# **Senate Commerce Committee Nominee Questionnaire, 117th Congress**

Instructions for the nominees: The Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation asks you to provide typed answers to each of the following questions. It is requested that the nominee type the question in full before each response. Do not leave any questions blank. Type "None" or "Not Applicable" if a question does not apply to the nominee. Return printed answers to Committee. Begin each section (i.e., "A", "B", etc.) on a new sheet of paper.

# A. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

1. Name (Include any former names or nicknames used):

Alan Bruce Davidson

2. Position to which nominated:

Assistant Secretary for Commerce and Information, and Administrator of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Department of Commerce

3. Date of Nomination:

October 28, 2021

4. Address (List current place of residence and office addresses):

5 Date and Place of Birth:

October 11, 1967 Baltimore, MD

6. Provide the name, position, and place of employment for your spouse (if married) and the names and ages of your children (including stepchildren and children by a previous marriage).

Melissa Goldman Davidson (spouse), self-employed Amelia Jane Davidson (child), 20 years old

7. List all college and graduate degrees. Provide year and school attended.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, S.B. in Mathematics with Computer Science, 1989

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, S.M. in Technology and Policy, 1993

Yale Law School, J.D., 2004

**8.** List all post-undergraduate employment, and highlight all management-level jobs held and any non-managerial jobs that relate to the position for which you are nominated.

Mozilla Foundation, Senior Advisor (part-time) (2020 - present)
Policy Ventures, President (part-time consulting) (2020 - present)

Mozilla Corporation, Vice President of Global Policy, Trust & Security (2018 - 2020)

Mozilla Foundation, Tech Policy Fellow (part-time) (2017 - 2018) New America, Senior Program Fellow/Public Interest Technology Fellow (part-time) (2017 - 2018)

U.S. Department of Commerce, Director of Digital Economy and Senior Advisor to the Secretary (2015 - 2017)

New America, Vice President for Technology, Policy and Strategy; and Director, Open Technology Institute (2014 - 2015)

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Visiting Scholar/Research Affiliate (part-time) 2012-2014 Policy Ventures, President (part-time) (2012 - 2014)

Google Inc., Director of Public Policy, Americas (2005 - 2012)

Georgetown University, Adjunct Professor, Communications, Culture & Technology Program (2000 - 2006)

Center for Democracy and Technology, Associate Director (1995 - 2005)

Howard, Rice, Nemerovski, Canady, Falk & Rabkin, Summer Associate (Summer 1994)

The White House, Policy Assistant, Office of Policy Development (Summer 1993)

Booz-Allen & Hamilton, Inc., Senior Consultant, Technical Information Systems Practice (Summer 1992)

U.S. Congress Office of Technology Assessment, Summer Intern (Summer 1991)

Booz-Allen & Hamilton, Inc., Senior Consultant, Technical Information Systems Practice (1989 - 1990)

9. Attach a copy of your resume.

#### Attached.

10. List any advisory, consultative, honorary, or other part-time service or positions with Federal, State, or local governments, other than those listed above, within the last ten years.

## None.

11. List all positions held as an officer, director, trustee, partner, proprietor, agent, representative, or consultant of any corporation, company, firm, partnership, or other business, enterprise, educational, or other institution within the last ten years.

In addition to the positions listed in response to Item 8 above:

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Research Affiliate/Digital Fellow, Initiative on the Digital Economy (2017-present)

Center for Democracy and Technology, Board Member (2017-present) Computer & Communications Industry Association, Board Member (2017-present)

Credo AI, Advisor (June 2021-present)

**Internet Education Foundation, Board Member (2006-2015) Technology Policy Strategies, Director (2012)** 

# Software & Information Industry Association, Board Member (until 2012)

**Information Technology Industry Council, Board Member (until 2012)** 

12. Please list each membership you have had during the past ten years or currently hold with any civic, social, charitable, educational, political, professional, fraternal, benevolent or religiously affiliated organization, private club, or other membership organization. (For this question, you do not have to list your religious affiliation or membership in a religious house of worship or institution.). Include dates of membership and any positions you have held with any organization. Please note whether any such club or organization restricts membership on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, national origin, age, or disability.

Adirondack Forty-Sixers, Member, 1993-present
Adirondack Mountain Club, Member, 2016-present
American Bar Association, Member, Periodically from 2005-2020
American Civil Liberties Union, Member, 1997-present
Association of Computing Machinery, Member, 2012-present
Chevy Chase Recreation Association, Family membership, 2007-2011
MIT Club of Washington DC, Member, 1995-present

13. Have you ever been a candidate for and/or held a public office (elected, non-elected, or appointed)? If so, indicate whether any campaign has any outstanding debt, the amount, and whether you are personally liable for that debt.

No.

14. List all memberships and offices held with and services rendered to, whether compensated or not, any political party or election committee within the past ten years. If you have held a paid position or served in a formal or official advisory position (whether compensated or not) in a political campaign within the past ten years, identify the particulars of the campaign, including the candidate, year of the campaign, and your title and responsibilities.

**Volunteer Advisor, Biden for President 2020, Innovation Policy Committee** 

15. Itemize all political contributions to any individual, campaign organization, political party, political action committee, or similar entity of \$200 or more for the past ten years.

Phil Weiser for Colorado (2021) - \$625
Biden for President/Biden Victory Fund (2020) - \$5600
Cindy Axne for Congress (2020) - \$500
The Markey Committee (2020) - \$250
Sara Gideon for Maine (2020) - \$250
Win the Era PAC (2019) - \$500
Bennett for America (2019) - \$300
44 Fund (2018) - \$250
Phil Weiser for Colorado (2017-18) - \$500
Alec Ross for Maryland (2017) - \$500
Hillary Victory Fund (2016) - \$2350
Friends of Doug Gansler (2013) - \$500
Leahy for U.S. Senator Committee (2013) - \$250
Obama for America (2012) - \$3500
Congressman Waxman Campaign Committee (2012) - \$1000

16. List all scholarships, fellowships, honorary degrees, honorary society memberships, military medals, and any other special recognition for outstanding service or achievements.

U.S. Department of Commerce Bronze Medal, 2016 Hugh Hampton Young Fellowship, MIT, 1991 Bernard Rabinowitz Fellowship for Leadership and Service, MIT, 1990 Karl Taylor Compton Prize, MIT, 1989 Golden Nugget Scholarship, 1985-1989

17. Please list each book, article, column, Internet blog posting, or other publication you have authored, individually or with others. Include a link to each publication when possible. Also list any speeches that you have given on topics relevant to the position for which you have been nominated. Do not attach copies of these publications unless otherwise instructed.

I have periodically participated in discussions at conferences or served as a guest speaker in academic settings. Below is a list of publications and relevant speeches I have been able to identify through a diligent review of my records and the Internet.

## **Publications:**

Lloyd, John; Lamb, Kaili; Davidson, Alan; Jakobson, Christine. <u>Misinformation in the 2020 US Elections: A Timeline of Platform</u> <u>Changes</u>, Mozilla Blog, March 8, 2021

Baker, Mitchell; Davidson, Alan; Kak, Amba; Munyua, Alice. <u>Reimagine Open: Building Better Internet Experiences</u>, Mozilla Report, January 2021

Davidson, Alan; Munyua, Alice. <u>Reimagine Open: Building a Healthier Internet</u>, Mozilla Blog, January 14, 2021

Keating, Amy; Davidson, Alan. <u>Next steps for Net Neutrality</u>, July 6, 2020

Davidson, Alan. <u>Protecting Search and Browsing Data from Warrantless Access</u>, Mozilla Blog, May 22, 2020

Davidson, Alan; Erwin, Marshall. <u>Contact Tracing, Governments, and Data</u>, Mozilla Blog, April 29, 2020

Davidson, Alan; Keating, Amy. <u>Breaking down this week's net neutrality</u> <u>court decision</u>, Mozilla Blog, October 4, 2019

Davidson, Alan. <u>It's time for the US Senate to Save the Net</u>, Mozilla Blog, June 10, 2019

Davidson, Alan. <u>Android Browser Choice Screen in Europe</u>, Mozilla, April 18, 2019

Davidson, Alan; Keating, Amy. <u>Mozilla Fights On For Net Neutrality</u>, Mozilla Blog, November 16, 2018

Davidson, Alan. *Building our Technology Policy Future*, Medium, October 20, 2017

Davidson, Alan. <u>The Trans-Pacific Partnership: Preserving a Free and Open Internet</u>, Recode.net, January 2016

Davidson, Alan. <u>The Commerce Department's Digital Economy Agenda</u>, Department of Commerce, November 9, 2015

Davidson, Alan. <u>Commerce and the Digital Economy – Towards A</u> <u>Transatlantic Partnership</u>, Department of Commerce, July 21, 2015

Davidson, Alan; Kehl, Danielle. <u>Build an Internet for everyone</u>, <u>everywhere</u>, CNN, February 9, 2015

Freedman, Tom; Davidson, Alan; Hunt, Alexander. <u>Voters agree: A free and open Internet is crucial to our economic future</u>, Mercury News, December 29, 2014

Brown, Bruce D.; Davidson, Alan B. *Opinion: Is Google Like Gas or Like Steel?*, New York Times, January 4, 2013

Ann Cavoukian et al., *Privacy: Front and Center*, IEEE Security and Privacy, September 2012

Davidson, Alan; Tauke, Tom. *A joint policy proposal for an open Internet*, Google Public Policy Blog, August 9, 2010

Davidson, Alan; <u>Testifying before the Congressional - Executive</u> <u>Commission on China</u>, Google Public Policy Blog, March 24, 2010

Davidson, Alan; Tauke, Tom. <u>Our common ground on the open Internet</u>, Google Public Policy Blog, January 15, 2010

Davidson, Alan; <u>Aneesh Chopra as Chief Technology Officer</u>, Google Public Policy Blog, April 18, 2009

Davidson, Alan. *Looking back, looking forward*, Google Public Policy Blog, December 29, 2008

Davidson, Alan. *Looking back on the year in public policy*, Google Public Policy Blog, December 28, 2007

Davidson, Alan. *Eric Schmidt's summer of public policy*, Google Public Policy Blog, July 26, 2007

Davidson, Alan; Morris, John. <u>Internet Technical Standards Setting</u> <u>Bodies: The Public Policy Venues of the Twenty-First Century</u>, The Standards Edge: Dynamic Tension, 2004

Bruening, Paula; Davidson, Alan; Schwartz, Ari; <u>Privacy Principles for Authentication Systems</u>, TPRC 2003, September 19. 2003

Davidson, Alan; Morris, John. <u>Policy Impact Assessments: Considering the Public Interest in Internet Standards Development</u>, TPRC 2003, August 31, 2003

Davidson, Alan; Morris, John. <u>Public Policy Considerations for Internet</u> Design Decisions, CDT, June 2003

Courtney, Robert; Davidson, Alan; Morris, Alan. <u>Strangers in a Strange</u> <u>Land: Public Interest Advocacy and Internet Standards</u>, CDT, September 29, 2002

Auerbach, Karl; Crawford, Susan; Davidson, Alan; Neumann, Peter. <u>ICANN in Year 3</u>, CFP '02: Proceedings of the 12th annual conference on Computers, Freedom and Privacy, April 2002

Davidson, Alan. <u>Collective action and the development of technical standards in U.S. industry</u>, Masters Thesis, MIT, 1993

# Speeches:

2020 U.S. Election Preview: Impact on the Digital Economy, MIT Initiative on the Digital Economy Seminar, October 2020

Global Data Protection: Privacy Through Better Product Design, Canada House of Commons, International Grand Committee on Big Data, Privacy and Democracy, May 2019

Remarks of Department of Commerce Director of Digital Economy Alan Davidson, 10th Annual Southeast Venture Conference, March 2016

Remarks of Department of Commerce Director of Digital Economy Alan Davidson, MMTC Broadband and Social Justice Summit, January 2016

Remarks of Alan Davidson, Director of Digital Economy, U.S. Department of Commerce, US Telecom National Cybersecurity Policy Forum, October 2015

Presentation by Alan Davidson, Google Director of Public Policy, Internet for Peace Conference, September 2010

Internet Censorship in the World Today, American Jewish Committee ACCESS DC, 10th Annual Young Diplomats Reception, April 2010

Liberty by Design, MIT Brunel Lecture Series on Complex Systems, November 2009

Google in Washington, Yale Law School, April 2008

Making the World's Information Accessible: The View from Google, American Library Association, May 2007

Internet Regulation and Design: A View from the Front Lines, MIT Technology & Policy Program 30th Anniversary Celebration, May 2006

Protecting the Freedom to Read in an Era of Internet Filtering, American Library Association Mid-Winter Conference, January 2004

18. List all digital platforms (including social media and other digital content sites) on which you currently or have formerly operated an account, regardless of whether or not the account was held in your name or an alias. Include the name of an "alias" or "handle" you have used on each of the named platforms. Indicate whether the account is active, deleted, or dormant. Include a link to each account if possible.

Facebook: Alan Davidson (@abdavidson) - <a href="https://www.facebook.com/abdavidson">https://www.facebook.com/abdavidson</a> (Active)

# **Instagram:**

- @davidsonsdc <a href="https://www.instagram.com/davidsonsdc/">https://www.instagram.com/davidsonsdc/</a> (Active)
- @alandavidsondc -- <a href="https://www.instagram.com/alandavidsondc/">https://www.instagram.com/alandavidsondc/</a>
  (Dormant)

Twitter: @abdavidson -- <a href="https://twitter.com/abdavidson">https://twitter.com/abdavidson</a> (Active)

Snapchat: @abdavidson11 (Active)

LinkedIn: Alan Davidson -

https://www.linkedin.com/in/alan-b-davidson/ (Active)

Pinterest: @abdavidson0361 -

https://www.pinterest.com/abdavidson0361/ (Dormant)

TikTok: @AlanDavidson571 -

https://www.tiktok.com/@user8223090148538 (Dormant)

19. Please identify each instance in which you have testified orally or in writing before Congress in a governmental or non-governmental capacity and specify the date and subject matter of each testimony.

Consumer Privacy and Protection in the Mobile Marketplace, Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Subcommittee on Protection, Product Safety, and the Insurance, May 19, 2011

<u>Protecting Mobile Privacy: Your Smartphones, Tablets, Cell Phones, and Your Privacy</u>, Senate Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Privacy, Technology, and the Law, May 10, 2011

**Google and Internet Control in China:** A Nexus Between Human Rights and Trade?, Congressional-Executive Commission on China, March 24, 2010

**Consumer Privacy and Government Technology Mandates in the Digital Media Marketplace**, Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and
Transportation, September 17, 2003

**Internet Cooperation for Assigned Names and Numbers**, Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Subcommittee on Communications, July 31, 2003

**Overexposed: The Threats to Privacy and Security on Filesharing Networks**, House Committee on Government Reform, May 15, 2003

Limited Powers, Improved Accountability: Saving the ICANN Experiment, Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, June 12, 2002

<u>Cybercrime: Protecting Public Safety and Personal Privacy</u>, House Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, June 12, 2001

ICANN: Towards Domain Name Administration in the Public Interest, House Committee on Energy, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, February 8, 2001

<u>Carnivore's Challenge to Privacy and Security Online</u>, House Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution, July 24, 2000

<u>Privacy, Security, and U.S. Encryption Policy</u>, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, July 23, 1999

**Encryption Security in a High Tech Era**, House Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, May 18, 1999

**Security and Freedom Through Encryption Act**, House Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, March 4, 1999

20. Given the current mission, major programs, and major operational objectives of the department/agency to which you have been nominated, what in your background or employment experience do you believe affirmatively qualifies you for appointment to the position for which you have been nominated, and why do you wish to serve in that position?

I am honored to have been nominated to lead NTIA and, if confirmed, would bring over 25 years of experience as an executive, public interest leader, technologist, and attorney. During this time, I have served in leadership positions in nonprofits, government, and industry, working at the intersection of technology, communications, and public policy. I was trained as a computer scientist, policy professional, and attorney. My

experiences are directly applicable to the subject matter and managerial skills that will be central to success for NTIA's next leader.

I have extensive experience leading organizations in high-pressure policy settings focused on issues directly related to NTIA's mission. Most recently, at Mozilla, I was responsible for leading global Internet policy, privacy and security risk management teams. I also have direct experience in the Commerce Department, gaining a broad perspective as its first Director of Digital Economy and a Senior Advisor to the Secretary. In addition, I have worked on broadband adoption and access and spectrum issues in several different forums, including New America's Open Technology Institute, Mozilla, and earlier at Google. I started Google's Washington office and worked on a broad range of tech and telecom issues as its Director of Policy for the Americas. I like growing organizations, a passion I hope to bring to NTIA at a time when it will be building capacity and seeking top talent for its compelling mission.

I am eager to join NTIA because of the opportunities for impact that it offers. Foremost among these is the once-in-a-generation opportunity to bridge the digital divide and connect all Americans. If confirmed, I hope to play a critical role in ensuring all Americans have access to affordable, high-speed broadband service and to a more open and equitable online ecosystem. I also strongly believe in the importance of building our society's capacity to understand and leverage the implications of new technology and to build networks and technology in the service of people. I believe NTIA will play an important role in these efforts.

21. What do you believe are your responsibilities, if confirmed, to ensure that the department/agency has proper management and accounting controls, and what experience do you have in managing a large organization?

NTIA has a critical role to responsibly administer its grant programs and other operational structures that will be essential to connecting all Americans to affordable, high-speed broadband service. Several proposals currently under consideration in Congress, would add substantial new oversight for billions of dollars of programs directly

administered by NTIA. It will be essential for NTIA to administer grants, oversee funds, and manage its operational and advisory efforts in compliance with the law and with the greatest of integrity.

The Assistant Secretary has responsibility for NTIA's work and for ensuring its proper management and oversight. If confirmed, I will work to hire and oversee top talent of high integrity with strong executive capabilities. I expect to work closely with legal counsel and budget officials at NTIA and the Commerce Department, to ensure grant-making has appropriate accounting controls in place and is done with the highest ethical standards. I am also committed to providing regular updates to Congress on the status of NTIA's work, and to seeking partnership with Congress in this whole-of-government effort to connect all Americans.

I have substantial professional experience managing high-performing teams in high-pressure settings. I have most recently been an executive at the Mozilla Corporation, leading policy, privacy, and security teams executing projects essential to the company's success. As Director of the Open Technology Institute, I had managerial and fundraising responsibility for a 40-person team of technology builders and policy advocates. Earlier I started, built, and ran Google's policy team in Washington and then the Americas, ultimately managing a team of over 60. As Director of Digital Economy at the Commerce Department, I ran the Secretary's Digital Economy Leadership Team and saw firsthand how managerial excellence can have impact in government. I have sat on multiple non-profit boards with fiscal oversight responsibilities. If confirmed, I believe all of these skills and prior managerial experiences will serve me well as Assistant Secretary and NTIA Administrator.

- 22. What do you believe to be the top three challenges facing the department/agency, and why?
  - 1. <u>Bridging the Digital Divide</u> Broadband Internet is a critical part of everyday American life. As the pandemic has made clear, people need broadband to work, to learn, and to connect. Yet too many American households today are being left behind without affordable, high-speed broadband service. With programs already funded, and the prospect of additional federal infrastructure funding, NTIA will be at the center of a once-in-a-generation opportunity to close the digital divide, increase broadband access and adoption, and connect all Americans. This will be my top priority in the coming years.
  - 2. Ensuring Access to Spectrum Spectrum use has never been more critical for both federal and commercial users. From meeting the needs of federal users to supporting the rollout of 5G and other advanced wireless technologies to realizing the promise of next generation services and connected devices, NTIA has a central role to play in a broad coordinated, national approach to spectrum use and planning, to meet the demand for spectrum now and in the future.
  - 3. <u>Building a Stronger Internet</u> For over three decades the Internet has been a beneficial force providing people with access to knowledge, connections with community, and new economic opportunities. But today's Internet faces increasing challenges. Threats to security, eroding privacy, and challenges to the openness of the Internet around the world are among the risks that people face online today. We can do better. NTIA is positioned to support the Administration and lawmakers in bolstering cybersecurity, protecting privacy, and pressing for America's view of a free and open Internet around the world.

## B. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

1. Describe all financial arrangements, deferred compensation agreements, and other continuing dealings with business associates, clients, or customers. Please include information related to retirement accounts.

I have a 401(k) retirement account with the Mozilla Corporation. Mozilla is no longer making contributions to that account. I am transferring it to an unaffiliated IRA investment account, which should be completed by December 31, 2021.

2. Do you have any commitments or agreements, formal or informal, to maintain employment, affiliation, or practice with any business, association or other organization during your appointment? If so, please explain.

None. Policy Ventures, a consulting company of which I am the sole proprietor, will be inactive during my government service.

3. Indicate any investments, obligations, liabilities, or other relationships which could involve potential conflicts of interest in the position to which you have been nominated. Explain how you will resolve each potential conflict of interest.

As part of the nomination process, I have consulted with the Office of Government Ethics and the Designated Agency Ethics Official at the Department of Commerce to identify any potential conflicts of interest. Any conflict of interest will be resolved according to the ethics agreement that I have entered into with the Commerce Department's Designated Agency Ethics Official and that will be provided to this Committee.

If an actual or potential conflict of interest arises during my appointment, I will consult with the Commerce Department's ethics counsel and take the necessary steps to resolve the conflict.

4. Describe any business relationship, dealing, or financial transaction which you have had during the last ten years, whether for yourself, on behalf of a client, or acting as an agent, that could in any way constitute or result in a possible

conflict of interest in the position to which you have been nominated. Explain how you will resolve each potential conflict of interest.

As part of the nomination process, I have consulted with the Office of Government Ethics and the Designated Agency Ethics Official at the Department of Commerce to identify any potential conflicts of interest. Any conflict of interest will be resolved according to the ethics agreement that I have entered into with the Commerce Department's Designated Agency Ethics Official and that will be provided to this Committee.

If an actual or potential conflict arises during my appointment, I will consult with ethics officials at the Department of Commerce and take actions necessary to resolve the conflict.

5. Identify any other potential conflicts of interest, and explain how you will resolve each potential conflict of interest.

I am not aware of any other potential conflicts of interest.

If an actual or potential conflict arises during my appointment, I will consult with ethics officials at the Department of Commerce and take actions necessary to resolve the conflict.

6. Describe any activity during the past ten years, including the names of clients represented, in which you have been engaged for the purpose of directly or indirectly influencing the passage, defeat, or modification of any legislation or affecting the administration and execution of law or public policy.

From 2018 to 2020, in my role as Vice President of Global Policy, Trust, and Security, I have advocated for the Mozilla Corporation. From 2014 to 2015, in my role as New America Vice President of Technology, Policy, and Strategy and Director of OTI, I have advocated for the Open Technology Institute at New America. From 2005 to 2012, in my roles as Policy Counsel and Director of Public Policy, I advocated for Google Inc.

#### C. LEGAL MATTERS

1. Have you ever been disciplined or cited for a breach of ethics, professional misconduct, or retaliation by, or been the subject of a complaint to, any court, administrative agency, the Office of Special Counsel, professional association, disciplinary committee, or other professional group?

## No.

If yes:

- a. Provide the name of agency, association, committee, or group;
- b. Provide the date the citation, disciplinary action, complaint, or personnel action was issued or initiated;
- c. Describe the citation, disciplinary action, complaint, or personnel action;
- d. Provide the results of the citation, disciplinary action, complaint, or personnel action.

# Not applicable.

2. Have you ever been investigated, arrested, charged, or held by any Federal, State, or other law enforcement authority of any Federal, State, county, or municipal entity, other than for a minor traffic offense? If so, please explain.

No.

3. Have you or any business or nonprofit of which you are or were an officer ever been involved as a party in an administrative agency proceeding, criminal proceeding, or civil litigation? If so, please explain.

No.

4. Have you ever been convicted (including pleas of guilty or *nolo contendere*) of any criminal violation other than a minor traffic offense? If so, please explain.

No.

5. Have you ever been accused, formally or informally, of sexual harassment or discrimination on the basis of sex, race, religion, or any other basis? If so, please explain.

No.

6. Please advise the Committee of any additional information, favorable or unfavorable, which you feel should be disclosed in connection with your nomination.

None.

## D. RELATIONSHIP WITH COMMITTEE

1. Will you ensure that your department/agency complies with deadlines for information set by congressional committees, and that your department/agency endeavors to timely comply with requests for information from individual Members of Congress, including requests from members in the minority?

Yes.

2. Will you ensure that your department/agency does whatever it can to protect congressional witnesses and whistle blowers from reprisal for their testimony and disclosures?

Yes.

3. Will you cooperate in providing the Committee with requested witnesses, including technical experts and career employees, with firsthand knowledge of matters of interest to the Committee?

Yes.

4. Are you willing to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Congress on such occasions as you may be reasonably requested to do so?

Yes.

## F. AFFIDAVIT

Alan B Davidson being duly sworn, hereby states that he/she has read and signed the foregoing Statement on Biographical and Financial Information and that the information provided therein is, to the best of his/her knowledge, current, accurate, and complete.

Signature of Nominee

Subscribed and sworn before me this day of November 2021

**Notary Public** 

ESTHER LEVY FINKELSTEIN NOTARY PUBLIC MONTOMERY COUNTY

MARYLAND
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES OCTOBER 19, 2024

## ALAN DAVIDSON

Mission-driven executive with nonprofit, business, and government experience at the intersection of Internet technology and law.

#### **EXPERIENCE**

#### MOZILLA, Washington, DC and San Francisco, CA

2018-present

Vice President of Global Policy, Trust & Security; Senior Advisor at Mozilla Foundation Currently Senior Advisor at Mozilla, maker of the Firefox web browser and other open source software. Until Fall 2020 served as Mozilla Corporation'VP executive leader for public policy, privacy, and security risk functions. Led policy teams in the US, Europe, India, and Africa, achieving wins for Mozilla's "trusted tech" approach to privacy, content regulation, and cybersecurity. Enforced Mozilla's lean data practices, compliance with privacy laws, and red team security exercises. Led policy efforts to enable new privacy and security product features.

#### NEW AMERICA AND MOZILLA FOUNDATION, Washington, DC

2017-2018

Senior Program Fellow, Tech Policy Fellow

Senior Program and Public Interest Tech Fellow with New America's Open Technology Institute. Tech Policy Fellow at Mozilla. Created the PIT University Network to train and inspire the next generation of public interest technologists.

## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, Washington, DC

2015-2017

Director of Digital Economy and Senior Advisor to the Secretary

Served as the first U.S. Director of Digital Economy, coordinating Internet and IT policy in the Commerce Department. Created Department's first Digital Economy Agenda. Launched initiatives on global data flows, cybersecurity, and the Internet of Things. Started "Digital Attaches" program of embassy digital officers in U.S. Commercial Service.

## NEW AMERICA FOUNDATION, Washington, DC

2014-2015

Vice President for Technology, Policy and Strategy and Director, Open Technology Institute Led team of 40 technology and policy professionals in research and advocacy on Internet policy and digital rights. Set organizational vision and policy agenda. Solicited major grants, and raised and managed \$6 million annual budget.

#### MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, Cambridge, MA

2012-2014

Visiting Scholar/Research Affiliate, School of Engineering and Sloan School of Management Taught undergraduate, graduate courses on Internet technology and law. Helped found Internet Policy Research Initiative at the MIT Computer Science & Artificial Intelligence Laboratory.

#### GOOGLE INC., Washington, DC

2005-2012

Director of Public Policy, Americas

Opened Google's public policy office in Washington. Led Google's government relations work in North and South America, in addition to a global policy strategy group. Built and managed team of over 60 policy professionals, covering business-critical issues such as privacy, antitrust, copyright, telecom, security, and trade. Accomplishments included:

- Created multi-year strategies to promote company priorities and a free and open Internet.
- Counseled business units on policy and regulation, with impact on products like Gmail, Android, Google Plus, Chrome, and Interest-Based Advertising.
- Oversaw telecom regulatory work, leading successful campaigns on net neutrality, freeing up TV white spaces, and spectrum auctions.

Represented company externally, including Congressional testimony on China and privacy.

## CENTER FOR DEMOCRACY AND TECHNOLOGY, Washington, DC

#### 1995-2005

Associate Director and Staff Counsel

Directed major projects for public interest group promoting civil liberties on the Internet. Led Center efforts on free expression, copyright, encryption, and Internet governance. Drafted filings for government agency and federal court proceedings. Served as chief financial officer and corporate treasurer. Testified at ten hearings before committees of the U.S. Congress.

#### **EDUCATION**

#### YALE LAW SCHOOL, New Haven, CT

J.D. Symposium Editor, Yale Law Journal. Founder, Yale Association for Law, Technology, & Society.

#### MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, Cambridge, MA

S.M., Technology and Policy. Interdisciplinary studies in computer science, policy, management.

#### MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, Cambridge, MA

S.B., Mathematics with Computer Science. Karl Taylor Compton Prize winner.

#### **BOARD MEMBERSHIPS**

#### CENTER FOR DEMOCRACY AND TECHNOLOGY, Washington, DC

Non-profit public interest group advocating for civil liberties and human rights in the digital age. Governance Committee Chair. Head of CEO Search Committee (2019-20).

#### COMPUTER AND COMMUNCIATIONS INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION, Washington, DC

Trade association for Internet and IT companies promoting openness and competition online.

Past board memberships include Internet Education Foundation (Washington DC), Information Technology Industry Council (Washington DC), and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Board of Trustees (Cambridge, MA).

#### **OTHER**

Fellow with MIT Sloan School of Management's Initiative on the Digital Economy. Admitted to District of Columbia Bar.

Married and father of two.

Adirondack Forty-Sixer.