



LEONARD B. FITCH

DESIGNATIONS, EDUCATION, TRAINING, and PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

M.B.A., Business Administration, National University, 1975
B.S. Secondary Education, Pennsylvania State University, 1969
Student, U.S. Navy Basic Officers' Submarine School, 1970

UNIQUE OR SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS:

Mr. Fitch is a technical consultant and researcher currently supporting legal teams responding to asbestos and other toxic tort litigation. His primary responsibilities are to locate and analyze U.S. Navy ship design, development, construction, maintenance and repair records, plans, and photographs with special emphasis on toxic substance exposure analysis. In addition to this primary research, he also researches U.S. Navy personnel records and Navy/Military specifications and qualified product lists. This research, combined with Mr. Fitch's experience, training and education have provided him with a unique grasp of the naval and maritime practices and policies from the 1940's through the 1970's.

Mr. Fitch has extensive experience in submarine operations and maintenance from operational unit to tender and shipyard repair work.

PUBLICATIONS

Co-author; "The Management and Construction Oversight Special Appropriations Environmental Infrastructure Projects"; presented to the New England Water Environmental Federation, 2005

WORK HISTORY

McCaffery & Associates, Inc.

September 2005 to present

Current Position Title: Researcher

Mr. Fitch works with a team of current and former naval and maritime officers who research naval and maritime ship design, construction, maintenance and repair records in support of toxic tort litigation. The majority of this work is conducted at the National Archives or other libraries in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. Research is also conducted at National Archive sites throughout the country. Researchers work not only with original correspondence files, but with microfilm, original ship plans, still and motion pictures. This multi-media approach provides clients with the widest possible range of options for evidence and testimony in each case. Mr. Fitch serves as the company's subject matter expert in submarine, submarine rescue vessel and muster roll research and analysis.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

1980 - 2005

Position Title: Program Manager, Special Appropriations Projects (Final position)

Worked in several professional and senior positions at EPA within the Office of Water. Areas of responsibility included:

- Program Manager, Special Appropriations Projects: Mr. Fitch was responsible for the program management and construction oversight of more than 2,000 special appropriation environmental infrastructure construction projects worth \$8.7 billion.
- Acting Deputy Director, Municipal Support Division: Responsible for the day-to-day management of the Division's three branches of staff of 70 and the direct supervision of the Division Office staff of five.
- Special Assistant to the Director of the Office of Science and Technology: Mr. Fitch was responsible for the smooth operation of the Office, comprised of three function offices with over 100 staff members.
- Analyst: Managed and developed the economic analysis for the Phase II Storm Water Regulation.
- Congressional Liaison, Office of Water: Provided assistance to Congress during the reauthorization process of the Clean Water Act. Mr. Fitch worked independently in this capacity, developing options for funding allotment formulas with senior committee staff and individual members of the U.S. Congress from the two EPA authorization committees from both houses of Congress.
- Section Chief: Mr. Fitch managed a staff responsible for these major functions: budget preparation for the Office of Water, management of contracts for professional services to assist the Program Office in conducting its

responsibilities, oversight and evaluation of EPA Regional programs, and a national survey of the state needs for wastewater treatment infrastructure. Mr. Fitch was personally responsible for the estimation and management of expenditures related to the largest program at EPA. Mr. Fitch was always able to meet the Office of Management Budget (OMB) target of plus or minus five percent during his tenure in this program.

- Analyst: Participated in developing the State Revolving Loan Program, funded by EPA for the States to establish wastewater treatment infrastructures. Mr. Fitch managed the review and approval process for the first grant award to a state under that program. Mr. Fitch was awarded an EPA Bronze Medal, the Agency's third highest award, for his efforts and performance in this project.
- Project Manager: Managed \$25 million per year interagency agreement between EPA and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE), in which the COE provided the equivalent of 600 people to oversee and inspect construction projects funded by EPA to build waste water treatment facilities. Responsible for the management, tracking of fund and staff usage and oversight of inspections conducted by the COE.

U.S. Veterans Administration**1974 to 1980****Position Title:** Senior Auditor (final position)

Mr. Fitch used his leadership skills in two separate offices of the U.S. Veterans Administration.

- Senior Auditor: In the Washington, DC Office of Audit, Mr. Fitch assisted in conducting audits of VA hospitals and other facilities. He served as auditor-in-charge on a number of audit projects. Responsible for site selection, actual conduct of the on-site audit, and report development. Mr. Fitch audited the management and disposition of foreclosed property, and the sharing of medical resources between the VA and other federal agencies and departments, including the Department of Defense. Results of both audits resulted in significant savings for the federal government.
- Benefits Counselor: Worked as a Veterans Benefits Counselor in the San Diego Regional Office. Responsible for resolving issues related to non-payment of both education and disability benefits and ensured that the veterans received their benefits. Mr. Fitch was the work leader responsible for two work units and a staff of 8.

Prudential Insurance Company**1973 to 1974****Position Title:** Insurance Salesman

Mr. Fitch sold life and disability insurance.

U.S. Navy

1969 to 1973

Position Title: Lieutenant (final rank), Submarine Officer

Served as an Officer on both submarines and submarine rescue vessels. Duties included serving as Division Officer (assistant engineer and assistant weapons officer), Department Head (operations and supply) and Senior Watch Officer. Qualified as Officer of the Deck underway on both types of vessels. Supervised two officers and up to 25 enlisted men.

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