



## Michael West, PhD

### Senior Advisor

Mike's career within Congress and as a consultant, editor, and teacher spans more 30 years, giving him significant expertise in monitoring and analyzing the development and impact of Federal environmental legislative activity.

For 18 years, Mike served as a member of the Professional Staff of the House Armed Services Committee, including eight years as Principal Staff to the Environmental Restoration Panel. He had significant involvement in the oversight of Department of Defense (DOD) environmental activities, specifically environmental cleanup and compliance issues involving active and closing military bases.

Mike was deeply involved in the drafting and enactment of several key pieces of legislation affecting DoD such as the Federal Facility provisions of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), the Base Realignment and Closure Acts (BRAC), and the Community Environmental Response Facilitation Act.

After leaving the committee, he served as a policy and legislative consultant on environmental and chemical demilitarization issues for the Army Environmental Policy Institute, Soldier and Biological Chemical Command, and the Naval Facilities Institute. During BRAC 95, Mike contributed to successful efforts by the 20th Century Partnership to avoid the closure of Warner-Robins Air Logistics Center in Georgia.

### Other Experience

- For 10 years, Mike served as Editor of *The Federal Facilities Environmental Journal*, which covered policy issues involving cleanup, compliance, pollution prevention.
- Since 1997, he has been an Adjunct Professor in the Department of Engineering Management at George Washington University.

### Education

BA, San Jose State University  
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