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David R. Thomas has served as the Director of the Federal Trade Commission's Office of Congressional Relations since February 2000. In this position, Mr. Thomas serves as the FTC's chief liaison to Congress and is responsible for coordinating the FTC's interactions with Capitol Hill. He promotes FTC policy initiatives in Congress; negotiates with Congressional staff on legislation concerning the FTC, consumer issues, and general antitrust matters; and oversees the FTC's budget in the annual appropriations process. He also coordinates the FTC's involvement in Congressional hearings, advising those testifying on the Commission's behalf, and briefing Members of Congress and key Congressional staff on Commission activities.

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