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## HASKELL BERMAN SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT – STATE AFFAIRS



Mr. Berman has spent more than 32 years in New Jersey state government, politics and public affairs. Presently, he serves as Senior Vice President – State Affairs for the <u>HealthCare Institute of</u> <u>New Jersey</u> (HINJ), a trade association representing New Jersey's research-based biopharmaceutical and medical technology industries.

Mr. Berman began his career as Chief of Staff to Assemblyman Bob Franks and served in a variety of senior staff positions in the New Jersey General Assembly Republican Office, including

Director of Policy & Planning, Director of Intergovernmental Relations, Director of the Office of the Speaker and Deputy Executive Director. He also managed the Assembly Policy & Rules Committee and Assembly Education Committee.

In 1990, Mr. Berman managed the successful campaign for re-election of Congressman Dean Gallo, and in 1991, he served on the staff of the New Jersey Republican State Committee, producing the first grassroots party convention in modern New Jersey political history.

From 1997 to 2000, Mr. Berman served as Vice President of Capital Public Affairs, one of New Jersey's leading government relations firms.

Mr. Berman is a co-founder of <u>Innovation New Jersey</u>, a coalition of industry, higher education and government that is focused on building New Jersey's innovation ecosystem. He served on the New Jersey State Council on Innovation and chaired the <u>New Jersey Business & Industry Association</u>'s (NJBIA) Innovation & Technology Policy Committee.

Mr. Berman currently serves as a trustee of the <u>New Jersey Society for Environmental</u>, <u>Economic Development</u> (NJSEED) as well as the <u>New Jersey Policy Research</u> <u>Organization</u> (NJPRO).

Mr. Berman graduated summa cum laude from Monmouth University with a B.A. in Communications and Political Science and served for 12 years as a member of the university's Board of Trustees Government Affairs Committee.

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