



***Schedule of events: 2018 WCI Washington Meetings**

**(subject to change)*

The Washington Seminar runs from 1:30-5 p.m., with an Opening Lunch at 12 Noon, on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at the Watergate Hotel, 2650 Virginia Ave., NW, Washington, DC.

Tuesday, February 13

- 7:30 a.m. Registration opens (*Moretti Ballroom Foyer*)
- 8:00 a.m. Buffet breakfast (*Moretti Ballroom Foyer*)
- 8:30-11:30 a.m. **WCI Board of Directors Meeting** (*WCI members only*) (*Moretti Ballroom EF*)
- 12:00 p.m. **Opening Lunch Address TBD**
(*Moretti Ballroom C*)
Introduced by Mike Toohey, WCI President/CEO
- 1:15-1:30 p.m. Break
- 1:30-2:00 p.m. **Keynote Seminar Address by The Honorable Mark Buzby, Administrator, U.S. Maritime Administration** (*invited*)
(*Moretti Ballroom D*)
Introduced by Tim Parker, Parker Towing Company, WCI Chairman
- 2:00-2:45 p.m. **Congressional Professional Staff Panel** (*invited*)
Teri Donaldson, General Counsel, Senate Environment and Public Works Committee
Ian Bennitt, Staff Director, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee
Moderated by Tracy Zea, WCI Director of Government Relations
- 2:45-3:15 p.m. **Address by Senator Tammy Duckworth (D-IL)** (*invited*)
Introduced by Rodney Weinzierl, Illinois Corn Growers Association; WCI Board of Directors
- 3:15-3:30 p.m. Break (*Moretti Ballroom Foyer*)
- 3:30-4:00 p.m. **Address by Rep. Bill Shuster, Chairman, House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee** (*invited*)
Introduced by Peter Stephaich, Campbell Transportation Co., WCI Vice Chairman

- 4:00-4:30 p.m. **Address by D.J. Gribbin, Special Assistant to the President for Infrastructure Policy** (*invited*)
Introduced by Matt Woodruff, Kirby Corporation, WCI Board of Directors
- 4:30-5:00 p.m. **Address by Senator John Barrasso (R-WY), Chairman of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee** (*invited*)
Introduced by Dan Mecklenborg, Ingram Barge Company, WCI Board of Directors
- 5:00-5:45 p.m. **WCI Advocacy Asks: Preparation for Capitol Hill visits** (*WCI members only*), led by **Chris Johnsen** and **John Doyle, Jones Walker**
- 5:45 p.m. Adjourn
- 5:45-7:00 p.m. **WCI Opening Reception** (*The Library*)

Wednesday, February 14

- 7:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast (*Corning Room*)
- 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Capitol Hill Visits
- 6:00 -9:00 p.m. **WCI 17th Annual Leadership Service Award reception and dinner** (*honoree TBA*)
(Moretti Ballroom EF)
Waterways Counsel Award presentation (*recipient TBA*)
Presentation/Retiring of the Colors by the Joint Armed Forces Color Guard from the Military District of Washington

Thursday, February 15

- 8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast (*Cecchi Foyer*)
- 9:00-10:00 a.m. WCI Membership and Retention Committee Meeting (*Cecchi A*) (*by invitation only*)
- 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. National Waterways Foundation Meeting (*Foundation Trustees, Invited Guests Only*) (*Cecchi Foyer*)