

# Julius W. Hobson, Jr.

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Julius W. Hobson, Jr., strives to meet client public policy goals and objectives based upon the client needs and capabilities. Julius has more than 50 years' experience in public policy, working both inside and outside of government. He has a deep-rooted understanding and compassion about the public policy process — both legislative and administrative. He primarily serves health care clients with particular emphasis on physicians, hospitals, home health, and long-term care providers.

Julius works with clients to develop strategic plans with achievable goals and objectives. Julius works to educate clients about the importance of the legislative and regulatory processes as they impact client policy goals. He values the team concept in advocacy and has delivered results in a number of areas, including:

- Medicare and Medicaid
- Physician reimbursement
- Physician training
- Graduate medical education
- Hospital reimbursement
- Provider quality measures
- Health reform
- Durable medical equipment

Julius also advises and lobbies on a number of other issues, including appropriations, budget, education, immigration, municipal affairs, tax policy, and congressional oversight and investigations.

Julius served over 13 years as lobbyist and Director, Division of Congressional Affairs, American Medical Association (AMA) where he managed the AMA's interaction with the Congress. He previously served on the staff of Senator Charles Robb [D-VA] and the Committee on the Budget. While working in the Senate, he was responsible for appropriations, budget, financial services, taxes, and other economic issues. Julius previously served in the Executive Office of the District of Columbia Mayor where he was responsible for coordinating the city's relations with the Congress and the Federal Executive Branch. He served in the U.S. House of Representatives as a subcommittee Staff Director and as Chief of Staff to a Member of the House. While serving in the House

## Capabilities

- Health Care
- Federal Government Policy/Lobbying
- Tax
- Physician Organizations
- Public Policy
- Public Policy - Health Care
- Privacy Litigation
- Post Chevron Educational Resources & Updates

in 1985, Julius was the principal staff person responsible for preparing the Congressional Black Caucus alternative budget. He also handled Congressional and Federal Affairs for Howard University.

Julius previously served as Member, Vice Chairman and Chairman of the Board of Directors for the District of Columbia Health and Hospitals Public Benefit Corporation (governing board for the late D.C. General Hospital and the City's public health clinics). He also served a four-year term as an elected member of the D.C. Board of Education, during which he served a term as Vice President.

Currently, Julius is Adjunct Professor, Graduate School of Political Management, George Washington University, where, since 1994, he has taught Lobbying. He also teaches Legislative Writing and Research. Julius previously taught Advanced Strategy Lobbying, Fundamentals of Political Management, and Electoral and Legislative Processes.

## Education

- The George Washington University (M.A., 1980)
- Howard University (B.A., 1977)

## Memberships

- American Historical Association
- American Association of University Professors
- Historical Society of Washington, D.C.
- American Political Science Association

## Civic Involvement:

- Graduate School of Political Management at the George Washington University
  - Board of Advisors, 2021
- Practitioner Board of the journal *Interest Groups and Advocacy*
  - Member (2011-Present)
- The Washington Campus
  - Adjunct Professor (2016-Present)
- Michael J. Fox Foundation Policy Council
  - Member (2016-2019)
- District of Columbia Hospital Association
  - Member, Board of Directors, 2013-present
- District of Columbia Health Information Exchange Policy Board
  - Member, 2012-2015
- National Multiple Sclerosis Society, National Capital Chapter Board of Trustees
  - Chair, Member, 2004-2015
- National Multiple Sclerosis Society Board of Directors
  - Member, 2009-2015

## Matters

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- Working on behalf of physicians facing a reduction in payments under the Medicare Sustainable Growth Rate (SGR), successfully advocated to prevent cuts ranging from

as low as 5 percent to as high as 27 percent.

- Arranged a meeting with the appropriate personnel at the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to explain the problem and to suggest appropriate solutions for a client who was concerned about rules implementing the law (the Physician Payment Sunshine Act requires pharmaceutical companies to report all gifts to physicians and other providers) and issues involving continuing medical education.
- Succeeded in arranging appropriate meetings on Capitol Hill for the Mayor when Kansas City, Mo., sought to retain the Marine Corps data center in the city. Also arranged meetings with the General Services Administration to advocate for an extended lease.

## Publications

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May 8, 2026

**Beyond the Pump: The Iran War's Adverse Impact on U.S. Health Care**

April 29, 2026

**Election Year Politics and Policy at CMMI: What Stakeholders Can Expect**

April 15, 2026

**Budget Reconciliation and Health Policy: Understanding the Legislative Process and Where Congress May Go Next**

April 7, 2026

**The Politics of AI Regulation: Federal Government v. the States**

March 31, 2026

**In-House Influence Podcast**

*Co-Host, In-House Influence Podcast, Washington, D.C.*

March 27, 2026

**Action Alert: CMS Accepting Letters of Intent for New Funding Model to Pilot Lifestyle Interventions Within Original Medicare – Letters Due by April 10**

March 16, 2026

**Hospitals and Health Care Providers Brought before Congress to Testify on Health Care Costs**

March 5, 2026

**Off and Running: The U.S. House of Representatives Kicks Off the Fiscal Year 2027 Appropriations Cycle**

January 7, 2026

**Issue Brief: State-Level Medicaid Fraud in Focus**

July 3, 2025

**Supreme Court Halts Nationwide Injunctions with Major Implications for Ongoing Litigation**

April 29, 2025

**White House Issues New Executive Order on HBCUs: What You Need to Know**

February 19, 2025

**Recent Supreme Court Precedents, New Administration Make Their Mark on Health Care Law**

*Quoted, Law Week Colorado*

January 28, 2025

**Funding Freeze for Health Care Providers – What You Need to Know**

August 7, 2024

**Top Questions Health Care Providers Should Consider in a Post-Chevron World – A Polsinelli Round Table Discussion**

July 23, 2024

**The Chevron Doctrine: Part II—Congress’s Reaction to the Repeal and the Legislative Process**

May 2, 2024

**The Chevron Doctrine: Part I**

June 14, 2023

**Congress Clears Major Agreement to Avert Debt Default**

November 2017

**Update: Three Significant Takeaways from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act**

November 2017

**House Releases Tax Bill: Talking Points and Takeaways**