

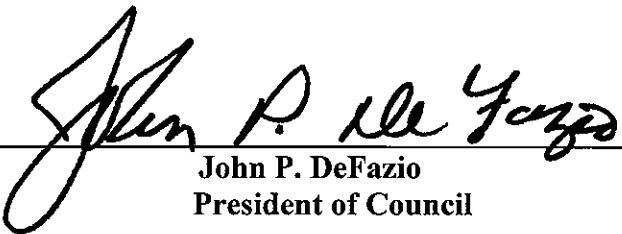
APPOINTMENT

Approving the reappointment of Dr. Michael Finewood to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee, for a term to expire on December 31, 2014.


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In Council MARCH 18th, 2014.

Read and approved by Motion of Council.



John P. DeFazio
President of Council

Attest: 

Jared Barker
Chief Clerk
Allegheny County Council

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RICH FITZGERALD
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCIL

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February 13, 2014

Honorable President and Members
Allegheny County Council
119 Courthouse
436 Grant Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Dear President and Members of Council:

Please see the attached resume of Dr. Michael Finewood whom I am recommending for reappointment to the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee.

This Committee recommends to the Board of Health additions and changes to the rules and regulations, and advises the Department and the Board of Health on matters relative to the control of air quality in Allegheny County. I am recommending that Dr. Finewood serve until December 31, 2014.

Dr. Finewood is currently the Assistant Professor of Sustainability at Chatham University. He received his PH.D in Human Geography at the University of South Carolina.

I appreciate your consideration and ask that you act on this appointment as quickly as possible. Dr. Finewood will make himself available for review before the appropriate committee should Members of Council wish to speak with him.

Sincerely,

Rich Fitzgerald
Allegheny County Executive

CC: Michael Finewood

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Appointments

- 2011-** Assistant Professor of Sustainability, School of Sustainability and the Environment, Chatham University, Pittsburgh, PA
- 2010-2011** Visiting Instructor, Department of Political Science and Geography
Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA
- 2006-2010** Graduate Instructor, Department of Geography
University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC

Research Interests

I am a human geographer and political ecologist with research and teaching interests in environmental governance, water, energy production, and sustainability in the Global North, with an explicit focus on critical geographies and justice.

Education

- 2010** Ph.D., Human Geography, University of South Carolina
Dissertation title: *Feeling the Squeeze: A political ecology of development, race, and inequality on the South Carolina coastal landscape* (Advisor: Dr. Edward R. Carr)
- 2005** M.A., Cultural Anthropology, University of South Carolina
Thesis title: *They're Taking Our Jobs: Representations of Latino Immigrants in the Carolinas* (Advisor: Dr. Ann Kingsolver)
- 2003** B.A., Anthropology, North Carolina State University
Advisor: Dr. Tim Wallace

Publications

- Michael H. Finewood.** (Expected 2013). *If that would have happened: race, memory, and the environment in the South Carolina Lowcountry.* (Book chapter in *A Political Ecology of Exurbia*. Eds., Laura Taylor and Patrick T Hurley).
- Katherine Cruger and **Michael H. Finewood.** (Submitted June 2012). America's Gas Treasure: The neoliberalization of Environmental Justice Discourses in Pennsylvania's Fracking Debate. *Western Journal of Communication*.
- 2012 Finewood, Michael H.** Book Review: Karvonen, Andrew. 2011. *Politics of Urban Runoff: Nature, Technology, and the Sustainable City*. Cambridge, MA: The MIT Press. In *The Professional Geographer* 64(3):468-470.
- 2012 Finewood, Michael H.** Feeling the Squeeze: a political ecology of race and amenity-based development in coastal Bluffton, South Carolina. *Local Environment*.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/13549839.2012.688733>
- 2012 Finewood, Michael H.** and Laura J. Stroup. Fracking and the neoliberalization of the hydro-social cycle in Pennsylvania's Marcellus Shale. *Journal of Contemporary Water Research and Education* 147:72-79.
- 2012 Finewood, Michael H.** and Laura J. Stroup. Natural Gas. *Encyclopedia of Energy*. Edited by Morris A. Pierce. Salem Press.
- 2011** Stroup, Laura J. and **Michael H. Finewood.** The Hybrid AMPE Approach: Towards more effective environmental management. *Society and Natural Resources* 24(1):85-94.
- 2010 Finewood, Michael H.** and Dwayne E. Porter. Theorizing an alternative understanding of 'disconnects' between science and management. *Southeastern Geographer* 50(1):130-146.

Publications in Preparation

- Zoë Meletis and **Finewood, Michael H.** You can't get there from here: Coastal gentrification and the case of Carolina docks. (Target journal: *Social and Cultural Geography*).
- Joseph Pierce and **Michael H. Finewood.** Urban/rural distinctions in U.S. land tenure Systems. (Target journal: *Environment and Planning D*).
- Carr, Edward R. and **Michael H. Finewood.** Deferring Difficult Decisions: Rio +20's Embrace of Market Environmentalism. *Environmental Science and Policy*.

Editorial Work

- Kinne, Beth and Michael H. Finewood. (Expected 2013). Special edition of the *Journal of Environmental Studies and Sciences* on Marcellus Shale Production.

Courses Instructed

2012-2010 Chatham University, School of Sustainability and the Environment

Water Governance *Spring 2013*
The Political Economy of Sustainability *Spring 2013*
Environmental Organizations and Governance (FST 605)
Food and Climate Change (ENV 352)
Knowledge Across Disciplines *Online* (SUS 503)

2010-2011 Old Dominion University, Department of Political Science and Geography

Environmental Geography (GEOG 101)
Map Use and Analysis (GEOG 300)
Cultural and Political Ecology (GEOG 400/500)

2005-2010 University of South Carolina, Department of Geography

World Regional Geography (GEOG 121)
Economic Geography (GEOG 313)
Introduction to Human Geography (GEOG 210)
Graduate Teaching Assistant, Geography of Latin America (GEOG 223)
Graduate Teaching Assistant, Economic Geography (GEOG 313)

2003-2005 University of South Carolina, Department of Anthropology

Co-Instructor, Cultural Anthropology (ANTH 102)
Graduate Teaching Assistant, Anthropology of Law and Conflict (ANTH 353)
Graduate Teaching Assistant, Anthropology of Art (ANTH 356)

Presentations

- 2012 Finewood, Michael H.** *If that would have happened: Memory, race, and the environmental history of BASF in South Carolina. AESS Annual Meeting.* Santa Clara, CA. June 21-24.
- 2012** Mooney, Jessica, David Hassenzahl, **Michael H. Finewood**, and Alice Julier. "Transcending Urban/Suburban/Rural through a University-Based Sustainability Mission." Part of the organized session, "The University and the City" at the *AAG Annual Meeting*, New York, NY.
- 2012 Finewood, Michael H.** "Remembering BASF: Memory, race, and the environment along the South Carolina Coast." Part of the organized session, "Land Use Conflicts" at the *AAG Annual Meeting*. New York, NY.
- 2011** Stroup, Laura and **Michael H. Finewood**. "The political ecology of hydraulic fracking in Northeastern Pennsylvania." Part of the organized session, "The Water-Energy Nexus" at the *AAG Annual Meeting*. Seattle, Washington.

- 2010 Finewood, Michael H.** The political ecology of promulgation: *Spectre v. DHEC* and the neoliberalization of SC land use. *The 17th Annual Critical Conference*. Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- 2010 Finewood, Michael H.** “Redeveloping development: Considerations of justice in discourses of sustainable development, planning, and environmental health science.” Part of the organized session “On Demanding a Politics and Practice of Socially Just Sustainability” at the *AAG Annual Meeting*. Washington, D.C.
- 2009 Finewood, Michael H.** “Feeling the Squeeze’: Normalizing Inequalities on the South Carolina Coastal Landscape.” Part of the organized session, “Emerging Political Ecologies” at *The 16th Annual Critical Geography Mini-Conference*. Athens, Georgia.
- 2009 Meletis, Zoë and Michael H. Finewood.** “You can’t get there from here: Coastal gentrification and the case of Carolina docks.” Part of the organized session, “Coastal Gentrification” at the *AAG Annual Meeting*. Las Vegas, Nevada.
- 2008 Terry, William and Michael H. Finewood.** “Sustaining ‘playscapes’: a cultural economy of work in the global tourism industry.” Presented at *The 15th Annual conference on Critical Geography*. Athens, Ohio.
- 2008 Finewood, Michael H.** “Getting a handle on development’: Progress and modernity in Bluffton, South Carolina.” Part of the organized session, “Subdividing nature: The political ecology of governing rural land-use change in the U.S.” at the *AAG Annual Meeting*. Boston, Massachusetts.
- 2008 Finewood, Michael H.** “The Politics of Environmental Change.” Presented at *GeoFest 33*. Columbia, South Carolina.
- 2007 Finewood, Michael H.** “Contradictions in land use decision-making: Rearticulating ‘disconnects’ between land use managers and environmental health scientists.” Part of the organized session, “Political Ecology of the U.S. South” at the *Southeastern Division of the AAG Annual Meeting*. Charleston, South Carolina.
- 2007 Finewood, Michael H.** “The ‘Development’ of Bluffton, South Carolina.” Presented at the *AAG Annual Meeting*. San Francisco, California.
- 2006 Finewood, Michael H.** “Columbia Textile Mills: Use and Reuse.” Presented at the *Binghamton Symposium*. Columbia, South Carolina.
- 2006 Finewood, Michael H., Braxton Davis, Dwayne Porter, and Emily McDonald.** “The Role of Science in Coastal Land Use Policy in the Southeastern U.S.” Presented at *The Coastal Society 20th International Conference*. St. Petersburg, Florida.
- 2006 Finewood, Michael.** “Work, Valorization, and Immigration in the Carolinas.” Presented at the *AAG Annual Meeting*. Chicago, Illinois.
- 2005 Finewood, Michael.** “Local Perspectives on Latino Immigration in the Carolinas: ‘The American Dream is Going to Mexico.’” Presented at the *South Carolina Anthropology Student Conference*. Columbia, South Carolina.

Grants and Awards

- 2012** (Submitted) Co-PI, Eden Hall Campus Socio-Ecological Connections Project. (Environmental Education Grants Program, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Environmental Protection) (\$7,500)
- 2011** Co-PI, The Disparate Impacts of SLR on Hampton Roads' Underserved Populations Residing in the Chesapeake Bay's Coastal Zone: A Multidisciplinary Approach to Understanding the Impact of Various Remediation Policy Options to Address Contaminated Environments (Old Dominion University's Climate Change – Sea Level Rise Initiative seed grants) (\$37,800)
- 2008** The University of South Carolina College of Arts and Sciences Travel Award (\$500)
- 2006** The Coastal Society Travel Award (\$500)
- 2006** University of South Carolina Graduate School Research Fellowship (\$20,000)
- 2004** International Travel Award, Richard L. Walker Institute of International and Area Studies, University of South Carolina (\$1,000)
- 2002** Study Abroad Scholarship, North Carolina State University (\$500)

Conference Planning and Participation

- 2012** Session chair, "Land Use Conflicts." *AAG Annual Meeting*. New York, NY.
- 2012** Panel participant, "Revising Sustainability." *Carson Academic Conference*. Chatham University. Pittsburgh, PA.
- 2011** Panel participant, "Gullah/Geechee Communities in the Changing Lowcountry Landscape." *SEDAAG Annual Meeting*. Savannah, GA.
- 2011** Panel co-chair and co-organizer (with Dr. Laura Stroup), "Geographic Perspectives on Hydraulic Fracturing." *AAG Annual Meeting*. Seattle, Washington.
- 2010** Panel Chair, "Washington DC: Competing Landscapes and Conceptions." *AAG Annual Meeting*. Washington D.C.
- 2010** Session co-chair and co-organizer (with Dr. Anne Short), "Governance, environmental change, and evolving land uses in rural areas." *AAG Annual Meeting*. Washington, D.C.
- 2010** Program Committee Member, *Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting*.
- 2009** Session Co-Chair and co-organizer (with Dr. Zoë Meletis) of conference session titled, "Gentrification Goes Coastal." *AAG Annual Meeting*. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Memberships

Organizations

Association of American Geographers
Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers
Association of Environmental Studies and Sciences

Specialty Group Affiliation

Studies of the American South Specialty Group (AAG)
Economic Geography Specialty Group (AAG)
Cultural and Political Ecology Specialty Group (AAG)

Service Positions

Secretary, Association of Environmental Studies and Sciences (2012-)
Vice-chair, Studies of the American South Specialty Group (2010-)
Student Representative, Study of the American South Specialty Group (2008-2010)

Advising

Arielle Burlett, MA in Food Studies
Laura Kowalski, MA in Landscape Architecture (Committee Member)

Other Professional, Academic, and Service Activities

- 2012** Professional Development Colloquium, SSE, Chatham University.
- 2012** *Teaching Food and Climate Change* Webinar, CAMEL.
- 2012** Faculty Supervisor for Student Affairs' Ski Trip, Chatham University.
- 2012** Committee member for the Natural Resources Job Search, Chatham University.
- 2012** Interview with the Post Gazette regarding online instruction (Schaarsmith. 2012. Growing number of college students choose online courses. Pittsburgh Post Gazette.).
- 2012** Curriculum Development for the Master's Program in the School of Sustainability and the Environment, Chatham University.
- 2012** Guest Lecture, *Sustainable Food Systems*, Chatham University.
- 2011** Guest Lecture, *Methods in Landscape Architecture*, Chatham University.
- 2011** Guest Lecture, *The Sustainable University*, Clark University.
- 2011** Faculty Advisor for Student Affairs' Undergraduate Wilderness Expedition, Chatham University.
- 2011** Independent Study Advisor, Dustin Pollard, Old Dominion University.
- 2011** Qualitative Research Techniques Consultation for Dr. Kevin Borden, Digital Sandbox, Inc.
- 2011** Mentor, Team Expeditions for New and Transfer Students (TENTS), Old Dominion University.

- 2010** Interview, Impacts of climate change and sea-level rise on Coastal Virginia with Robert Klugerman, Campusprogress.org.
- 2010** Affiliate, Old Dominion University's Study of Critical Issues, tasked to investigate and mitigate the impacts of climate change and sea-level rise in the Coastal Virginia region.
- 2010** Reader, AP Human Geography Exam. Cincinnati, Ohio.
- 2007** Committee Member, Honor's College Thesis, Benjamin Springer, USC.
- 2006** Session Chair, *South Carolina Anthropology Student Conference*, Aiken, USC.
- 2006** Graduate Representative, Human Geographer Job Search Committee, Department of Geography, USC.
- 2006** Vice President, Geography Graduate Student Association, USC.
- 2006** Qualitative Research Techniques Consultation for Dr. William Graves, UNC-Charlotte.



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March 19, 2014

Dr. Michael H. Finewood
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Dear Dr. Finewood:

This is to inform you that at the Regular Meeting of Allegheny County Council held on March 18, 2014 Council approved your reappointment to serve as a member of the Air Pollution Control Advisory Committee, for a term to expire on December 31, 2014.

Congratulations on your reappointment and best of luck in this undertaking. We look forward to receiving your recommendations and stand willing to assist you in any way you believe appropriate.

Sincerely,

Jan Rea, Appointment Review Committee Chair
Allegheny County Council

cc: Dr. Karen Hacker, Director, ACHD

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