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Fred L. Smith, Jr. is Founder and Chairman of the Competitive Enterprise Institute, a free market public policy group established in 1984. He is also Director of CEI's Center for Advancing Capitalism. Mr. Smith combines intellectual and strategic analysis of complex policy issues ranging from the environment to corporate governance with an informative and entertaining presentation style. Well-known in academic and professional circles, Mr. Smith is a popular speaker at universities and conferences around the world.

Mr. Smith is also a frequent guest on national television and radio programs to discuss and debate regulatory initiatives and topical policy issues. Providing both analytical and political insights, he has appeared on CNN's "Crossfire," PBS's "News Hour with Jim Lehrer" and "Now with Bill Moyers," ABC's "20/20" and "This Week," NPR's "Talk of the Nation" and "The Diane Rehm Show," and "The G. Gordon Liddy Show," among many others.

A prolific writer, Mr. Smith's works have been published in leading newspapers and magazines such as the Wall Street Journal, National Review, Economic Affairs, and the Washington Times. His academic articles have appeared in journals such as Harvard Journal of Law and Economics, CATO Journal, and Economic Affairs, and he is a contributing editor to Liberty magazine. Mr. Smith is co-editor of Environmental Politics: Public Costs, Private Rewards and the Field Guide for Effective Communication. He has also contributed chapters to more than a dozen books, including Global Warming and Other Eco-Myths, True State of the

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