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Biographical Statement

As Assistant Vice President and Director of the University of California's Office of State Governmental Relations, Steve Arditti is the senior lobbyist representing the University before the legislative and executive branches of California government. Mr. Arditti is primarily responsible for identifying policy issues relevant to UC, devising the legislative strategies necessary to achieve the University's objectives, and analyzing the intent and potential effect of proposed legislation on the University. In addition, he must assess the potential political and public policy ramifications of the positions UC proposes to take on legislation.

When not working directly with the Legislature, Mr. Arditti manages a team of Legislative Directors. He reports to University officers, faculty, staff, and alumni on issues that are the subject of legislative or executive branch action.

Prior to accepting his current position as Assistant Vice President and Director in 1998, Mr. Arditti worked for four years as the Director of State Governmental Relations. He preceded this position with service to the University of California as an Assistant Legislative Representative, Legislative Analyst and Research Coordinator. His extensive tenure with State Governmental Relations, now spanning four decades, has seen the passage of a number of bills crucial to the mission of the University of California. His presence and longevity have given continuity to the message and lobbying efforts of the University of California and Board of Regents.

Preceding his arrival in Sacramento, Mr. Arditti served as the Dean of Students, University of California, Los Angeles, his alma mater.

Mr. Arditti received his Juris Doctor degree, from the University of California, Los Angeles, 1967 following the completion of his Bachelor of Arts degree, Political Science, in 1964 also at UCLA. On the occasion of his 25 years stewarding the capitol advocacy of the University, Mr. Arditti was the first recipient of the prestigious National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges/Council for Advancement and Support of Education's Marvin D. "Swede" Johnson Award for excellence and achievement in State Governmental Relations.

He is a member of the Order of the Golden Bruin, Phi Alpha Delta and proud alum of the University of California.