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For the past 25 years, the consulting firm of Gray & Oscar, LLC has specialized in a variety of federal issues, including government procurement contracts, transportation, renewable energy, environmental and conservation programs, bio-technology and rural development. Additionally, the firm secured numerous federal appropriations for specific programs and drafted authorizing legislative language in several federal statutes. On July 6, 2010, Bob Gray partnered with Michael Oscar, who worked as a senior legislative, political and administrative advisor for U.S. Senator Arlen Specter and U.S. Congressman Robert Borski.

Bob Gray

Bob Gray is a managing partner at Gray and Oscar, LLC. A graduate of Cornell University, Mr. Gray has more than thirty years experience in public policy matters. Following two years of active duty with the US Army, Mr. Gray taught high school in upstate New York and served as a Senior Planner with the Cayuga County, New York Planning Board. He then became Budget Director for the Vermont Attorney General's office before being selected by Congressman James M. Jeffords (VT) to serve as a professional staff member to the U.S. House Agriculture Committee. He later acted as Congressman Jeffords' Chief of Staff.

Secretary of Agriculture Bob Bergland chose Mr. Gray to head up the National Agricultural Land Study (NALS), a comprehensive review of the loss of farm land to urban uses and a number of key recommendations to mitigate the problem. Following the completion of NALS, he joined the American Farmland Trust, a private, non-profit conservation organization as Director of Policy Development.

In 1985 Mr. Gray started his own consulting firm which specialized in agricultural policy issues, rural development, energy, and technology transfer. He has been heavily involved in several Farm Bills over the past twenty years and has been highly successful in obtaining a number of key provisions in a variety of agricultural, rural development, conservation, and energy programs. He has also worked on immigration reform, food safety, and federal nutrition program legislation. In addition he has been successful in achieving a number of victories in appropriation bills in research, technology transfer, and renewable energy funding.

As well as being published in several agricultural and conservation organization periodicals, Mr. Gray is the recipient of the Gulf Oil Conservation Award; the National Association of Counties Distinguished Public Service Award; Natural Resources Council of America Award of Achievement for Legislation; and the National Center for Resource Innovations Distinguished Service Award.

Mike Oscar

Mike Oscar is a managing partner at Gray and Oscar, LLC. Prior to his partnership, Mr. Oscar worked in the public sector for twelve years, most recently as senior legislative and political staff to US Sen. Arlen Specter, where he worked for eight years. His tenure as Congressional staff has spanned both Republican and Democratic offices, giving Mr. Oscar a unique set of contacts and networks to access on behalf of his clients.

Mr. Oscar's diverse political experience began as a Deputy Political Director to Congressman Borski and continued as a policy analyst for Governor Edward Rendell's first gubernatorial race. While serving on Sen. Specter's staff, Mr. Oscar served as his Central Pennsylvania Political Director during his 2004 campaign and

continued as his Southeastern Pennsylvania Political Director in his 2010 campaign. Additionally, Mr. Oscar served as Campaign Manager for Congressman Michael Fitzpatrick in 2006.

Beyond his Capitol Hill experience, Mr. Oscar held assignments with the Naval Surface Warfare Center's Carderock Division, the U.S. District Court, the U.S. Department of State's Office of the Legal Advisor, the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C., and currently serves on the Franklin Institute's Board of Governmental Affairs.

Before entering public service, Mr. Oscar was a secondary education instructor at Abington Senior High School and Father Judge High School in Philadelphia. He received his Bachelor of Arts from La Salle University in History/Secondary Education.