



Brownstein Adds Lori Harju, Former Chief of Staff and Ways and Means Committee Senior Advisor

Jan 06, 2017

Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck is pleased to announce that Lori Harju has joined its Washington, D.C., office as a policy director in the Government Relations Department. With nearly three decades of experience working in Washington, D.C., she most recently served as chief of staff to U.S. Rep. Kevin Brady (R-TX) and as senior advisor to the Ways and Means Committee. Lori brings to Brownstein's clients an in-depth knowledge of the legislative and executive branches and extensive experience in the areas of tax, international trade and energy.

"With the new administration's focus on tax reform and trade, Lori's veteran experience with the Ways and Means Committee provides substantive knowledge on these issues to our clients," said **Marc Lampkin**, managing partner of Brownstein's Washington, D.C., office and co-chair of the firm's Government Relations Department. "Her relationships on both sides of the Ways and Means aisle lines up with our bipartisan approach. She's an exceptional addition as we help our clients navigate Trump's transition."

Prior to joining Brownstein, Lori worked on Capitol Hill for more than 25 years, the last five dedicated to serving Chairman Brady and the people of Texas' 8th Congressional District. She served as senior advisor to Chairman Brady on the Ways and Means Committee and previously served as the longtime chief of staff of the chairman's personal congressional office. Earlier in her career, Lori worked for three other members of the Ways and Means Committee—Chairman Dave Camp (R-MI), Congressman Phil Crane (R-IL), and Congressman Guy Vander Jagt (R-MI). Lori also previously served as a political appointee for President George W. Bush at the U.S. Department of Commerce.

While working as a political appointee for President George W. Bush, Lori was the head of all congressional and intergovernmental affairs for the International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce. There, she provided strategic counsel to senior officials within the Bush administration and was the primary liaison to all House and Senate members and staff on the passage of trade agreements, enforcement of international trade laws (AD and CVD laws and cases), promoting American exports, intellectual property rights protection, market access and compliance.

Lori earned her bachelor's degree from Michigan State University.

Meet The Team

Lori Harju

Policy Director

T 202.747.0519

lharju@bhfs.com

Related Practices

- Government Relations