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Conformations:

Board of Game

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# Board of Game Fact Sheet

**Board:** Board of Game

**Board identification number:** 040

**Department:** FISH & GAME

**Authority:** AS 16.05.221

**Status:** Active

**Sunset date:**

**Requirements:** Legislative Confirmation and Financial Disclosure

**Prohibitions:** None

**Term:** 3 Years

**Chair:** No provision.

**Description:** The board consists of 7 members appointed by Governor; appointed on the basis of interest in public affairs, good judgment, knowledge, and ability in the field of action of the board, and with a view to providing diversity of interest and points of view in the membership. Members shall be residents of the state, appointed without regard to political affiliation or geographical location of residence; commissioner of the Dept. of Fish and Game is not a member, but serves as ex-officio secretary.

**Function:** Conservation and development of game resources.

**Special facts:** The terms of the members of the board begin on July 1. Notwithstanding AS 39.05.080(1), by April 1 of the calendar year in which the term expires, the governor shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy that will arise on the board because of the expiration of the term of a member of the board and submit the name of the person to the legislature for confirmation. The board is a regulatory body. A quorum consists of a majority of members. Members may be removed for inefficiency, neglect of duty, or misconduct in office (AS 16.05.280). Board generally meets three each year, for a approximately 20-27 days. The Board of Game and the Board of Fisheries occasionally meet in joint session. Compensation: Standard Travel and Per Diem. Range 20A for regulatory meetings; other mtgs 1/2 Range 20A.

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**Meetings:** Historically meets 20-27 days a year. Joint F&G boards meet occasionally.

**Game** **TED HAYES SPRAKER**

**General Information**

Board/Commission and seat you are seeking:  
Game, public

Additional Boards/Commissions of interest:  
None

State Boards/Commissions on which you have served:  
Board of Game for 5 terms, current chairman. Big Game Commercial Services Board for 8 years.

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
TED	HAYES	SPRAKER



Military Service  
none

**Conflict of Interest**

Full disclosure of personal financial data under AS 39.50.010 is required for certain boards and commissions. Are you willing to provide this information if required for the board or commission which you are applying?  
Yes

Service in a public office is a public trust. The Ethics Act (AS 39.52.110) prohibits substantial and material conflicts of interest. Is it possible that you or any member of your family will benefit financially by decisions to be made by the board or commission for which you are applying? If you answer 'yes' to this question you MUST explain the potential financial benefit.  
No

Please explain the potential financial benefit

**Employment History**

Employment work history including paid, unpaid, or voluntary.  
US Fish & Wildlife Service July 1973 to December 1973. Alaska Department of Fish and Game February 1974 to June 2002.  
Volunteer firearms instructor for Women on Target and Teens on Target, 6 years.

**Education, Training, Experience & Qualifications**

List both formal and informal education and training experiences:  
Bachelor's Degree in Wildlife Management.  
Master's degree in Range Management from the University of Wyoming.  
List any professional licenses, certifications, or registrations and dates obtained that may be used as qualifying criteria:  
Certified Measurer for Boone & Crockett and Pope & Young since 1987.  
List any community service, municipal government, and state positions held, and any awards received.  
Conservationist of the Year from SCI in three different years.  
Hunting Heritage Vanguard "Life time Achievement" Award from SCI.  
Conservation of the Year Award from AOC  
Award from Fish and Game recognizing my work with wolves in 1996.  
Award from Fish and Game recognizing my 28 years service with the department.  
Award from US Fish & Wildlife Service for my 28 years working for F&G and with the Service.  
Trapper of the Year from Kenai Peninsula Trappers Association in 2012.

**Conviction Record**

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor within the past five years or a felony within the past ten years?

No

Conviction Circumstances

### **Certification of Accuracy & Completeness**

By submitting this online application, I swear the information I have entered on this form is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I deliberately conceal or enter false information on the form my application may be rejected, I may be removed from the list of eligible candidates, or I may be removed from the position. I agree that the Office of the Governor may contact present or former employees or other persons who know me to obtain an additional information about my skills and abilities. I understand that the information on this application is public information and may be released through a legal request for such information.

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Resume Addendum:

### **Press Release Wording**

{Ted Spraker}, {67} of {Soldotna}, is {Retired Wildlife Biologist with Fish and Game having working in Anchorage, Glennallen and Soldotna} holds {Bachelor's degree in Wildlife Mgmt and a Master's degree in Range Mgmt. from the University of Wyoming}.

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**TED SPRAKER**  
**WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST**

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*Ted H. Spraker, Wildlife Biologist (retired)*



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***Summary of Qualifications and Experience***

Mr. Spraker moved from Wyoming to Alaska in 1973 and worked briefly for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service then for the Alaska Department of Fish and Game as a wildlife biologist - primarily involving studies on caribou, moose, bear, sheep, goat and wolf. Mr. Spraker retired from the Department of Fish and Game after 28+ years of service and was appointed to the Board of Game in 2003.

***Education***

Master of Science, Range Science, University of Wyoming, 1973  
Bachelor of Science, Wildlife Management, 1970

***Continued Education and Training***

First-Aid and CPR  
Instructor Bear Safety Training  
Firearms Safety Education Instructor

***Representative Project Experience***

**Area Wildlife Biologist, Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Soldotna - 1978 to 2002**

Performed management and research functions such as developing operational and sampling plans and procedures, experimental designs and quality control of data. Determined biological wildlife goals, population compositions, and wildlife harvest efforts; determined harvest rates of specific wildlife populations, and developed programs to achieve allowable harvest. Lead or supervised project work of professional and technician staff to ensure compliance with operational plans, quality control of data, and project objectives.

**Assistant Wildlife Biologist, Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Glennallen - 1974 to 1978**

Planned, designed and conducted wildlife surveys, population censuses, harvest counts and other studies to gather data necessary to determine distribution, abundance, productivity, sex and age composition, mortality factors, habitat use and selection or to address a specific problem.

Compiled and analyzes biological data using standard computer software and specialized computer programs to support recommendations for regulatory changes, area closures and harvest limits, to assess human impact, for maintenance, enhancement or restoration of wildlife resources and habitat.

Prepared technical reports and divisional publications including preliminary/progress reports, project summaries, post season and annual management reports, and research findings for scientific journals. Drafted regulatory proposals to be presented at Board of Game meetings. Prepared and issues news releases.

**Ted Spraker**  
**Wildlife Biologist**

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1978

Lead biologist on a brown bear capture program in the Nelchina Basin north of Glennallen to determine the role of brown bears in predation on moose calves. Captured, radio collared and monitored 23 bears.

1979

Assisted on the brown bear capture and removal project in the upper Susitna River to determine level of brown bear mortality on moose calves. 47 bears were captured and relocated a minimum of 100 air miles.

1982-84

Lead biologist in the investigation and treatment of wolves on the Kenai Peninsula infested with lice. Resulted in the live capture and treatment of over 100 wolves. Assisted on a similar project in the Palmer area in 1999, resulting in the capture and treatment of 41 wolves.

1985-1986

Lead biologist in reintroduction of caribou on the Kenai Peninsula. Established three new herds. Resulted in the capture and release of eighty animals.

1986-87

Initiated and designed new selective harvest strategy for hunting moose, commonly known as the spike/fork – 50 regulation. It was first adopted on the Kenai Peninsula and subsequently adopted in most of the road system Game Management Units and in Southeast Alaska.

1995-1997

Lead biologist in the introduction of ruffed grouse on the Kenai Peninsula. Captured 243 grouse north of the Alaska Range and of these 232 grouse were trans-located and released at 1 of 3 sites on the northern portion of the Kenai Peninsula.

2003

Assisted Department of Fish and Game staff in the capture and relocation of 81 bears from the McGrath area. Bears were captured using helicopter-darting and foot snares.

2004-present

Employed by Professional Wildlife Services as a wildlife guard. Primary duties include protection of seismic and survey workers from bears and to identify potential human hazards in the field.

**Alaska Board of Game – 2003 – Present**

Mr. Spraker was appointed by Governors Murkowski, Palin and Parnell. He served as Vice Chairman for two terms and is currently Chairman. Mr. Spraker also serviced as the Board of Game representative on the Big Game Commercial Services Board from 2004 to 2012. This Board regulates the Big Game Guiding and Transporting industry in the state.

***Publications***

Annual report of wolf survey-inventory activities. Alaska Department of Fish and game, federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration (Spraker T.H., 1997)

Infestation of Lice among Wild Canids in Alaska (Golden et al. 1999)

Several publications on record with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game including annual management reports for all game and furbearer species on the Kenai Peninsula.

**Ted Spraker**  
Wildlife Biologist

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***Awards***

Lifetime Achievement Award in Conservation, SCI 2002  
Biologist of the Year, AOC 2001  
Conservation Award, F&G 1992, 1996, 1999, 2002  
Hunting Heritage Vanguard Award, SCI 2003  
Trapper Ethics Award, KPTA 2012  
Conservation Award, US Fish and Wildlife Service 2002

***Affiliations***

Alaska Trappers Association  
Safari Club International  
National Rifle Association  
Official Measurer for the Boone and Crockett Club  
Mentor – Take a Kid Hunting  
Women-on-Target and Teens-on-Target Firearms Instructor

***Reference page for Ted H. Spraker***

**Denby S. Lloyd – Commissioner of F&G (retired)**  
ADF&G



**Doug Larson – Regional Supervisor in SE (retired)**  
Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
Division of Wildlife Conservation



**Ted Spraker**  
Wildlife Biologist

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**Wayne Regelin – Former ADF&G Director**  
Division of Wildlife Conservation



**Paul E. Johnson - Big Game Commercial Services Board - Former Chair**  
Gull Cove Lodge



**Dick Burley – Board of Game Member**  
Former Chairman



**Mike Fleagle – former Chairman of the Board of Game.**  
**Former Chairman of the Federal Subsistence Board.**

A lifelong Alaska resident, Fleagle is an Alaska Native (Inupiaq/Athabascan) who has served on the McGrath Native Village Council and as a Tribal First Chief of the council as well as on the McGrath City Council and School Advisory Board.



March 2, 2017

The Honorable Cathy Giessel, Chair  
Alaska State Senate Resources Committee  
Juneau, AK 99801

Eddie Grasser, Vice President  
PO Box 2193  
Palmer, AK 99645  
(907) 841-0358

Dear Senator Giessel,

I am writing as Vice President of Safari Club International (SCI) and in support of our two chapters in Alaska, the Alaska Chapter and the Kenai Chapter. As chair of the national government affairs committee, we would like to add our support for the reappointment of Ted Spraker to the Alaska Board of Game. Mr. Spraker has not only exhibited exemplary knowledge and understanding of game management in Alaska, as Chair he has attended important national meetings where he has exhibited leadership skills necessary to the important task of returning wildlife management to the states.

SCI is the largest, most effective conservation group in America and both Alaskan Chapters are two of the most influential conservation groups in Alaska. Our main mission area is preserving the freedom to hunt which we accomplish through conservation, education and advocacy. We are adding our support to Mr. Spraker as he has demonstrated the necessary leadership qualities on the national stage to assist in the effort to re-establish the states as the primary managers of fish and wildlife within their boundaries. This is a leading issue among America's conservation groups and we believe circumstances are such that now is the time to resolve this question.

Ted is a strong advocate for state management authority and supports management aimed at supporting hunting and trapping through science and sustained yield principles. He is also objective while deliberating proposals taking time to prepare for meetings by reading background information and by soliciting and listening to all views on proposals and issues facing the Board of Game. Mr. Spraker has a proven track record and we believe he will be a valuable asset in effort to restore management authority to the various states.

We encourage you to reappoint Mr. Spraker thereby ensuring his extensive knowledge, experience and personal relationship skills continue to benefit Alaska and its people.

Sincerely,

Eddie Grasser  
SCI Vice President

Cc: Senate Resources Committee Members

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March 3, 2017

Senator Cathy Giessel  
Senate Resources Committee  
State Capitol Room 427  
Juneau AK, 99801

RE: Ted Spraker's appointment to the BOG

Dear Chairman Giessel and Senate Resources Committee Members,

The Alaska Professional Hunters Association (APHA) strongly recommends that Ted Spraker be confirmed to the Board of Game. Over Mr. Spraker's time on the BOG he has always shown himself ready to put Alaska's game resources first. His more than 30 years' experience as a Department of Fish and Game Biologist gives him the knowledge base to understand complex wildlife management issues and to explain those issues to other board members, and the public at large.

Not only does Mr. Spraker understand the data side of wildlife management, but he understands the social side as well. During public testimony, at breaks, and even after hours, he asks probing questions and listened attentively to help understand the prospective of the local user. It is not uncommon to hear him bring the information gathered from these discussions with locals and their public testimony back during difficult board deliberations. This adds a very important dimension to the BOG process and to the quality of the decisions that the BOG ultimately makes.

Serving as Chairman for the Board of Game, is a time consuming and often thankless job, however Mr. Spraker is dedicated to it. It is hard to think of a better choice to fill this important role.

For these reasons, the APHA respectfully asks that you confirm Mr. Spraker to the Board of Game.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sam Rohrer  
President, APHA

Sirs,

The Homer fish and game advisory committee is in majority opposition to the reappointment of Ted Spraker to the Alaska board of game.

Although Mr. Spraker's dedication to the process is undeniable, he is no longer an effective representative of Alaska's wildlife users, management goals or modern wildlife management science.

During Mr. Spraker's tenure as chair, the board has become a reflection of Mr Spraker's personal agendas to the obvious exclusion of reasoned input from both the department and the public at large.

Case in point is the preponderance of "board generated proposals" and proposals put forth through the department "at the request of the board". This is NOT how our regulatory process is supposed to work, as is apparent from reading Fish & Game's own state webpage.

For nearly a decade the board, under Mr Spraker, has been consistently unable to resolve a long standing issue with the management and allocation of Dall sheep, despite a clear public mandate. Instead, we have been given "working groups" that don't work, at great expense to the state. There are myriad programs and projects to which those funds could have been applied, yet the board continues to spend money on meetings and studies while simply kicking the can down the road.

Another expensive hobby of Mr Spraker is predator control. Though predator control can and has been used effectively to build prey species populations it is not the first, best or only option. Despite undeniable evidence that poor browse in gm 15a was and would continue to be the reason for the crash of moose numbers there, Mr Spraker pushed for a very expensive and completely pointless program of paid gunners and trappers, the end result of which was a few dead wolves that cost tens of thousands of dollars per wolf.

Mr Spraker has consistently showed an unwillingness to cooperate and share information with federal agencies, and we believe this is a serious problem given Alaska's intricate relationship with refuges, subsistence issues and game management.

We urge that Mr Spraker be recognized for his service on the board of game and be relieved of his seat at the table. It is time for a new perspective, new faces and new science. We can no longer afford the old.

Respectfully

Dave Lyon, chair, for the Homer advisory committee

Senate Resource Committee,

We Oppose the reappointment of Mr. Ted Spraker to the BOG.

Mr. Spraker has not shown knowledge of modern science in his support of management policies. He has been an unyielding supporter of Intensive Management and all of it's onerous, controversial predator control proposals. Mr. Spraker has nor represented a diversity of interests, has not listened to public input and has not created sound scientific policies for managing Alaska's wildlife resources. Mr. Spraker has not been a fair representation of issues on the lower Kenai Peninsula when it comes to working with the Homer Fish and Game Advisory Board. Additionally, the BOG has relied on promulgation of regulations through Board initiated proposals which bypass the public process and conflict with the State of Alaska's regulatory processes.

Mr. Spraker almost exclusively supports the needs of hunters, trappers and hunting guides. Wildlife viewing and photography support an industry that are sustainable and financially important.

We urge you to appoint Kneeland Taylor to the BOG for a fresh perspective. ( See his provided resume to BOG)

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Kachemak Bay Conservation Society

Homer, Alaska

<b>Game</b>	<b>Lawrence James Van Daele</b>	
<b>General Information</b>		
Board/Commission and seat you are seeking: Game, Public seat		
Additional Boards/Commissions of interest: None		
State Boards/Commissions on which you have served: Kodiak State Parks Citizens Advisory Board - vice chairman		
First Name Lawrence	Middle Name James	Last Name Van Daele
Military Service None		
<b>Conflict of Interest</b>		
Full disclosure of personal financial data under AS 39.50.010 is required for certain boards and commissions. Are you willing to provide this information if required for the board or commission which you are applying? Yes		
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Please explain the potential financial benefit		
<b>Employment History</b>		
Employment work history including paid, unpaid, or voluntary. Employed by ADF&G from 1981-2015, including the following positions:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 1981-82 - Wildlife Technician, Kodiak</li> <li>- 1982-85 - Asst State ANILCA Coordinator, Anchorage</li> <li>- 1985-87 - Asst Area Wildlife Biologist, Kodiak</li> <li>- 1987-90 - Regional Management Biologist, Anchorage</li> <li>- 1990-98 - Area Wildlife Biologist, Dillingham</li> <li>- 1998-2012 - Area Wildlife Biologist, Kodiak</li> <li>- 2012-15 - Regional Supervisor, Anchorage</li> </ul>		
From mid-2015 to mid-2016 I worked part-time (~10-20 hrs/week) with Karluk Wilderness Adventures, assisting them with designing and implementing a bear viewing operation at their lodge on Kodiak.		
In late-2016, I volunteered to work for Kodiak Electric Association as a wildlife consultant assisting them with analyzing the impacts of expanding a major hydroelectric facility on brown bear denning and feeding habitats.		
<b>Education, Training, Experience &amp; Qualifications</b>		

List both formal and informal education and training experiences:

Doctor of Philosophy, Natural Resources, 2007. "Population Dynamics and Management of Brown Bears on Kodiak Island, Alaska", University of Idaho, College of Graduate Studies, Moscow, ID 83843, USA

Master of Science, Zoology, 1981. University of Idaho, Graduate School, Moscow, ID 83843, USA

Bachelor of Science, Wildlife Management, 1978. University of Idaho, College of Forestry, Wildlife & Range Science, Moscow, ID 83843, USA

While employed by ADF&G (1981-2015), I successfully completed many training courses which included, but were not limited to: arctic and sea survival, firearms training and annual certification, safe capture (animal immobilization) training and annual certification, wilderness first responder and first aid/CPR, facilitation training, Citizens Participation training, cross-cultural training, State Supervisor Academy, State Trooper Academy, mammal and bird disease training, bear safety training and instruction, bear viewing certification training and instruction, principles of modeling workshop, and private pilot ground school and flight training.

During my time with the IUCN and Northern Forum, I have had the opportunity to travel several times to Japan, Russia and Scandinavia sharing ideas about wildlife management techniques within our various regions, and getting a chance to meet and learn from numerous high level government leaders and indigenous elders. I have also hosted representatives from those countries here in Alaska, showcasing our environment, political system, and cultural richness.

Perhaps the most influential education experiences I've had the good fortune of having come from time I've spent in the field and in the homes of both Native and non-native Alaska elders from across the state. Their wisdom and sincere respect for our great land is incomparable and it is a honor and precious gift to have them share it.

List any professional licenses, certifications, or registrations and dates obtained that may be used as qualifying criteria:

Certified Wildlife Biologist - 1990 to present  
State of Alaska Peace Officer (Title 16) - 1982-2015  
Fish and Wildlife scientific collecting permit - 1982-2015  
Hunting, fishing and trapping licenses - 1972-2015  
Alaska Permanent Hunting and Fishing license (PID) - 2015-present

List any community service, municipal government, and state positions held, and any awards received.

Kodiak State Parks Citizen's Advisory Board - vice chairman (2016-present)  
IUCN North Asian Brown Bear Expert Team - co-chairman (2007-2016)  
IUCN Asian Brown Bear Expert Team - (2016-present)  
Northern Forum Brown Bear Workgroup - project leader (2003-present)  
Alutiiq Museum Collections Committee - (1998-present)  
St Mary's Catholic Church - reader and parish volunteer (1997-present)  
"Rebuild the Bear" commemorative statue committee - co-chair (2015-present)  
Volunteer reviewer for Journal of Wildlife Management and Ursus journals (1995-present)  
Eskimo Walrus Commission - state representative (~1994-1997)  
Alaska Department of Fish and Game - wildlife biologist (1981-2015)

### Conviction Record

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor within the past five years or a felony within the past ten years?

No

Conviction Circumstances

### Certification of Accuracy & Completeness

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Resume Addendum:

**Press Release Wording**

{Larry Van Daele}, {60} of {Kodiak}, is {a retired ADF&G wildlife biologist}. Van Daele holds {a PhD in Natural Resource Management from the University of Idaho}.

Submitted: 1/12/2017 7:37:08 PM

## Lawrence J. Van Daele, Ph.D.

*Wildlife Biologist*

### PROFESSIONAL BIOGRAPHY

#### Professional History:

I worked for the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G), Division of Wildlife Conservation for about 34 years throughout southcentral and western Alaska.

- **Fish and Game Coordinator (Regional Supervisor), Anchorage (2012 –2016).** I was responsible for overseeing all of the division's wildlife management and research activities in the southcentral part of the State (Region 2) with an annual budget of \$4 – 7 million annually, and 36 permanent staff spread across 6 locations. Our team's area of jurisdiction included 52% of the human population in the state, more than 2 million visitors annually, and over 56% of the drawing and 48% of the registration hunts in the state. We had 8 designated "special areas" and an active hunter information and training program, including the Rabbit Creek Shooting Park. As Regional Supervisor, I was responsible for directing, developing, evaluating, and managing all Wildlife Division's biological studies, research, resource assessments, and resource management activities in Region 2, with considerable responsibility for controlling the direction of research and management activities and ensuring short-term goals and tactics supported the department's strategy and long-term goals. My control and direction was primarily exercised through our regional leadership team comprised of a Management Coordinator and a Research Coordinator (each Wildlife Biologist IVs) and our Administrative Officer. I had substantial responsibility for directing and coordinating the allocation and administration of budgeted funds, and exercised independent judgement in employing, disciplining, or adjudicating grievances of staff. As a member of the Division Leadership Team, I closely coordinated with the Commissioner, Director, and other Coordinators to discuss and guide the tactical and strategic direction of the division and to closely integrate our activities with private land managers and our sister agencies within the State and Federal governments with complementary responsibilities. Paramount to all of these responsibilities and activities was development of meaningful, scientifically sound and cost-effective products that could enhance conservation and management of wildlife and wildlife habitat, and to share those results with the general public and the Board of Game in an understandable and professional manner.
- **Area Wildlife Biologist, Kodiak (1998 –2012).** I managed all terrestrial wildlife species on the Kodiak Archipelago, and supervised an assistant wildlife biologist and an administrative clerk. The Kodiak Wildlife Conservation office oversees a high profile program that is characterized by diverse user groups, a rich variety of wildlife and terrain, and a multifaceted array of land ownership and management authorities. Kodiak brown bears were the focus of most of our efforts, with active research and public outreach programs being the cornerstones to successful management of this world-class resource. We had a complex permitting system that allocated bear hunting privileges between seasons, areas, residents, nonresidents, and guides. Subsistence and sport hunter demands for deer, elk, mountain goat, and furbearers also required close monitoring. To build a successful management program in this environment, quality research, teamwork and cooperation were

paramount. To work toward that end, I helped develop the *Kodiak Archipelago Bear Conservation and Management Plan*, and I comprehensively analyzed over 20 years of Kodiak bear research in my dissertation entitled "*Population dynamics and management of brown bears on Kodiak Island, Alaska*". Implementation of recommendations from these projects is ongoing, including a \$100,000 grant from the State of Alaska to work with area villages to improve bear safety and garbage management. Cooperative bear management efforts were further enhanced with my participation in the Pacific Rim Brown Bear Workgroup within the Northern Forum. This group includes bear research and management biologists from Japan, the Russian Far East, Canada, Sweden and Alaska and I have been its project leader since 2003, and I am the co-chairman of the IUCN North Asian Brown Bear Expert Team. I have had additional opportunities to educate people about brown bears through several international television, film, and public speaking presentations.

- **Area Wildlife Biologist, Dillingham (1990 –1998).** I managed all terrestrial wildlife species in the northern Bristol Bay area (18,000 mi<sup>2</sup>), the Walrus Islands State Game Sanctuary, and the Mulchatna caribou herd. I supervised a seasonal technician and jointly supervised a field office assistant. Duties were comparable to other remote ADF&G area offices, with a great deal of public contact with hunters, wildlife viewers and local residents. In remote offices, area biologists must be self sufficient and able to coordinate surveys, research programs, and public contact with less glamorous tasks such as budgeting, personnel management, advisory committee meetings and Board of Game presentations. The most interesting aspect of the position was working with elders and other leaders of local villages to incorporate traditional knowledge and subsistence needs into state and federal management systems. Two examples of how I was able to do this were a brown bear research project done in conjunction Kuskokwim River villages and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and initiation of a traditional walrus hunt on Round Island within the state's walrus sanctuary (after a 35 year closure of the area). I also served on the Eskimo Walrus Commission as the state's representative and coordinated the collection and sale of ivory from the Sanctuary.
- **Regional Management Biologist, Anchorage (1987 - 1990).** Coordinated the Division's input and research for the Over-the-Horizon radar project proposed by the U.S. Air Force. Developed, implemented and coordinated the bear safety training program for all *Exxon Valdez* oil-spill clean-up personnel. Principle investigator in evaluating the accuracy of the existing brown bear aging technique.
- **Assistant Area Biologist, Kodiak (1985 - 1987).** Under supervision of the area biologist, I was responsible for collecting and analyzing research and management data on brown bears, goats, elk and deer. I also coordinated the introduction of Vancouver Canada geese onto the Kodiak archipelago.
- **Assistant State ANILCA Coordinator, Anchorage (1982 - 1985).** Worked with State and Federal agencies to assure that the State's and the Department's concerns were addressed in management plans for Federal Refuges, Parks, etc. created by the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) and also governed by the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA).
- **Wildlife Technician, Kodiak and Anchorage (1981 - 1982).** Assisted Kodiak Game Division staff with research (Terror Lake hydro) and management activities, assisted with computer data entry and analysis of Susitna hydroelectric big game studies, and provided field and office assistance for research biologists.



January 12, 2017

Governor Bill Walker  
Office of the Governor  
P.O. Box 110001  
Juneau, AK 99615

Dear Governor Walker,


This week I learned of an opening on the Alaska Board of Game due to the resignation of Mr. Kip Fanning, and several of my friends have encouraged me to submit an application to be considered for that position. Because of their insistence, and my desire to continue to serve the wildlife and the people of Alaska, I just submitted an application through the Office of Boards and Commissions website and with this letter I would like to formally ask for your consideration for me to fill that vacant seat.

I had the privilege of being employed as a wildlife biologist with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game from 1981 – 2015, living in Kodiak, Dillingham and Anchorage and working on projects around the state. Most of my career was as an area management biologist, but I was lucky enough to move into a leadership position as the Regional Supervisor for the southcentral part of the state (Region 2) for my last three years. During the over three decades I worked for ADF&G, I surveyed and/or conducted research on most of our big game species, managed the Walrus Islands State Game Sanctuary, was chosen as the state's representative on international groups, interacted with a wide variety of resident and nonresident hunters and non-hunters, and worked closely with Advisory Committees and the Board of Game at innumerable meetings and workshops.

I earned a PhD about 10 years ago, going back to school so that I could gain the skills necessary to analyze and develop a management plan based on 20 years of data my colleagues and I collected on Kodiak Brown Bears. The most influential education I obtained in my life, however, was from the Native and non-native elders who granted me the opportunity to spend time with them in the field and in their homes, sharing the wisdom and unbridled respect they have for our great land.

Now that I have retired from state service, I feel an obligation to again offer whatever expertise I may have gleaned from those experiences to help conserve and enhance our wildlife for the benefit of our people. If given this chance, it is my intention to not be an advocate for any particular user group, but to provide an objective voice for all with the ultimate goal of assuring sustainable wildlife populations in perpetuity. That being said, I have to admit that I am also a strong believer in State's rights, and I would sincerely like to see all wildlife management returned to us from the Federal government.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

  
Larry Van Daele



# ALASKA

## PROFESSIONAL HUNTERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

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March 3, 2017

Senator Cathy Giessel  
Senate Resources Committee  
State Capitol Room 427  
Juneau AK, 99801

RE: Larry Van Daele's appointment to the BOG

Dear Chairman Giessel and Senate Resources Committee Members,

The Alaska Professional Hunters Association (APHA) strongly recommends that Dr. Larry Van Daele be confirmed to the Board of Game.

First and foremost, the BOG should be focused on conservation and health of game populations. Dr. Van Daele's 35 years of employment with ADF&G, where he spent much of his career as the area management biologist in Kodiak, will prove valuable as challenging resource decisions emerge. He is extremely knowledgeable on wildlife issues throughout the state, and would be invaluable on the BOG. Over Dr. Van Daele's long history with the state, he has worked with Federal Advisory Councils, State Fish and Game Advisory Councils, Native Corporations, the Fish and Wildlife Service, and various work and study groups. He is also an internationally recognized bear expert.

Throughout his career, he has shown himself to be a consensus builder, in fact, few individuals possess the ability to work through controversial issues, bridge divides, and come to fair conclusions like Dr. Van Daele.

Mr. Van Daele is approachable, knowledgeable, and fair. This has led to him being respected by ALL user groups. It would be hard to find a more qualified individual for the Board of Game. It is also worth noting that it has been many years since there has been a BOG member from Kodiak.

For these reasons, we respectfully ask that you appoint Dr. Van Daele to the Board of Game.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sam Rohrer  
President, APHA



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March 5, 2017

To: Senate Resources Committee  
Re: Board of Game appointment – Dr. Larry Van Daele

Dear Chair Giessel, Vice-Chair Coghill, and members of the Senate Resources committee,

Resident Hunters of Alaska (RHAK) **supports** the appointment and confirmation of Dr. Larry Van Daele to the Alaska Board of Game.

We can think of few who could have jumped right in to effectively and knowledgeably fill a vacant seat at the recent Board of Game Region III meeting in Fairbanks last month, as Dr. Van Daele did. His long experience on the other side of the table as an esteemed ADFG biologist, and most recently before he retired as ADFG Regional Supervisor for southcentral Alaska Region II, and his knowledge of game management issues and the overall process, were clearly evident at the Fairbanks meeting.

Dr. Van Daele considers all sides of an issue, engages respectfully with the public both on the record and during breaks, and weighs in during deliberations on proposals with a scientific background that can only benefit the Board and all Alaskans. We believe he will always put the resource first and be fair to the concerns of resident Alaskan hunters.

We ask that you pass Dr. Van Daele's name out of committee and vote for his confirmation to the Board of Game later this session.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mark Richards

Executive Director Resident Hunters of Alaska (RHAK)

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# Big Game Commercial Services Board Fact Sheet

**Board:** Big Game Commercial Services Board

**Board identification number:** 042

**Department:** COMMERCE, COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**Authority:** AS 08.54.591

**Status:** Active

**Sunset date:** June 30, 2019

**Requirements:** Legislative Confirmation and Financial Disclosure

**Prohibitions:** Members of the board cannot serve more than all or part of two consecutive terms. A member who has served all or part of two successive terms may not be reappointed unless four years have elapsed since the person last served. Public members cannot be engaged in, have a legal contract with a member of, or have a direct financial interest in the occupation that the board regulates.

**Term:** 4 years

**Chair:** Governor selects

**Description:** The board consists of 9 members – 8 appointed by Governor: 2 members who are licensed registered guide-outfitters; 2 members who are licensed transporters, 1 member of the Board of Game chosen by the Board of Game and who does not hold a guide or transport license, 2 members who represent private landholders affected by guided hunting or transportation activities/services and who do not hold a license under this board, and 2 public members.

**Function:** The board licenses and regulates the activities of providers of commercial services to big game hunters in the interest of the state's wildlife resources.

**Special facts:** The Big Game Commercial Services Board replaced the Guide Board, which was repealed on 6/30/89. Members serve at the pleasure of the governor. The governor may select the chair. A majority constitutes a quorum.

**Compensation:** Standard Travel and Per Diem No additional compensation.

**Meetings:** At least twice annually (March and December, usually 3 days per meeting), plus panel meetings; 14 days maximum.

**General Information**

Board/Commission and seat you are seeking:  
Bar Association, Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar

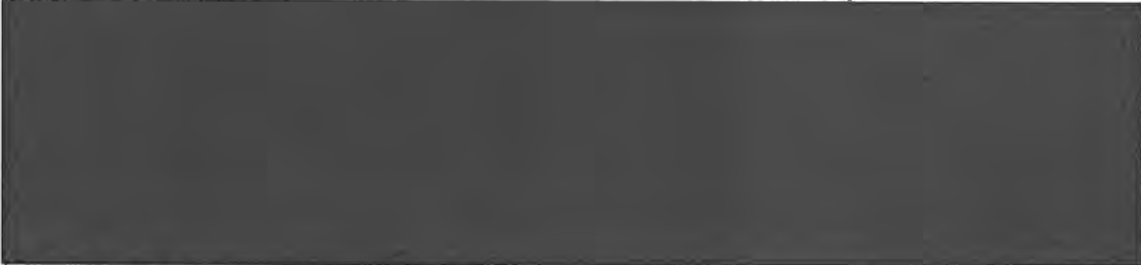
Additional Boards/Commissions of interest:

Preference Order Board

- 2) Judicial Council
- 3) Criminal Justice Commission
- 4) Big Game Commercial Services

State Boards/Commissions on which you have served:  
Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
Adam		Trombley



Military Service

**Conflict of Interest**

Full disclosure of personal financial data under AS 39.50.010 is required for certain boards and commissions. Are you willing to provide this information if required for the board or commission which you are applying?  
Yes

Service in a public office is a public trust. The Ethics Act (AS 39.52.110) prohibits substantial and material conflicts of interest. Is it possible that you or any member of your family will benefit financially by decisions to be made by the board or commission for which you are applying? If you answer 'yes' to this question you MUST explain the potential financial benefit.  
No

Please explain the potential financial benefit

**Employment History**

Employment work history including paid, unpaid, or voluntary.  
06/2006 to Current: Account Manager, Nalco Champion  
05/2004 to 06/2006: Premier Garage, Sales Manager  
Board Member Akeela 2014-Current  
Board Member of the Alaska Bar Association 2012-Current  
Anchorage Assembly 2011-2014

**Education, Training, Experience & Qualifications**

List both formal and informal education and training experiences:  
East Anchorage High School  
Fork Union Military Academy  
Lewis-Clark State College. BA English  
Corrosion Certified through National Association of Corrosion  
Engineers, QHSSE Certified, Certified H2S Instructor, Certified Pipeline Corrosion  
Inspector

List any professional licenses, certifications, or registrations and dates obtained that may be used as qualifying criteria:

Current Member of the Board of Governors of the Bar Association

List any community service, municipal government, and state positions held, and any awards received.

Current board member of Akeela

Current member of the Board of Governors of the Bar Association

Anchorage Assembly 2011-2014

### Conviction Record

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor within the past five years or a felony within the past ten years?

No

Conviction Circumstances

### Certification of Accuracy & Completeness

By submitting this online application, I swear the information I have entered on this form is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I deliberately conceal or enter false information on the form my application may be rejected, I may be removed from the list of eligible candidates, or I may be removed from the position. I agree that the Office of the Governor may contact present or former employees or other persons who know me to obtain an additional information about my skills and abilities. I understand that the information on this application is public information and may be released through a legal request for such information.

Type "I certify"

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Resume Addendum:

### Press Release Wording

Adam Trombley, 35 of Anchorage, is an Account Manager at Nalco Champion and holds BA from Lewis Clark State College.

Submitted: 11/4/2015 7:35:04 AM

# ADAM R TROMBLEY

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Results-focused Account Manager offering 9 years of progressive leadership and experience in the oil and gas industry. Focusing mainly on acquiring new accounts and maintaining existing customers ranging from Independent to the Super-Major oil and gas companies.

## CORE QUALIFICATIONS

- Operations Management
- Inventory Control
- Policy/Program Development
- Cross-Functional Team Management
- Sales
- Budget Forecasting
- Account Management
- Business Development
- Strategy Implementation
- Communication Skills

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

06/2006 to Current

### Account Manager Nalco Champion

- Primarily responsible for the presenting, communicating, designing, planning, coordinating and implementation of chemical treatment programs for both Super-Major and Independent Alaskan North Slope/Cook Inlet oil and gas producers.
- Have full knowledge of upstream and downstream industry operations.
- Maintain current sales level, increase sales volumes and profit margins.
- Initiate and oversee projects requested by the customer with support from the technical research group
- Serve as the primary point of contact for the treatment team.
- Identify and communicate new business opportunities.
- Prepare and submit an annual sales plan to the District Manager.
- Develop and maintain effective working relationships with clients to promote the desired image of the company.

04/2011 to 04/2014

### Anchorage Assembly Assembly Member - Anchorage, Alaska

- Elected to represent East Anchorage
- Served as Assembly Vice-Chair
- Chair of the Ethics and Elections Committee

05/2004 to 06/2006

### Premier Garage Sales Manager - Anchorage, Alaska

- Manage accounts with builders and contractors
- Ensure consistent sales
- Manage customer accounts

## EDUCATION

2004

**Bachelor of Arts: English**  
**Lewis-Clark State College** - Lewiston, Idaho, US  
English

## CERTIFICATIONS

Certified in Basic Corrosion through National Association of Corrosion Engineers, QHSSE Certified, Certified H2S Instructor, Certified Pipeline Corrosion Inspector

## AFFILIATIONS

**Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar Association**

Board Member.

Appointed by the Governor of Alaska and unanimously approved by the Alaska State Legislature.

Determine disciplinary measures for attorneys Review and recommend new Bar rules to the Alaska Supreme Court Set an annual budget Understand and Navigate the Alaska Legislature for changes to existing laws and creating new laws.

**Akeela**

Board Member

Akeela provides prevention services in 18 communities throughout the State, and outpatient and residential substance use treatment for community populations in Anchorage and Ketchikan. Akeela also provides prison-based substance use programs in multiple correctional institutions throughout the state.

**SKILLS**

Budget Analysis, Client and Customer Relations, Experience in oil and gas Upstream and Downstream , Finance, Government Regulations, Sales Planning, Excel, Power Point, Microsoft Word,

**REFERENCES**

Reference Curtis McQueen President and CEO Eklutna Native Corporation 907) [REDACTED]

Ethan Schutt Senior-Vice President of Land and Energy Development CIRI Native Corporation [REDACTED]