

Mike Edwards

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Mike Edwards has 30-years of state and local government relations experience in Virginia. Mike has extensive experience in the state budget and finance issues as well as in transportation, public safety, and local government matters.

Prior to joining Kemper Consulting in 2011, Mike was Deputy Director of one of the largest associations in Virginia, the Virginia Association of Counties. He previously served as the Executive Director of the Foundation for Virginia, a statewide not for profit advocacy group, and as the Deputy Executive Director of the Virginia Municipal League (the National League of Cities' Virginia chapter). Mike also served as the Legislative Liaison for Arlington County.



Mike is a former member of the gubernatorial administrations of Baliles and Wilder where he served in the cabinet as a transportation policy assistant. Before joining the cabinet, he was the legislative aide to a former senior state Senator.

Mike served on the gubernatorial transition teams for Governors Ralph S. Northam, Terence R. "Terry" McAuliffe, Timothy M. Kaine, Mark R. Warner, and L. Douglas Wilder. He previously was an adjunct professor of public policy at the College of William and Mary and is a graduate of the Virginia Executive Institute.

Mike received his Bachelor of Science and Master of Public Administration degrees from James Madison University.

Life at Kemper

- More than 30-years of state and local government relations experience in Virginia
- Practice areas include budget and finance issues, transportation, and local government

Life Before Kemper

- Deputy Director, Virginia Association of Counties
- Executive Director, Foundation for Virginia
- Deputy Executive Director, Virginia Municipal League

Professional Life

- Supported the transition teams of every Democratic governor-elect since 1990 (Wilder, Warner, Kaine, McAuliffe, and Northam)
- Previously taught graduate classes (public administration)

Life Outside of Kemper

- Former member of the Hanover County Community Services Board
- Avid golfer, and fan of the Baltimore Orioles