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John McClain is a senior professional with over 25 years of experience analyzing the Washington region. For fifteen years he was at the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments where he directed the planning and policy programs and economic and demographic forecasting programs for the Washington region. He helped establish and for several years directed the Cooperative Forecasting Program, which provided official forecasts for metropolitan and local planning programs in the region.

He was a senior executive at the Greater Washington Board of Trade, where he directed policy and research programs for the region's business community. He helped establish and direct The Potomac Conference, a process of convening the region's public and private sector leadership to address regional issues. He created the "State of Potomac" presentation and other economic research and analytical materials regarding the size and changing nature of the regional economy. Following his work at the Board of Trade, Professor McClain directed economic and real estate research for the Northeast region of the U.S. for a major international commercial real estate company.

He received a BS in Civil Engineering from Duke University and a Masters of Regional Planning from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He is a former member of the Board of Directors of the American Planning Association, the National Capital Region Technology Investor Conference, and the Arlington County Planning Commission. He received the 1998 Individual Achievement Award for service to the Washington region by the National Capital Chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers. He is a graduate of Leadership Washington.

ALAN E. PISARSKI

Writer, analyst, consultant in the fields of transportation research, policy and Investment

At the national level he has been invited frequently to testify in both Houses of the United States Congress on many occasions regarding economic and demographic factors that define travel demand, infrastructure investment requirements and public policy.

At the state level he has been invited to advise state Gubernatorial and Legislative Commissions regarding their economic, social, demographic and infrastructure circumstances. (Arizona, Washington, Georgia, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Kansas, Ohio, Wisconsin, Texas, Virginia, and Maryland)

Internationally he has served the US AID, the World Bank, the United Nations, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, the European Union, the World Tourism Organization and the European Tourism Commission.

As a writer and consultant in transportation public policy, travel behavior analysis and statistics his work related to transportation, particularly commuting and travel behavior, has been reviewed, discussed and quoted in all of the major national news magazines, and newspapers, appearing often on major national radio and television network programs, including the "Today Show", "Good Morning America," NBC, CBS and ABC Nightly News, "Nightline," and "20/20," discussing national transportation topics. Last year he completed the third in the Commuting in America series; and his latest "Bottom Line Report" for AASHTO addressing national reauthorization investment needs was released in the Spring of 2009.

RECENT AWARDS:

1999, Invited to give the Distinguished Lecture at Transportation Research Board of National Academy of Sciences.

2000, P.D. McLean Award for outstanding contributions to the advancement of highway transportation in the public interest.

2003, Lawrence J. Truitt Award for Public Administration by the Section on Transportation Policy of American Society of Public Administration.

2004, named among the top 100 transportation figures in the 20th century by the American Road and Transportation Builders Association, ARTBA.

2005, elected to membership in the Cosmos Club based on his contributions to science and society.

2007, received the W.N. Carey Award for Lifetime Distinguished Service and Leadership in Transportation Research from the Transportation Research Board of the National Academies.