



**JOEL RECHT, Ph.D.**

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**Dr. Joel Recht (center) shown with several members of the Chemistry Division of the Consumer Product Safety Commission's Product Testing Laboratory.**

Dr. Joel Recht received a B.A. in Chemistry from Rutgers University and a Ph.D. in

Chemical Engineering from Cornell University. Dr. Recht worked as a Senior Research Engineer for a major paper and packaging company before entering into federal civil service. Dr. Recht worked at the Government Printing Office as Chief of Testing and Technical Services until he joined the staff of the Consumer Product Safety Commission in 2004 as Director of the Chemistry Division. Dr. Recht has led work on testing of children's products for hazardous substances such as lead and phthalates. Now, Dr. Recht serves as the Drywall Project Manager for the CPSC. Joel resides in Maryland with his wife and children.