

October 2015 Council Member Training  
Presentation on Financial Disclosure and Recusal Provisions – A Closer Look  
Descriptions of Fictional Central Fishery Management Council and SSC Members

Mr. Sparrow

Council member Sparrow owns 10% of Ocean Bounty Seafoods. Ocean Bounty owns and operates two harvesting vessels in the commercial redfish fishery managed by the Central Council. Mr. Sparrow also is an employee of Ocean Bounty, as a captain on one of its fishing vessels, and he receives a paycheck from the company. Ocean Bounty also owns 25% of Deep Sea LLC, a fishing company that owns and operates two harvesting vessels in the commercial redfish fishery. In 2015, 32 vessels participated in the commercial redfish fishery; Ocean Bounty's vessels harvested 3% of the total harvest of redfish and Deep Sea's vessels harvested 2% of the total harvest of redfish.

Ms. Swann

Council member Swann and her husband own 75% of Swann Consultants, a consulting company that lobbies the Central Council on behalf of clients who are participants in Central Council fisheries, including the redfish fishery. Ms. Swann and her husband also are employees of Swann Consultants and receive paychecks from it. Their clients are charged an established fee for services rendered. Acme Seafoods, a shoreside processing business that specializes in the processing of redfish, owns the remaining 25% of Swann Consultants.

Mr. Turner

Council member Turner is currently employed as a planner with the city of Seaside, a coastal town located within the jurisdiction of the Central Council. Turner also serves on the Board of Directors for an association that represents fishermen from Seaside who participate in the redfish fishery. He receives no compensation for being a board member. In his 20s and 30s, Turner was a very successful commercial redfish fisherman. But in his 40s, Turner retired from commercial fishing and sold his boat, the F/V *Star of the Sea*, to his older son. Turner's older son is 30; his younger son is 15. Turner's older son uses the boat to fish in the commercial redfish fishery and in 2015, the *Star of the Sea* harvested 12% of the total harvest of redfish. During the summer months, Turner's younger son works for an hourly wage in the office for Star of the Sea LLC, answering phones and running errands.

Mr. Barbossa

Council member Barbossa is employed by an advocacy association whose members include fishermen and fishing companies that participate in the bluefish fishery. The bluefish fishery is managed by the Central Council under a catch share program that annually allocates specific amounts of bluefish to groups of fishermen that have formed together for cooperative harvesting purposes. Mr. Barbossa also serves as a board member with Bluefish Forever, a bluefish cooperative harvesting organization that receives an annual allocation of bluefish from NMFS equivalent to 15% of the total harvest of bluefish.

Dr. Ricketts

SSC member Ricketts is a professor in the School of Fisheries for Seaside University. Seaside University and Dr. Ricketts engage in scientific research on various fisheries, including the redfish and bluefish fisheries. He also is a board member for the local chapter of the National Audubon Society.