



New England
Fishery Management
Council

Chairman

Terry Stockwell is the Director of External Affairs for Maine's Department of Marine Resources (DMR) and has served as the DMR Commissioner's designee to the New England Fishery Management Council since 2006. Prior to working for DMR, Mr. Stockwell was a commercial fisherman for over twenty years. He is associated with several Maine professional organizations, including the Board of the Portland Fish Pier Authority. He received his B.A. in government and studio art from Connecticut College and attended the Maine Maritime Academy's Harbor Master Program. Following his chairmanship of the Council's Groundfish Committee and service on its Executive Committee for a number of years, Mr. Stockwell was elected Council Vice Chairman in 2012 and became its Chairman in 2013.

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Vice Chairman

Dr. John Quinn, the Director of Public Service at the University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, began his first term on the NEFMC in 2012 as an obligatory member from Massachusetts. He is a former member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, where he held positions on several important committees during his seven-year tenure and co-sponsored a number of bills related to the MA fishing industry. He provided testimony on behalf of the industry in several venues, including NEFMC meetings, and was a member of the New Bedford Mayor's Task Force on Fisheries. Dr. Quinn also represented various fishing interests when he practiced law at the firm of Harvey B. Mickelson & Associates from 1989-1992, and in his own law practice from 1994-2010. He holds a B.A. in economics from the University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, a J.D. from Suffolk University Law School, a M.P.Adm. from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, and a Ph.D. in public policy from the University of Massachusetts, Boston.
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John K. Bullard became the Regional Administrator of the Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office of NOAA Fisheries Service on Aug. 6, 2012. As the Regional Administrator, John is responsible for running NOAA programs that manage living marine resources from Canada to Cape Hatteras. In this capacity, Mr. Bullard directs NOAA Fisheries programs in support of international and domestic fisheries management in the Northeast Region. He also guides multidisciplinary programs that provide the scientific and technical information necessary to manage living marine resources in the Northeast and support the information requirements and decision-making processes of the New England and Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Councils. Mr. Bullard served as mayor of New Bedford from 1986-1992. He directed the federal government's first office of Sustainable Development at NOAA from 1993-1998. Mr. Bullard earned his B.A. at Harvard University and received both a Master of Architecture and a Master of City Planning from M.I.T.

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Mark Alexander is a Supervising Fisheries Biologist for the Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection. He has worked for the agency's Marine Fisheries Division since 1982, now supervises the fishery-dependent data collection program, and is responsible for administering division regulations. Mr. Alexander received his B.S. in marine biology from Nicholls State University and his M.S. in marine environmental science from the Marine Sciences Research Center, State University of New York at Stony Brook. He has served as Connecticut's designee to the Council since 2004.

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Dr. Matthew McKenzie, an Associate Professor of History at the University of Connecticut, brings interdisciplinary approaches to New England maritime history and historical marine ecology. He was a research collaborator for the Census of Marine Life's History of Marine Animal Populations project from 2003 and 2006, and taught maritime history and policy at the Sea Education Association. He has also published in *Frontiers in Ecology and the Environment*, *Journal of Cetacean Research and Management*, and *Environmental History*. His first book, *Clearing the Coastline* (2010), explored the human consequences of declining inshore fish stocks around Cape Cod in the nineteenth century. His current work explores the intersection of popular cultural representation and industrial development and management in New England fisheries between 1866 and 1996.

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Terry Alexander has been a Maine fisherman for over 35 years. After fishing with his father as a youngster, he became a full-time deck-hand on board a trawler at age 16 and was hired as a fishing boat captain at 22. Mr. Alexander purchased his own boat in 1990, and later had the well-known 62-foot trawler *Jocka* built to his specifications. He has been a pioneer in cooperative fisheries research, working on landmark projects such as the Nordmore grate to reduce the bycatch of juvenile groundfish in the northern shrimp fishery, and the Massachusetts led industry-based cod survey. He was a founding member and former president of the Sustainable Harvest Sector and previously participated on the Federal Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee. Terry is a current member of the Associated Fisheries of Maine.
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Vincent M. Balzano was appointed to the Council in 2012 as an at-large member from the state of Maine. A third generation fisherman, he has been involved in the industry for over 25 years. Prior to his Council appointment, Mr. Balzano served as an active and long-time member of the NEFMC's Groundfish, Whiting, and Habitat Advisory Panels. He has been a proponent of and participant in many cooperative fisheries research projects. His work with scientific partners, including the Maine Department of Marine Resources, the University of New Hampshire, Wells Estuarine Research Reserve, and the Gulf of Maine Research Institute, has focused on bycatch reduction in the groundfish, whiting and northern shrimp fisheries in the Gulf of Maine.

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Mary Beth Nickell-Tooley has been serving as an at-large Council member from Maine since 2008. She is currently the government relations representative for the O'Hara Corporation of Rockland, ME, a family owned company with diverse fisheries interest from the North Atlantic to the Bering Sea. Ms. Nickell-Tooley also is the former executive director of the East Coast Pelagic Association. Additionally, she is a principal in the Marine Resources Education Project, a federally funded fisheries education and outreach effort organized in partnership with the Gulf of Maine Research Institute. The project provides fishermen with the necessary tools to understand and participate in the region's scientific and management processes. She serves as an industry advisor to the Gulf of Maine Research Institute and the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission.
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Dr. David Pierce oversees the Massachusetts' Division of Marine Fisheries bureau for inter-jurisdictional commercial and recreational fisheries policy and management, as well as fisheries research in support of fisheries management and habitat protection. He is an adjunct professor at the School for Marine Science and Technology (SMAST) at the University of Massachusetts in Dartmouth. Dr. Pierce earned both a B.S. and M.S. in marine biology from that institution and received his Ph.D. in environmental sciences from the University of Massachusetts, Boston. He is the Massachusetts representative to both the New England and Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Councils.

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Tom Dempsey is the Policy Director for the Cape Cod Commercial Fishermen's Alliance. He leads his organization's fisheries policy initiatives and actively develops new program areas to further his organization's mission. He brings academic and hands-on experience with ecological research and management programs around the country, and a working knowledge of fishing vessel operations after working as a crewman on a number of Cape Cod boats. Mr. Dempsey received his bachelor's degree in environmental biology from Dartmouth College and his master's degree in wildlife biology from the University of Alaska, Fairbanks.
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Laura Foley Ramsden is the president and co-owner of the M.F. Foley Fish Company. Located in Boston and New Bedford, the company was founded by her great-grandfather in 1906. After college at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and a career in public relations in Chicago, Mrs. Ramsden worked in the family processing plants, eventually joining the office team in sales and marketing. Today, she and her husband Peter Ramsden are fourth generation owners of the Foley Fish Company. She is serving her first three-year term on the Council.

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Dr. Michael P. Sissenwine, who was appointed to the Council in 2013, is an independent marine science consultant with projects worldwide, a Visiting Scholar at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, and an Adjunct Professor at the University of Massachusetts School of Marine Science and Technology. In addition to serving for last five years on the NEFMC's Scientific and Statistical Committee, he was President of the International Council for Exploration of the Sea (ICES) from 2003-2006, followed by additional service as the Chairman of the ICES Advisory Committee for several years. Dr. Sissenwine served as Director of Scientific Programs and Chief Science Advisor for the U.S. National Marine Fisheries Service until June 2005. Prior to that period, he led eleven National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration programs, funded at a total of nearly one billion dollars annually, to support the Agency's stewardship mission. From 1996-2002, Dr. Sissenwine also served as Director of the Northeast Fisheries Science Center, an institution comprised of five laboratories and 300 staffers. He received a B.S. in mathematics from the University of Massachusetts in Amherst, and a Ph.D. in oceanography from the University of Rhode Island.

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Ellen Goethel was appointed to the Council in 2013 as an obligatory member from the state of New Hampshire. From 1988 to the present, Mrs. Goethel has been teaching courses in marine science in pre-kindergarten through grade-12 classrooms, along with adult courses as part of her NH business *Explore the Ocean World*. She has worked as a deckhand and provided shore side assistance to both commercial and party/charter vessels as well as tracked and participated in local, state, and federal fisheries management efforts. Mrs. Goethel received a B.S. in zoology from the University of New Hampshire.

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Doug Grout is Chief of the Marine Division of New Hampshire's Fish and Game Department where he has worked for more than 30 years. He and his staff manage and monitor estuarine and saltwater species, including fish, lobsters, clams and oysters. The Division also includes the Great Bay Estuarine Research Reserve and the Great Bay Discovery Center. Its staff works closely with other states and federal agencies to protect and maintain marine resources for both commercial and recreational fisheries. Doug has served as New Hampshire's representative to the Council since 2007. He earned his B.S. and M.S. degrees in zoology from the University of New Hampshire.

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Peter Kendall has been a commercial fisherman for 30 years and is the former owner/operator of the 50-foot stern trawler *Elizabeth Ann*. He managed the Portsmouth Fisherman's Co-op in NH for many years and is the current manager the Yankee Fisherman's Cooperative in Seabrook Harbor, NH, a business founded in 1990 to meet the needs of the local fishing community. He graduated from the University of New Hampshire with a B.S. in resource economics. Mr. Kendall was appointed to the Council in 2011 as an at-large member from New Hampshire.
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Mark Gibson has been with the Rhode Island Division of Fish and Wildlife since 1978 as a biologist and as its Deputy Chief of Marine Fisheries since 2000. He has published many technical papers on fisheries science-related topics and still conducts advanced technical research and assessments as needed. Currently, Mr. Gibson directs the agency's \$2.6 million marine program. He received his B.S. in natural resources from the University of Rhode Island, completed a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service course in fish health and further graduate studies in statistics and population dynamics at URI. He has served as RI's designee to the Council since 2004.

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Frank Blount is the owner/operator of the Frances Fleet's four whale watching and deep sea fishing vessels that are home ported in Narragansett, RI. He began his career as a mate in Point Judith and during more than 40 years on the water and has performed virtually every job aboard many types of fishing vessels. Mr. Blount holds a degree in Fisheries and Marine Technology from the University of Rhode Island and is serving a second three-year term on the Council. He previously served on the Council from 1997-2006.

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David Preble brings several decades of experience as a fishery biologist and as a commercial, recreational, and charter boat fisherman to his Council duties. He holds a M.S. in biology with a focus on population homeostasis. He has authored several books, many articles, and a score of scientific reports on fishing and fisheries. Mr. Preble is currently serving his third three-year term as an obligatory member from RI. He also represents the Council as an advisor to the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas and is a U.S. Commissioner to the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization.

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