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Janet F. Kavinsky is a nationally recognized expert in transportation policy, funding, and finance. As executive director in the Chamber's Congressional and Public Affairs Division, Kavinsky leads all transportation strategy, policy, and lobbying efforts. She has expertise in developing consensus policy positions among diverse stakeholders and lobbying Congress and executive branch agencies on a wide range of legislative and regulatory matters relating to surface, air, and water transportation.

Kavinsky is vice president of the Chamber-led Americans for Transportation Mobility (ATM) Coalition, a nationwide effort by business, labor, transportation organizations, and concerned citizens to advocate for improved and increased federal investment in the nation's aging and overburdened transportation system.

In 2012, Kavinsky was the key architect behind the effort of the Chamber and the ATM Coalition to ensure passage of surface transportation legislation, which included the "Make Transportation Job #1" nationwide campaign with TV, radio, and print ads and grassroots outreach and events with local partners.

In addition, Kavinsky developed and leads the Chamber's *Let's Rebuild America* (LRA) initiative to raise the profile of infrastructure issues, broaden stakeholder engagement, and create new opportunities for businesses to influence public policy. As part of LRA, Kavinsky guided a multidisciplinary team to develop and regularly update the groundbreaking *Transportation Performance Index*. The *Index* assesses the degree to which surface, air, and water transportation systems are meeting business and economic demands and correlates improvement and decline with economic indicators.

Kavinsky was honored by the *Journal of Commerce* as one of the 10 "most influential people in transportation" in 2010. She is the primary Chamber spokesperson on transportation and infrastructure issues with extensive national, regional, and local media exposure on TV and in print and social media. She is a frequent speaker and panelist at conferences and events across the country.

Before coming to the Chamber, Kavinsky served as project director for business development and transportation finance at the American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials, as a consultant at the California Department of Transportation, and as special assistant to the secretary at the U.S. Department of Transportation. She serves on the boards of the National Association of Urban Debate Leagues and the Eno Center for Transportation.

Kavinsky received her bachelor's degree in political economy from the University of Wyoming, where she was a Harry S. Truman Scholar. She earned a master's degree in business administration from the Stanford University Graduate School of Business.



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