

## **Jeffrey L. Junkas**

Jeffrey L. Junkas is regional manager, State Government Relations for the Property Casualty Insurers Association of America (PCI). At PCI, Jeff advocates for members' public policy goals with legislators, regulators and industry stakeholders, as well as manages retained counsels and state political action committees (PACs) activities in multiple states.

Previously Jeff served as founder and president of JLJ PR Inc. communications consultancy. For more than six years, Jeff served as the director of Public Affairs for the American Insurance Association's (AIA) eleven-state Midwest Region, representing members' interests before media, government and industry peers. Prior to joining AIA in January 2004, Jeff worked at TransUnion for three years managing the company's corporate relations activities. He has also worked at LaSalle Bank (now Bank of America), and MWW Group, a public affairs firm.

Actively politically, Jeff is a past commissioner of the Tinley Park – Park District Board (October 2011 until April 2013) and in 2010 ran for State Representative, winning a contested primary with nearly 60 percent of the vote and garnering more than 48 percent of the vote in the general election against a 13-year incumbent while being outspent 2 to 1. Jeff directly managed all phases of the campaigns.

Jeff earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science and speech communications, and a MBA from the University of Illinois, at Urbana-Champaign and Chicago, respectively. He lives in Downers Grove (IL) with his wife, Michelle, and their two young children.

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