



★ EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Council convened members and congressional guests from across the country for our *reimagined* 2024 Legislative Summit, February 5-7, at the Waldorf Astoria in Washington, DC. With our annual Working Groups Summit lifted out and elevated to a standalone leadership forum in November, this year's Legislative Summit was designed to bring members into the political fold and help them make personal connections with some of the country's most influential leaders.

BY THE NUMBERS

150

TOTAL
ATTENDEES

60+

MEMBER
FIRMS

30

CONGRESSIONAL
GUESTS

125

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM
PARTICIPANTS



★ WELCOME DINNER

The Summit kicked off Monday evening with a Welcome Dinner at the Waldorf Astoria, featuring the most political speakers of our entire program – **Jason Thielman**, Executive Director of the National Republican Senatorial Committee, and **Rep. Suzan DelBene** (D-WA), Chair of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DCCC). Both shared their respective strategies to flip control of their chambers.



★ LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

On Tuesday morning, members attended our Legislative Program in the Hart Senate Office Building. They heard from Members of Congress on both sides of the aisle who are directly impacting our legislative goals. A wide range of topics was discussed including climate change, the need for skilled workers, border security, social media, the rise in crime across major U.S. cities and the need for bipartisanship. Each speaker stressed the importance of the education The Council provides to them and their staff given the nuances and complexity of our business.

SPEAKERS

- Rep. Raja Krishnamoorthi (D-IL)
- House Committee on Ways & Means Chairman Jason Smith (R-MO)
- Rep. Robert Garcia (D-CA)
- Rep. Lisa McClain (R-MI)
- Rep. Erin Houchin (R-IN)
- Rep. Anthony D'Esposito (R-NY)
- Rep. Mike Lawler (R-NY)
- Rep. Jake Ellzey (R-TX)
- Rep. Max Miller (R-OH)
- Sen. Krysten Sinema (I-AZ)
- Rep. Garret Graves (R-LA)

★ LEGISLATIVE SUMMIT DINNER

On Tuesday evening, The Council held a private dinner for its members and congressional guests at the Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian. Council members were seated with House Reps from the Problem Solvers Caucus – a group of moderate Democrats and Republicans dedicated to working across the aisle to form lasting policy solutions.



PROBLEM SOLVERS CAUCUS GUESTS

Rep. Josh Gottheimer (D-NJ)
Rep. Chris Pappas (D-NH)
Rep. Haley Stevens (D-MI)
Rep. Scott Peters (D-CA)
Rep. Brittany Pettersen (D-CO)
Rep. Brad Schneider (D-IL)
Rep. Jimmy Panetta (D-CA)
Rep. Marc Molinaro (R-NY)
Rep. John Curtis (R-UT)

Rep. Andrew Garbarino (R-NY)
Rep. David Joyce (R-OH)
Rep. Bryan Steil (R-WI)
Rep. Brian Fitzpatrick (R-PA)
Rep. Young Kim (R-CA)
Rep. Dan Meuser (R-PA)
Rep. María Elvira Salazar (R-FL)
Rep. Dusty Johnson (R-SD)
Rep. Mike Lawler (R-NY)



★ LEGAL COUNSEL, CEBE AND BOARD DISCUSSIONS

Throughout the Summit, The Council convened several key groups charged with driving the strategic direction and legislative focus of our association. The Legal Counsel Working Group received an NAIC/NCOIL update from our partners at Steptoe, and vetted topics for future exploration and subgroup focus such as CMS changes in 2025, Florida's drug reimportation plan and Section 125 plan developments.

[The Council of Employee Benefits Executives \(CEBE\)](#) heard from **PhRMA President and CEO Steve Ubl** on prescription drug pricing trends and their impact on commercial insurance brokerage. The group then turned its focus to PBM transparency, the DOL Proposed Association Health Plan rule, a newly formed coalition on end-stage renal disease and ERISA's 50th anniversary. The event concluded on Wednesday with a meeting of [The Council's Board of Directors](#).

 View and download event photos [here](#). Password: CIAB2024

SAVE THE DATE!

Our **2025 LEGISLATIVE SUMMIT** will take place February 3-5 in Washington, D.C.

Bookmark our **Events & Connections** page to keep tabs on all scheduled events, and don't forget to save the date for our **OPERATIONS & WORKING GROUPS FORUM** – November 6-8, 2024 in New Orleans! Learn more.