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