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Eric is a veteran of Capitol Hill with nearly 16 years as a congressional staff member, most recently serving as chief of staff to Congressman Daniel Lipinski, the then-Chairman of the House Railroad Subcommittee. Eric has managed transportation and infrastructure issues throughout his public service career.

Through this and other work, Eric has developed a wealth of knowledge on transportation policy and established strong personal relationships with many congressional staff involved in transportation issues, as well as with those in the Administration. He also has significant experience with environmental issues, including Superfund clean-ups, permitting and water infrastructure. He has also gained experience with local education and health care delivery issues during his time as a congressional staffer.

Eric joined HB Strategies in 2019 and focuses his client service on transportation and infrastructure issues, having handled this portfolio throughout his public service career. Eric currently leads the HB Strategies Infrastructure Group. He currently services numerous transportation clients, including the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority and Herzog Contracting Corporation, among others. In 2021 and 2024 The Hill newspaper ranked him among Washington's "Top Lobbyists" in its annual list. Eric is a graduate of Georgia Tech and obtained his M.A. from George Washington University. Eric is a Senior Stennis Fellow, having completed the congressional Stennis Fellowship and now serves as a mentor for up-and-coming congressional staff.



