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Professional Background

Jason Larrabee has over 20 years of advocacy, public policy, management and public affairs experience. Throughout his career, he has worked as a liaison between elected officials and government, representing businesses, non-profit organizations and private citizens in their dealings with local, state and federal government. Jason has worked extensively with senior Members of Congress and congressional staff, senior officials in the executive branch, federal agencies, trade associations, and local and state elected officials in California.

From 2017-2018, Jason was the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks at the U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) where he provided oversight of day to day operations as well as policy development and implementation for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Park Service which encompass over \$6.5 billion annually in federal spending and 30,000 employees. Prior to joining the Department, Jason was Chief of Staff to Congressman Jeff Denham (R-CA) managing all aspects of his Congressional offices. During Jason's tenure, Congressman Denham chaired two subcommittees of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, where his work included policy issues related to the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the General Services Administration (GSA) and railroads. Jason also directed campaign re-election efforts for Congressman Denham for three consecutive cycles encompassing fundraising, public affairs, media buys, social media activities and grassroots activities.

Jason's practice at Van Ness Feldman focuses on providing clients with policy guidance and strategic advice on natural resources, agriculture, energy, and transportation policy issues.

Representative Experience

- While at the Department of the Interior, provided policy guidance on a suite of issues ranging from concessionaire issues to the Endangered Species Act, National Historic Preservation Act, Land and Water Conservation Fund, migratory birds, National Environmental Policy Act, National Park units, permitting, recreation, and wildlife refuges.
- Chaired the South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Task Force overseeing restoration efforts within the Everglades.
- While on Capitol Hill, provided appropriations and policy assistance on agriculture, budget, defense, energy, trade, water/flood control and veterans affairs issues.
- Ran a successful consulting and lobbying business assisting California companies and municipalities with federal appropriations, legislative and regulatory matters, resolving State regulatory issues and executing international sales of agricultural commodities.
- Secured over \$200 million in federal appropriations for clients, including the largest federal appropriation in recent times from the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation in the amount of \$107 million.
- Secured a \$25 million grant for advanced turbines used in carbon capture & storage and cleantech.
- Negotiated multi-million dollar water transfers from Northern California entities to buyers south of the Bay-Delta, including negotiating with federal agencies on regulatory actions.

Government Service

U.S. Department of the Interior

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks 2017-2018

Office of U.S. Congressman Jeff Denham

Chief of Staff 2011 – 2017

Office of U.S. Congressman John Doolittle

Legislative Director/Senior Legislative Assistant 2003-2006

Office of U.S. Congressman Doug Ose

Legislative Assistant 2001 – 2002