



# The Aerospace States Association

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Mr. Garelick Bell has over 20 years of policy experience at the federal, state, local, and tribal levels of government policy development and serves as the Executive Director of the Aerospace States Association, an organization established to advance the aerospace community at the state level. Under his direction, as Director of State Chapters and then as Deputy Executive Director, Mr. Garelick Bell has quadrupled the organization's membership while creating and expanding the organization's chapters to California, Arizona, Hawaii, Utah, Colorado, Alabama, Louisiana, Nevada, New Mexico, Virginia, Florida, and Georgia with continued growth expected. Through this growth, ASA has advised legislative offices and testified before both the California State Senate and Assembly Judiciary Committees on Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) policy and vision, seen the passage of state legislation establishing aerospace commissions, and been sought after as a source for state aerospace input by the aerospace community at large.

Mr. Garelick Bell is the Managing Partner at MRGB Consulting, LLC, which specializes in aerospace, defense, appropriations, cyber security energy, environment, Native American issues, and non-profit management. Previously, Mr. Garelick Bell handled Space, Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV), National Security, and science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) Policy at the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA). Mr. Garelick Bell also provides analysis and chapter content National Aeronautics and Space Association (NASA) for the American Association for the Advancement of Science's annual review of research and development funding in the President's Budget Request. For AIAA, he has conducted Congressional panels on the impacts of space exploration on the overall economy, human rating for spaceflight, commercial space applications, and earth observation systems in order to effectively understand and implement any climate change activities and legislation.

Prior to AIAA, Mr. Garelick Bell was the Founder, President, and Bureau Chief of The Capitol Pulse, Inc., Natural Resources Policy Director for the Texas Office of State-Federal Relations, serving as the liaison for the then Governor George W. Bush and the state legislature to the United States Congress and Federal Government on energy, agriculture, and natural resource issues, and served as the director of the Energy, Environment, Natural Resources, and Agriculture Task Force and as the director of the Transportation Task Force at the American Legislative Exchange Council. Mr. Garelick Bell has testified before state legislative committees, briefed state legislative freshman classes, participated in conference panels, and co-authored editorials.

Mr. Garelick Bell holds a Master of Public Administration degree from The George Washington University with a concentration in Executive, Legislative, and Regulatory Management and a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science from Arizona State University. In addition, Mr. Garelick Bell held a gubernatorial appointment to the Virginia-Israel Advisory Board and has served on the Alexandria Environmental Policy Commission and the Alexandria Waterfront Committee.