

Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C.

# HOW A MODERNIZED NAFTA CAN PROMOTE AMERICAN CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION

Tuesday, December 19, 2017

## HIGHLIGHTS

The event was a luncheon briefing titled “How a Modernized NAFTA Can Promote American Creativity and Innovation” for Capitol Hill staff and other policymakers focused on strong intellectual property protections in free trade agreements, especially the ongoing NAFTA negotiations.

## SPEAKERS

- Joshua Teitelbaum, ACTION for Trade (panel moderator)
- Richard Owens, Senior Fellow, MacDonald-Laurier Institute (panelist)
- Stephen Ezell, Vice President of Global Innovation Policy, Information Technology and Innovation Foundation (panelist)
- George Ford, Chief Economist, The Phoenix Center for Advanced Legal & Economic Public Policy Studies

## ATTENDEES

- Over 20 staff for House Members, including staff for Reps. Bacon, Bishop, Butterfield, Burgess, Cartwright, Curtis, Duncan, Evans, Fleischmann, Kustoff, Lamborn, Love, McNerney, Noem, Pelosi, Pocan, Suozzi, and Torres
- Josh Snead, Trade Counsel, House Ways & Means Committee
- Rossella Brevetti, Bloomberg
- Andrea DaSilva, Senior Policy Analyst and Global Team Leader for Media and Entertainment, U.S. Department of Commerce
- John Lee, Counsel, House Judiciary Committee, Courts, Intellectual Property and the Internet Subcommittee



*Sitting at the table L to R: Richard Owens (Senior Fellow, MacDonald-Laurier Institute), George Ford (Chief Economist, The Phoenix Center), and Stephen Ezell (Vice President of Global Innovation Policy, Information Technology and Innovation Foundation); standing at podium: Joshua Teitelbaum, ACTION for Trade*

*Joshua Teitelbaum introduces the panelists and welcomes attendees*



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*Stephen Ezell provides opening remarks as the other panelists and attendees take notes*

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