



# New England Fishery Management Council

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## New England Council Unanimously Reelects Dr. John Quinn as Chair and Terry Stockwell as Vice Chair for Another Term

The New England Fishery Management Council in late September expressed full confidence in its leadership team when it unanimously affirmed the reelection of Dr. John Quinn of Massachusetts and Terry Stockwell of Maine to serve as Council chair and vice chair, respectively, for another term.

This marks Dr. Quinn's second consecutive year as chairman. Prior to that, he served three years as Council vice chair under Stockwell. The two switched leadership positions during 2016 but continued to work together as a team to direct the Council's management and policy initiatives.

"I am honored to be reelected by my colleagues as chairman," said Dr. Quinn. "We have a lot of very complex and important issues facing us in the year ahead, and I am looking forward to collaborating with my fellow Council members and various stakeholders to attempt to solve some of the problems confronting the industry."

Dr. Quinn is Director of Public Interest Law Programs at the University of Massachusetts (UMass) School of Law. He also is a former member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives and represented many fishing interests while practicing law in private practice for over two decades in New Bedford before joining UMass.

Stockwell is beginning his first term on the Council as a secretarial appointee. He previously served as the state of Maine's designated fisheries official to the Council but retired from state service in June following a 21-year career at the Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR). DMR Commissioner Patrick Keliher now sits at the Council table in that capacity. Stockwell was appointed in August to fill the seat previously held by Mary Beth Tooley of Maine, who had served three consecutive terms on the Council, the maximum allowed under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act.



*During the New England Council's June 2017 meeting in Portland, ME, Council Chairman Dr. John Quinn, right, paid tribute to Vice Chairman Terry Stockwell (left) for his years of state service on the Council. Stockwell retired in June and now is serving as a secretarial appointee. – NEFMC photo*



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In another show of confidence in leadership, the Council reelected the same slate of members to serve on its Executive Committee for the 2017-2018 Council year:

- **Doug Grout**, chief of the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department's Marine Division, was elected to serve his fifth consecutive term on the Executive Committee;
- **Peter Kendall** of New Hampshire also was elected to serve a fifth consecutive term; and
- **Terry Alexander** of Maine was elected to serve his second consecutive term.

Dr. Quinn and Stockwell also serve on the Executive Committee in their roles as Council chair and vice chair.

Council member biographical sketches are available at:

[http://s3.amazonaws.com/nefmc.org/Council-member-bios\\_Aug.-11-2017\\_final2.pdf](http://s3.amazonaws.com/nefmc.org/Council-member-bios_Aug.-11-2017_final2.pdf).

Contact information can be found at: <https://www.nefmc.org/about/council-members>.



*New England Fishery Management Council 2017-2018 members. Front row from left to right: Mark Godfroy (NH), Rick Bellavance(RI), Mark Gibson (RI), Mark Alexander (CT), Terry Alexander (ME), Council Chairman Dr. John Quinn (MA), Dr. Michael Sissenwine (MA), Elizabeth "Libby" Etrie (MA), Peter Kendall (NH), and Doug Grout (NH). All voting members.*

*Back row: Eric Reid (RI), Gene Martin (NOAA General Counsel, non-voting), John Bullard (GARFO Regional Administrator), Patrick Keliher (ME), Peter Hughes (Mid-Atlantic Council liaison, non-voting), John Pappalardo (MA), Council Vice Chairman Terry Stockwell (ME), Dr. Matt McKenzie (CT), Vincent Balzano (ME), Dr. Jon Hare (NEFSC Director, non-voting), Dr. Jim Weinberg (NEFSC, non-voting), and Capt. Kevin King (U.S. Coast Guard representative, non-voting). Missing: Dr. David Pierce (MA). – NEFMC photo*