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Emily O’Brion has over 15 years of state and federal government relations experience and represents clients before the Virginia General Assembly, legislative and executive branch agencies and boards and commissions. Her practice includes higher education, infrastructure and budgetary matters.



Prior to joining Kemper, she was the Director of Government Relations at Longwood University for six years, where she helped develop and advocate for the university’s budget, policy, and legislative priorities and served as Longwood’s liaison to the executive and legislative branches, state agencies, and congressional offices. She previously worked for McGuireWoods Consulting, advising clients on matters related to higher education, capital projects, and the state budget.

Emily began her career in Washington, DC, working in Arnold & Porter’s public policy and legislative practice group and for the American Hospital Association’s political affairs and grassroots advocacy team.

Emily graduated from Lafayette College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Government and Law.

Life at Kemper

- More than 15 years of state and federal government relations experience
- Practice areas include higher education, infrastructure, and budgetary issues

Life Before Kemper

- Director of Government Relations at Longwood University
- Infrastructure and Economic Development practice group at McGuireWoods Consulting in Richmond
- Grassroots Advocacy at the American Hospital Association in Washington, DC
- Graduate of Lafayette College with a BA in Government and Law

Professional Life

- Longwood University Planning Council Compliance Committee
- Urban Land Institute Young Leaders Group Mentorship Program graduate

Life Outside of Kemper

- A Pennsylvania native and avid college basketball fan
- Active in the PTA at her children’s Henrico County elementary school
- Serves on the Children’s Council at Reveille United Methodist Church