NhRP President Steven M. Wise

**Short Bio:** Steven M. Wise is president of the Nonhuman Rights Project, which he founded in 1996 after working for over two decades as an animal protection attorney. Steve holds a J.D. from Boston University Law School, teaches and guest-lectures at law schools across the US and around the world, and is the author of four books, including *Rattling the Cage: Toward Legal Rights for Animals* and *Though the Heavens May Fall: The Landmark Trial That Led to the End of Human Slavery.*

**Long Bio:** Steven M. Wise began his mission to gain rights for nonhuman animals in 1985. He holds a J.D. from Boston University Law School and a B.S. in chemistry from the College of William and Mary. He has practiced animal protection law for four decades and is admitted to the Massachusetts Bar. Professor Wise taught the first class in “Animal Rights Law” at the Harvard Law School and has taught “Animal Rights Jurisprudence” at the Stanford Law School, as well as the University of Miami, St. Thomas, and John Marshall Law Schools, and is currently teaching “Animal Rights Jurisprudence” at the Lewis and Clark Law School and Vermont Law School. He is the author of four books: *Rattling the Cage – Toward Legal Rights for Animals; Drawing the Line – Science and the Case for Animal Rights; Though the Heavens May Fall – The Landmark Trial That Led to the End of Human Slavery;* and *An American Trilogy – Death, Slavery, and Dominion Along the Banks of the Cape Fear River.* His TED TALK from the TED2015 Conference in Vancouver, Canada was released in May of 2015 and has over one million views.