**Greenland: Sovereignty, Security and Arctic Cooperation**

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**Law Offices of DLA Piper – Washington, DC**

**Co-Sponsor: Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies; Michigan State University – Canadian Studies Center; McInnes Cooper**

**9:00 AM – Welcome and Introduction**

* **William Minor** – Managing Partner, DLA Piper
* **Stephen Petras** – Director, Frederick K. Cox International Law Center, United States National Director, Canada-United States Law Institute, Case Western Reserve University School of Law – **Confirmed.**
* **Hon. Peter MacKay** – Co-Chair, Canada-United States Law Institute, Canada’s former Minister of      Justice, Foreign Affairs, and National Defence
* **Hon. James Blanchard** – Co-Chair, Canada-United States Law Institute, Co-Chair - Ambassador Circle, National Democratic Institute, formerly Governor of Michigan, United States Ambassador to Canada, United States Representative from Michigan

**9:15 AM – Delegation Discussion**

* **Hon. Laurie Fulton** - Attorney and former Ambassador of the United States to Denmark, Co-Chair - Ambassador Circle, National Democratic Institute
* **Rep. Jacob Isbosethsen –** Greenland’s incoming Head of Representation to the United States and Canada
* **Hon. Stig P. Piras –**Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Denmark in United States
* **(Hon. Jesper Møller Sørensen –** Ambassador of Denmark to the United States **(pending)**

**10:30 AM** – **Panel 1: Journalist Perspectives on the Challenges Facing Greenland**

* **Moderator: Diane Francis** – National Post
* **Josh Rogin** – Washington Post
* **Todd Spangler –** Detroit Free Press **(pending)**

**11:45 AM – Luncheon**

**12:15 PM – Panel 2:  Security of the Arctic and Greenland – Collective Defense of the North**

* **Moderator: Hon. Peter MacKay** – Co-Chair, Canada-United States Law Institute, Canada’s former Minister of Justice, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Minister of National Defence
* **Hon. Marc Grossman –** Cohen Group and former US Special Representative for Afghanistan and Pakistan, former Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs, former Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs, former US Ambassador to Turkey

* **Rear Admiral Jakob Damgaard Rousøe** –Defence Attaché, Department of Defense, Embassy of Denmark, USA (Washington D.C.)
* **US Department of State Representative** **(pending)**

**1:30 PM - Panel 3:  The Economics of Greenland – Natural Resources and Critical Minerals**

* **Moderator: Christopher Sands** – Senior Research Professor, Johns Hopkins University’s Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies
* **Deputy Minister Jørgen Hammeken-Holm –** Greenland Ministry of Business, Mineral Resources, Energy, Justice and Gender Equality
* **Per Vestergaard Pedersen** – Danish Attorney and Partner – DLA Piper Denmark – Has provided advice and assistance to the Government of Greenland in relation to minerals, oil and gas, hydropower, business activities, environmental matters, and legal matters relating to the Greenland Self-Government
* **Mike Sfraga** – Former US Ambassador to the Arctic Council and Ambassador at Large for Arctic Affairs

**2:45 PM – Conclusion of Conference**