

A Breakfast with Jonathan Burks, Chief of Staff to Speaker of the House Paul Ryan



In 2015, he served as the Policy Advisor for budget and appropriations to Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell. From 2010-2014 he served as Policy Director for the House Budget Committee where he served as the principal advisor to then-Budget Committee Chairman Ryan on defense and international affairs issues. From June through November 2012, Burks took a leave of absence from the Budget Committee to serve as the deputy policy director of the Romney for President campaign where he was responsible for the day-to-day management of the policy team. Prior to joining the Budget Committee, in 2007, he worked at the Securities and Exchange Commission as the Director of the Office of Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs. From 2005-2007, Burks served as the senior advisor (chief of staff) to the Under Secretary of the Treasury for International Affairs.

Meeting Participants Included:

Otsuka Pharmaceutical Companies Government Affairs and Advocacy Director Molly Ryan
Hope Restored, Inc. President Jeffrey Thames, Sr.

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Asian Pacific American Institute of Congressional Studies President & CEO Floyd Mori
CSX Director of Federal Affairs Garrick Francis
CSX Vice President of Federal Legislation Anne Reinke
Former Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs Charles James, Sr.
Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities Executive Director of Legislative Affairs Alicia Diaz
National Black Police Association Vice-Chairperson Lt. Sonia Y.W. Pruitt
National Urban League Sr. VP for Policy and ED of the Washington Bureau Don Cravins
Walgreens Head of Federal Advocacy, Director Government Relations Alethia Jackson
Gloucester Institute President & Founder Kay Cole James
Jack Kemp Foundation President Jimmy Kemp
Center for Urban Renewal and Education National Director Rev. Derek McCoy
Democracy Fund Program Director Betsy Hawkings
African American Mayors Association Executive Director Stephanie Mash
African American Mayors Association Deputy Executive Director Everton Morris
National Hispanic Caucus of State Legislators Executive Director Kenneth Romero
League of United Latin American Citizens National Executive Director Brent Wilkes
NewsCorp Executive VP and Global Head of Government Affairs Toni Bush
EEI Director of External Affairs Kwame Canty
LinkedIn Head of U.S. Public Policy Nicole Isaac
ExxonMobil Senior Director, Federal Relations Keith McCoy
Citibank Managing Director of Federal Government Affairs Paul Thornell
MMTC President & CEO Kim Keenan
AARP Senior VP of Government Affairs Joyce Rogers
FedEx Senior Federal Affairs Representative Lance Magnum
Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies Chairwoman Barbara Johnson
National Council of Negro Women Executive Director Janice Mathis
U.S. Black Chamber President & CEO Ron Busby
American Nurses Association Michelle Mitchell
Thurgood Marshall College Fund Director of Government Affairs Sean Burns