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**To:** 'amy\_barrera@thune.senate.gov'  
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**To:** 'garrett.fultz@mail.house.gov'  
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**Attachments:** Ken ONO CV2024 with photo.pdf

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Where: Hogan Lovells' offices, 555 13<sup>th</sup> St, NW (Metro Center stop on the Red Line)

Hors d'oeuvres and refreshments will be served. Please note: The reception is being planned in accordance with House and Senate Ethics Rules.

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We look forward to seeing you then.

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