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Abstract:

Biography: Mr. Richard Webster (Rick) is the Director of Government Affairs for the Travel Industry Association of America (TIA). He joined TIA in 1993 and directed a three-year program known as the Campaign to Keep Travel Competitive, an industry campaign to battle against increasing taxes on travel. He has 20 years of experience lobbying local, state and federal governments, and currently serves as TIA's chief lobbyist on Capitol Hill. At the federal level, he has worked mainly on transportation, tax and international travel facilitation issues. Prior to joining TIA he spent 5 years working for a coalition of advertising trade associations on state tax policy. He has a BA in Political Science from Hope College in Holland, Michigan. He and his family reside in Loudoun County, Virginia.