

SUBMISSIONS FOR THE RECORD

Judiciary Committee
Statement of Senator George Allen
Introduction of William Moschella
Nominee: Assistant Attorney General for Legislative Affairs
April 30, 2003

Chairman Hatch and Members of the Committee, I appreciate the opportunity to introduce to you a fellow Virginian, Mr. William E. Moschella from Falls Church. Mr. Moschella has been nominated by President Bush to fill a key position in the U.S. Department of Justice - the position of Assistant Attorney General for Legislative Affairs. Members of this Committee know particularly well how important this position is, and I believe Mr. Moschella is an outstanding nominee.

Mr. Moschella has spent over twelve years serving in various positions on Capitol Hill. He has been an intern, the General Counsel of the House Committee on Rules, and the Chief Legislative Counsel and Parliamentarian for the House Committee on the Judiciary just to name a few. His most recent experience on the House Judiciary Committee has prepared him well to assume the responsibilities and duties as the Department of Justice's ambassador to the Congress. He has an in depth knowledge of the legislative process which he has successfully used to help pass many landmark bills. Members of this Committee know Mr. Moschella for his work on the 21st Century Department of Justice Appropriations Authorization Act, and most recently the PROTECT Act, which the President is scheduled to sign today. Because Mr. Moschella's talents are well known in the House, former Majority Leader Dick Armey asked Will to assist the House Select Committee on Homeland Security to which he provided legal, policy, and procedural advice regarding the Homeland Security Act of 2002.

Mr. Moschella is well known for his competence and professionalism and has earned the respect of Members and staff from both sides of the aisle. Mr. Moschella attended two great Virginia universities. He attended the University of Virginia as an undergraduate and attended law school at night at George Mason University School of Law while working for Congressman Frank R. Wolf.

Mr. Chairman, I commend the President for nominating Mr. Moschella to the position of Assistant Attorney General, and I respectfully urge the Committee's swift approval of his nomination.