

Commissioners & Alternates

Susquehanna River Basin Commission



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NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

Kenneth P. Lynch is a native of Central New York where he was raised and graduated from Jordan-Elbridge High School. He graduated from Yale University in 1984 with a B.A. degree in Economics and Political Science. He obtained his law degree from Syracuse University College of Law in 1988 and was admitted to the New York Bar in 1989.

Prior to joining the NYSDEC, Ken was in practice in Syracuse by himself with a general practice, emphasizing real property law, land development and land use/zoning. Ken has represented developers, large and small business, municipalities and private individuals.

Ken joined the DEC in November, 1995 as Region 7's Regional Attorney. As Regional Attorney he was in charge of enforcement of the State's environmental laws and regulations, permitting regulated activities, advising the Department's staff and informing the public on environmental matters. In December, 1996 Ken assumed the role as Acting Regional Director of Region 7. He was appointed as Regional Director in May, 1997. As Director Ken is in charge of implementing and overseeing the Department's policies in the nine county Region.

Specifically, Ken's work has included implementation of the 1996 Clean Water/Clean Air Environmental Bond Act and negotiation, implementation of the 1998 Amended Consent Judgment to clean up Onondaga Lake, and remediation of the Oil City area in Syracuse.

Ken resides in Elbridge, New York with his wife, twin eleven-year old sons and four-year old daughter.