Jennifer Homendy
Chair
National Transportation Safety Board

Jennifer L. Homendy was sworn in as the 15th Chair of the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) on August 13, 2021, after being nominated by President Joe Biden on May 19, 2021, and unanimously confirmed by the Senate.

Homendy began her tenure at the NTSB when President Donald J. Trump appointed her to the board as the 44th Member of the NTSB in August 2018. She was unanimously reconfirmed by the Senate on August 1, 2019, for a five-year term expiring December 31, 2024.

Chair Homendy is a tireless advocate for safety and brings to the Board expertise in the safety of railroads, pipelines, and hazardous materials (on all modes of transportation). From 2004 to 2018, she served as the Democratic Staff Director of the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, which is under the jurisdiction of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure (T&I Committee) of the United States House of Representatives. She previously held positions with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, the Transportation Trades Department of the AFL-CIO, and the American Iron and Steel Institute.

During her tenure as Subcommittee Staff Director, Chair Homendy guided major pieces of rail, pipeline, and hazardous materials safety legislation through the legislative process, including: the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient, Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU); the Rail Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (P.L. 110-432, Division A); the Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008 (P.L. 110-432, Division B); the Pipeline, Inspection, Protection, Enforcement, and Safety Act of 2006; the Pipeline Safety, Regulatory Certainty, and Job Creation Act of 2011; the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act of 2015; the Protecting Our Infrastructure of Pipelines Enhancing Safety (PIPES) Act of 2016; and the Norman Y. Mineta Research and Special Programs Improvement Act of 2004, which created the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), an agency charged with overseeing the safety of our nation's pipelines and hazardous materials transportation within the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT). Throughout her tenure on the T&I Committee, she was an unwavering defender of transportation safety and worked to implement numerous safety recommendations proposed by the NTSB, including the installation of excess flow valves in distribution pipelines and implementation of positive train control (PTC).

In 2010, she spearheaded the T&I Committee’s extensive oversight investigations of the Enbridge pipeline rupture in Marshall, Michigan, and PHMSA, which led to major safety improvements in pipeline and hazardous materials safety. In 2017 and 2018, she led a multimodal review of DOT's drug and alcohol testing program that identified significant safety gaps in the program.

Chair Homendy is a graduate of the Pennsylvania State University and has been certified by the National Board of Fire Service Professional Qualifications (Pro Board) on Core HazMat Operations and Missions-Specific PPE and Product Control (hazmat operations level training). She completed Private Pilot Ground School and holds a motorcycle (M2) endorsement. She is also an avid runner and cyclist, which fuels her advocacy work for strengthening safety for pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorcyclists.

Robert Molloy, PhD
Director, Office of Highway Safety
National Transportation Safety Board

Rob Molloy, PhD, has been with the NTSB for over 25 years. He currently serves as the Director of NTSB’s Office of Highway Safety. In this role he is responsible for overseeing crash investigations and the development of crash and safety reports. He also served as the Chief of the Report Development Division within the Office of Highway Safety. Prior to joining the Office of Highway Safety, Dr. Molloy designed and carried out safety studies in the NTSB Office of Research and Engineering, including a study of evacuations of commercial aircraft, an analysis of aviation accident survivability, and a study of pipeline control systems. His PhD is in applied experimental psychology which he earned at The Catholic University of America.

Laura Chace
President and CEO
Intelligent Transportation Society of America

Laura Chace was named President and CEO of the Intelligent Transportation Society of America (ITS America) in August 2021. Previously, she served as the association’s Chief Operating Officer. In her role as COO and now as President and CEO, her focus is to promote policies that advance the development and safe deployment of intelligent transportation technologies throughout the United States.

Chace has extensive experience in strategic planning, operations, communications and advocacy, and a proven track record.
of implementing complex initiatives with strong engagement and collaboration among stakeholders. As COO, she led operations across ITS America with a focus on technology's ability to save lives and reduce crashes on U.S. roadways, reduce congestion, minimize transportation's carbon footprint, and provide seamless mobility and transportation choices for all Americans.

She is passionate and speaks often about the need to include more female and diverse voices in the transportation workforce to create better outcomes for all who use the transportation system. Chace is a founding member of the MobilityXX initiative, which is focused on increasing the number of women in transportation by 10 percent in 10 years.

Chace brings 15 years in trade association management to her new role, having previously worked at USTelecom and the American Trucking Association. Early in her career, she served in the Clinton Administration at the U.S. Department of Justice Office and in the White House. She holds a Bachelor of Art's degree from Colgate University.

**Catherine Chase**
**President**
Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety

Cathy Chase is President of Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety where she plays a critical role in advancing occupant protection, impaired driving, teen driving, distracted driving, motor vehicle and commercial motor vehicle safety, and autonomous vehicle safety. Frequently invited to speak before Congress, state legislatures and national conferences, she was selected by CQ Roll Call as one of seventeen “People to Watch in 2019.” Ms. Chase is featured regularly in national press as an auto safety expert. She is a graduate of Rutgers College and received her J.D. from the George Washington University Law School.

**Torie Creppy**
**President**
Safe Kids Worldwide

Torie Creppy is the president of Safe Kids Worldwide, a global nonprofit dedicated to protecting kids from preventable injuries. For more than 22 years, Ms. Creppy has worked with funders, legislators and community leaders around the world to develop and implement strategic initiatives, create meaningful partnerships and change behavior. Under her leadership, the Safe Kids Buckle Up® program has evolved into the most comprehensive child passenger safety program in the world and the Safe Kids Walk this Way® pedestrian safety program has reached more than 22 million children in 10 countries. Additionally, her overarching focus is keeping kids Safe at Home, at Play and On the Way. She led a blue-ribbon panel and convened a consortium to ensure children are considered as autonomous vehicles are being developed and recently launched the Children in Automated Vehicles website. She is a passionate advocate on the Hill and focus tirelessly on underserved and high-risk communities and in the media on child preventable injuries.

Ms. Creppy is a member of the American Public Health Association, National Urban League, NAACP, the National Head Start Association, Junior League of Washington and Lifetime member of Leadership Greater Washington.

Ms. Creppy is on the Advisory Board of Hop Skip Drive, Lifesavers Board Member and Vice-President Board Member of St. Mary’s of the Assumption Home and School Association.

**Jake Nelson**
**Director, Traffic Safety Advocacy and Research**
AAA National

Jake Nelson is the Director of Traffic Safety Advocacy and Research for the not-for-profit and nonpartisan, AAA National Office, Jake is an influential communicator who provides thought leadership on issues related to traffic injury prevention. From interpreting fatal crash statistics to assessing solutions to helping keep drivers safe, Jake excels at translating complex research into evidence-based policies, research-validated interventions, and easy-to-understand language for the media, policymakers and the general public. Jake has been featured in national media outlets from USA Today and the New York Times to appearances on ABC’s World News Tonight, PBS NewsHour, and The Dr. Oz Show.

As an epidemiologist, Jake considers traffic injuries and deaths an overlooked public health threat to Americans. He applies rigorous research and the sciences of public health to AAA's public policy development, governmental advocacy and consumer education activities. Jake has developed nationwide advocacy strategies, brokered national partnerships and negotiated strategic alliances to influence consumers, policymakers and the media in an effort to protect those who travel U.S. roads each day.

As the Association’s chief safety expert, Jake regularly works with transportation stakeholder groups, public health practitioners and elected officials at all levels of government. He frequently represents the AAA federation before state policy audiences, Congress and U.S. federal agencies, to persuasively state the case for AAA's public policy recommendations and evidence-based interventions.

Though he began his career as a researcher in the medical field, Jake shifted his focus to applying research to policy development, and honed his skills in the real-world application of data and rigorous academic research to protect and improve the public's health, and to help people reach their full potential.
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Scott P. Schloegel
Senior Vice President, Government Relations
Motorcycle Industry Council
Motorcycle Safety Foundation
Specialty Vehicle Institute of America
Recreational Off-Highway Vehicle Association

Mr. Scott P. Schloegel has more than 30 years of experience in senior leadership and government relations. He currently serves as the Senior Vice President of Government Relations for the Motorcycle Industry Council (MIC), the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF), the Specialty Vehicle Institute of America (SVIA), and the Recreational Off-Highway Vehicle Association (ROHVA). MIC, SVIA and ROHVA are member associations representing motorcycle, all-terrain vehicle (ATV) and recreational off-highway vehicle (ROV, sometimes called side-by-sides) manufacturers, distributors, retailers, and allied trades in the powersports industry.

Mr. Schloegel previously served for six years as an appointee in the Obama Administration and 15 months in the Trump Administration, concluding his government service as the acting President and Chairman of the Board at the Export-Import Bank of the United States.

His prior government service includes serving as staff for 3 years in the Michigan House of Representatives and 18 years in the U.S. House of Representatives, 14 of which were as Chief of Staff. Mr. Schloegel also worked on the House Energy & Commerce Committee doing investigations ranging from the Deepwater Horizon disaster in the Gulf of Mexico to cyber security at our nation’s nuclear weapons labs.

A native of Michigan’s Upper Peninsula, Mr. Schloegel is a lifelong rider of motorcycles and other powersports. He currently lives in the Washington, DC area with his wife. They have two college age daughters.

Scott Schmidt
Vice President
Alliance for Automotive Innovation

Scott A. Schmidt is the Vice President responsible for vehicle safety and regulatory affairs at the Alliance for Automotive Innovation (Auto Innovators) where he oversees policy development relating to vehicle safety performance, driver distraction, advanced technologies for traffic safety, electric vehicle/battery safety, vehicle acoustical sound, as well as international harmonization of regulatory requirements. Scott joined Auto Innovators in 2020 transitioning from 20 years at the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers. He received his B.S. in Mechanical Engineering in 1987 from the University of Maryland where he started his involvement in automotive engineering through participation in SAE student vehicle design competitions and student research into ATV rollover and tire testing. Since then, he has held automotive engineering positions encompassing regulatory (NHTSA), vehicle testing (IIHS), alternative fuels (EA Engineering), military vehicles (VSE), regulatory compliance (Land Rover) and his current passion automotive safety.

William Wallace
Manager, Safety Policy
Consumer Reports

William Wallace is the Manager of Safety Policy for Consumer Reports, the independent, nonprofit member organization. Based in Washington, D.C., he leads CR’s public policy and marketplace advocacy work related to road safety, vehicle automation, and household product safety. Prior to joining CR in 2014, he spent five years working for the U.S. House, primarily as legislative staff for the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

David Zuby
Executive Vice President and Chief Research Officer
Insurance Institute for Highway Safety

David Zuby is executive vice president and chief research officer for the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety. Working out of the Vehicle Research Center (VRC), he oversees and coordinates research by the VRC, the Institute research department in Arlington and the Highway Loss Data Institute.

Mr. Zuby is the author of numerous research papers published by the Institute on topics such as the biomechanics of injury, pedestrian protection, crashworthiness and crash investigation.

Prior to joining the Institute as a research engineer in 1993, Mr. Zuby worked on research projects for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration at Transportation Research Center in Ohio. He holds a bachelor’s degree from Northwestern University in Illinois.