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PSC Staff News: Ken Witt Retires

Congratulations to Ken Witt! The Contracts Administrator retires this month after almost 14 years with the University of Colorado.

Ken started work at the Procurement Service Center on May 12, 2004. His background prior to joining CU included partner at Holm Roberts and Owen, working for the Southern Pacific Railroad, and freelancing as an attorney in private practice. Ken has extensive experience in securities law, mergers/acquisitions, and structured financings, as well as transportation corridor/haulage agreements and equipment purchases and rentals.

His campus customers are often intrigued when they learn that Ken has also been a successful stage actor (he attended Keith Johnstone's international Improv school in Canada) and completed Ph.D. requirements (all but dissertation) in political science at Stanford University.

Ken is known for his encyclopedic knowledge of 20th century U.S. political and legal history. He arrives at this not only from his academic career but also from his work as policy analyst for the U.S. Health, Education and Welfare Department and U.S. Department of the Interior.

Ken has enjoyed his time at the PSC, especially his collaborations with "people who were very good at what they did." He particularly notes working with former PSC purchasing agent Stuart Littlefield, the campus librarians, and employees of LASP and JILA.

What will he do in retirement? Ken says no specific plans yet, though he may return to his hometown of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to be near family.

Please take a moment to thank Ken for his service and wish him well. His last day at the PSC is December 22.

No Agenda Forums Coming in January

The PSC will be hosting No Agenda Forums on all CU campuses in January 2018.

What is a No Agenda Forum?

Each campus Forum provides you – our campus customers – with opportunities to meet our staff and discuss your specific procurement-related issues in a non-structured format.

Several topic-themed tables will provide attendees access to the PSC staff they want to engage. Light refreshments will be served.

Table topics in January will include:

- Commercial Card
- Concur
- Contracts
- CU Marketplace
- Payable Services
- Strategic Procurement
- Procurement Systems
- Travel
- Purchasing Services
- Finance & Procurement Training

Registration is open now!

The campus schedule is as follows:

Colorado Springs Campus:

Wednesday, January 24 (9:00-11:00 a.m.)
University Center, Room 303

Anschutz Medical Campus:

Thursday, January 25 (9:00-11:00 a.m.)
Research Center 2, Krugman Conference Hall

Boulder Campus:

Tuesday, January 30 (1:00-3:00 p.m.)
UMC Room 235

Denver Campus:

Thursday, February 1 (9:00-11:00 a.m.)
Lawrence Street Center, 2nd floor Terrace Room

Register Now!

Questions?

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