



Melissa Koloszar-Gatewood

Teams: Government Relations (Team Lead), Strategic Communications (Team Lead), Energy & Environment, Healthcare & Bio-Science, M&A Support & Due Diligence

Expertise Areas

- Congressional Affairs, Government Relations & Lobbying
- Defense and Veterans Issues
- Healthcare Issues
- Energy and Environmental Issues
- Business Development and Strategic Planning
- Due Diligence and Federal Market Assessments

Professional Experience

Ms. Koloszar-Gatewood, co-leader of The SPECTRUM Group's Government Relations Center of Excellence, has more than 20 years of experience advising clients on successfully positioning their products and issues before Congress and the federal government. She assists a broad spectrum of corporate, institutional and municipal clients in developing and managing comprehensive government relations and business development strategies in the federal sector. Ms. Koloszar-Gatewood also performs due diligence research and assessments on behalf of private equity firms seeking independent analysis of federal laws and regulations impacting key federal markets.

Ms. Koloszar-Gatewood has worked in several senior positions on Capitol Hill and maintains strong contacts and expertise in the Congressional appropriations and authorization process. With deep experience in the areas of defense, veterans, healthcare, energy and environment, she advises clients on how to effectively communicate and promote their business interests to key decision-makers in Congress and the federal government, and how to achieve successful results from government challenges.

Key Positions

- Chief of Staff, Senior Member on House Appropriations Committee and Defense Subcommittee
- Legislative Director to Member of House Armed Services Committee (HASC)
- Principal, Congressional Strategies, LLC

Education

- M.A., International Trade, George Mason University
- B.A., Government and French, University of Notre Dame

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