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ADMISSIONS

- District of Columbia
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EDUCATION

- Vanderbilt University Law School, J.D., 2005
- Georgetown University, B.A., 2001

AFFILIATIONS

- National Association of College and University Attorneys, Member
- Journal of College and University Law, Editorial Board, 2007-2013

LANGUAGES

- French

Chris came to Washington to attend college and has been at the intersection of politics and education ever since.

A Washington political advocate and strategic advisor for the education sector, Chris has a particular interest in supporting organizations that are disrupting the status quo. At its core, Chris's work is about getting to a meaningful and lasting result that supports the mission of his clients, which is simply to provide the best and most affordable education for all.

Chris understands education policy, which spans all corners of education, from pre-K through primary, secondary, and postsecondary, from institutions and trade associations to technology companies and investors. Drawing on his intuitive understanding of political dynamics, Chris proactively spots opportunities so that his clients can work collaboratively with policymakers and stakeholders. Conversely, when an agency takes an adverse action, he helps to shape strategies that ultimately lead to a favorable conclusion.

Most recently, Chris helped several clients secure the inclusion of favorable language in the long-awaited reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). His clients also obtained some of the few education policy riders in the latest series of appropriations bills. Chris, his colleagues, and his clients are currently gearing up for the reauthorization of the Higher Education Act (HEA).

A consummate lifelong learner, Chris has a diverse network of experts to whom he can turn for more information or the occasional policy debate. If he does not know the answer, he knows who does. Chris was named to National Law Journal's 40 Under 40 list in 2014 (by ALM Media).