 acre public park filled with frequently used hiking trails. Mr. Farmer