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Dr. Allen Hershkowitz is a Senior Scientist at the Natural Resources Defense Council and a leader in the movement to make environmental responsibility understandable and achievable for every individual and institution. Dr. Hershkowitz joined NRDC's senior staff in 1988, and has been the force behind some of the organization's most effective and visible initiatives. He has championed systemic change on critical issues ranging from sustainable development and recycling to forestry, paper industry impacts, mountaintop coal mining, waste incineration, and medical wastes. His work in the field of industrial ecology includes advising corporations such as DuPont, Hugo Neu and Sims Metal Management in their sustainability efforts. Dr. Hershkowitz was a lead negotiator in NRDC's historic 2006 forestry protection settlement with Bowater Paper Company, which led to breakthrough protections of the Cumberland Plateau region. A native of New York, Dr. Hershkowitz received his Ph.D. in political economics, specializing in energy resources economics, from the City University of New York Graduate School in 1986. He earned a M. Phil. In political economics in 1982, a B.A. (cum laude) from the City College of New York in 1978 and a Certificat D'assiduite from the University of Grenoble in 1975. He resides in New York State and is the father of three children.