

Greetings, All:

On behalf of the Government Affairs team, **THANK YOU** for registering for our Legislative and Working Groups Summit. We're eager to see everyone and trust that it will be a worthwhile investment of your time. We hope you can give this a quick read, because this event will be different than past Legislative Summits.

Working backwards from Wednesday, the biggest change, of course, is that the entire U.S. Capitol complex is going to be unavailable to us, as it is for everyone but legislators, due to the ongoing pandemic. But if we can't go to Congress, we can bring some terrific members of Congress to you, especially in our program on Wednesday at the Mandarin. As always, due to the uncertain congressional schedule, we will continue to tweak the Legislative program leading up to the event. However, we already have some outstanding legislators lined up, including Sen. Joni Ernst of Iowa, Reps. Josh Gottheimer of New Jersey, Byron Donalds and Scott Franklin of Florida, and French Hill of Arkansas. These are terrific friends who help drive the agenda on issues that matter to the commercial insurance brokerage industry.

Continuing in reverse order, rather than a congressional reception on the Hill on Tuesday night, we are holding an exclusive event for Council executives at the National Museum of African American History and Culture. Since opening in 2016, it has been the Smithsonian museum with the highest demand, and it promises to be a memorable evening. Our brief program that night will include the continuation of a friendly "debate" that began last October at the Broadmoor during ILF – a conversation between longtime Democratic operative (and Clinton White House official) Paul Begala, and top Republican ad-master/strategist/author Brad Todd, moderated by yours truly.

The Council continues to have much at stake in legislation that may (or may not!) be enacted this year, including provisions impacting employer-sponsored insurance, taxation, and other issues that could arise as part of potentially bifurcated Build Back Better legislation. See the attached **one-pager** on our legislative priorities.

We look forward to seeing you all in person in less than two weeks.



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