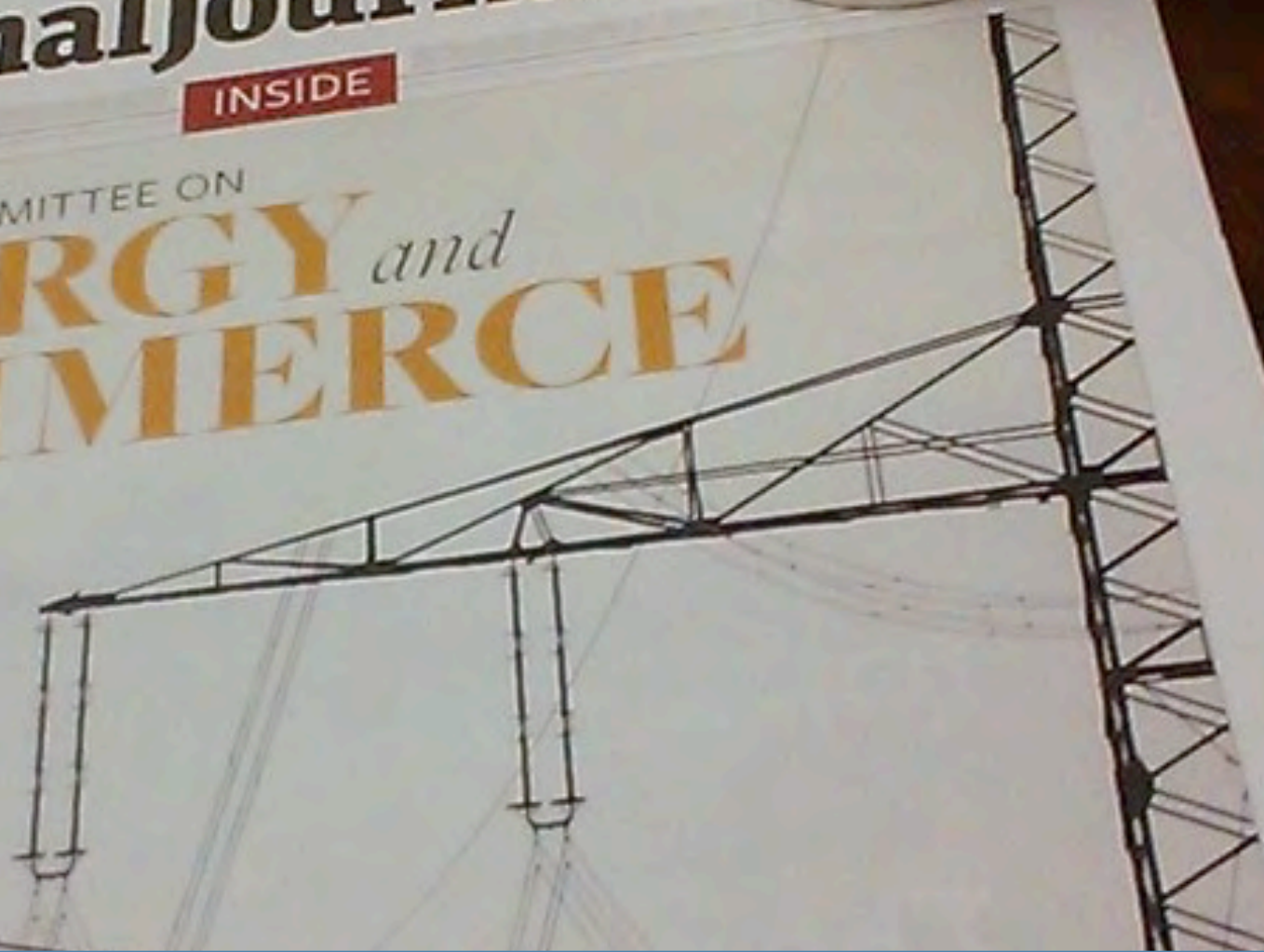


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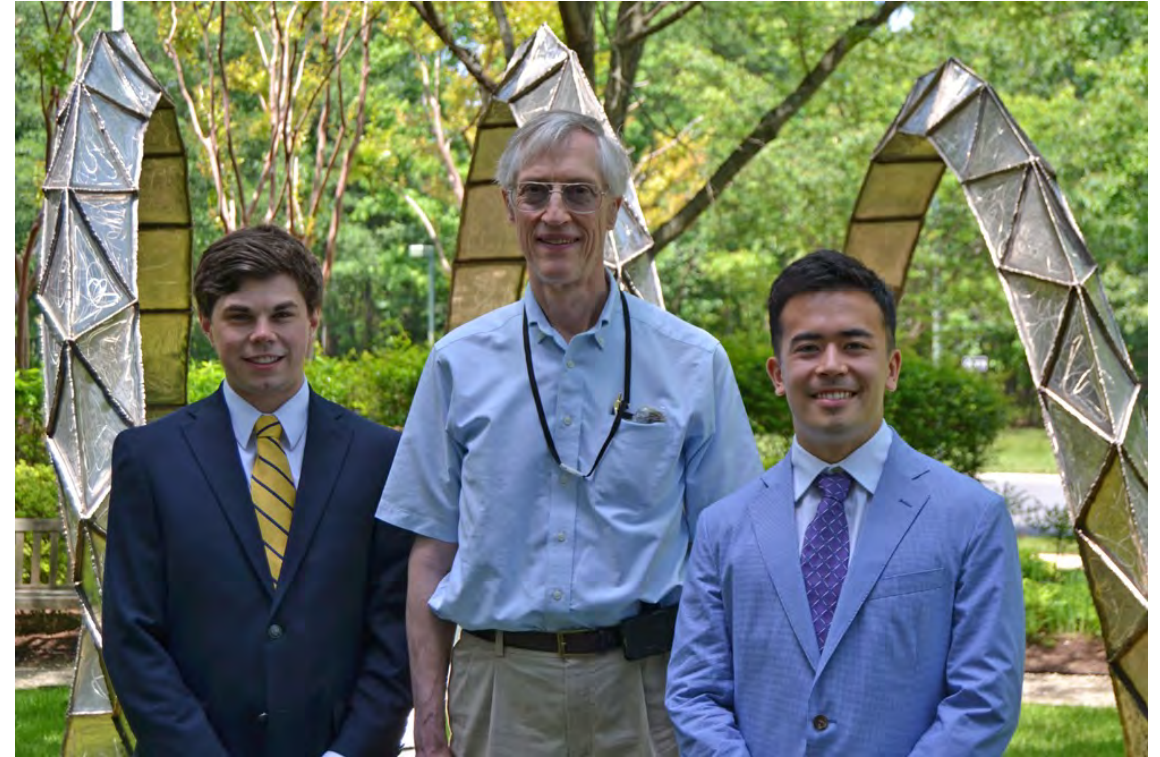
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Who I Am



The Mather Policy Internship-

- “I’ve heard some folks try to dodge the evidence by saying they’re not scientists; that we don’t have enough information to act. Well, I’m not a scientist, either. But you know what, I know a lot of really good scientists at NASA, and at NOAA, and at our major universities.”- Barack Obama
- “Twenty-first century businesses will rely on American science and technology, research and development. I want the country that eliminated polio and mapped the human genome to lead a new era of medicine -- one that delivers the right treatment at the right time.”- Barack Obama



Executive Branch



Congress

- Appropriations
- Natural Resources
- Agriculture
- Science, Space, and Technology
- Foreign Affairs
- Energy and Commerce



My Role

Daily Projects

- Creating member profiles
- Compiling lists and summaries of legislation
- Selecting important daily technology news clips and hearings outside of the committee

Joseph Patrick Kennedy III (D-MA-04)



Industry and Legislative Interests

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Tony Cardenas (D-CA-28)



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Hearings and Research



- Vehicle to Vehicle Communication
- FCC Oversight
- Cybersecurity Enforcement and Regulation Oversight
- Nuclear Waste Oversight

Briefings and Summaries

- Positive Train Control
- SLAPP Litigation
- The Internet of Things
- Extra-territorial Data Access



Perks of the Job



What's Happening Now

What Can Be Done

Progress:

- 21st Century Cures
- DotCom
- TSCA

Current Challenges

- Climate Change
- Basic Research
- Oversight



- Professional Societies
- Lobbying Groups
- More scientists
(especially physicists!)
at all levels of
government

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