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Rick Lane is the Director of eCommerce and Internet Technology for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Lane is responsible for coordinating the development and implementation of the Chamber's eCommerce and technology legislative and policy initiatives. The U.S. Chamber of Commerce is the world's largest business federation representing more than three million businesses and organizations of every size, sector and region.

Mr. Lane has been involved in every stage of the legislative process—including the development of substantive political and legislative strategy. He has created and led coalitions, drafted legislation and floor speeches for Members of Congress, and prepared and presented congressional testimony. In addition, Mr. Lane has become a frequent guest lecturer and business advisor on the impact public policy will have on technology innovation and use.

Mr. Lane came to the U.S. Chamber from his position as the Director of Legislative Affairs for the international law firm of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP. Working at the firm from 1994 to 1999, Mr. Lane advised and represented clients before Congress on a variety of legislative matters, with a focus on legislation affecting technology, communications and tax.

Prior to joining WG&M, Mr. Lane was the co-founder and Executive Director of the Modern Education Technology Center Inc., an educational technology private-public partnership. In this capacity, Mr. Lane helped develop public policy initiatives and strategies that would facilitate the incorporation of technology into the classroom. In addition, he testified on technology related issues before the United States Congress, Maryland General Assembly and local government entities.

From 1988 to 1993, Mr. Lane worked for U.S. Representative Joseph D. Early as an Associate Staff member to the House Appropriations Committee. While working for Representative Early, his primary responsibilities involved technology, communications, tax, education, labor and related issues.

Mr. Lane has been involved in several private sector enterprises, including being the founder and Chairman of the Board of Directors for CyberSports Inc., the leading seller of college and university sports recruiting software in the country.

Mr. Lane holds an undergraduate degree from the College of the Holy Cross, located in Worcester, Massachusetts.

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