

## CHARLES S. KONIGSBERG

Charles S. Konigsberg has more than two decades' experience serving in senior-level positions in the U.S. Senate, the White House Office of Management and Budget, non-profits and associations.

Mr. Konigsberg served as a senior staff member in the United States Senate for thirteen years becoming a recognized expert on the federal budget and legislative process. He served four years as General Counsel at the Senate Finance Committee under Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan (D-NY). As General Counsel, he managed the Committee's budget legislation. For two of those years, at the Ranking Member's request, he also served as Chief Health Counsel overseeing enactment of Medicare, Medicaid and CHIP legislation.



### Highlights:

- **Assistant Director, White House Office of Management & Budget**
- **General Counsel, Senate Finance Committee**
- **Chief Health Counsel, Senate Finance Committee Minority Staff**
- **Chief Counsel, Senate Rules Committee Minority Staff**
- **Staff Attorney, Senate Budget Committee**
- **Director, Congressional Affairs, Corp. for National and Community Service**
- **Vice President, Strategy & Policy, NEMA**
- **Created USBudgetAlert.com**

In the Executive Branch, Mr. Konigsberg spent four years in the Clinton White House serving as Assistant Director at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) where he managed legislative affairs with the Senate for three successive OMB Directors. He managed the writing, editing, and negotiation of the President's Statements of Administration Policy (SAPs) on extremely tight deadlines to ensure that Administration positions were fully and clearly communicated prior to congressional votes. He advanced the President's budget and fiscal policy priorities, and designed and launched a daily legislative report for the OMB Director and senior White House officials. He also managed implementation of the President's item veto authority and worked on the Solicitor General's legal team in preparation for Supreme Court review of that authority. In 1999, Mr. Konigsberg was awarded for Outstanding Service to OMB.

Mr. Konigsberg began his Senate career as Staff Attorney at the Senate Budget Committee where, as one of two attorneys advising the Chairman, he reviewed all Senate legislation for compliance with federal budget laws and wrote the first two editions of the Committee's plain English explanation of the congressional budget, authorization, and appropriations processes. Mr. Konigsberg developed a smooth and productive working relationship with Senate committees, Senate leadership, parliamentarians, the Congressional Budget Office, the Office of Management and Budget, and the General Accounting Office (now the Government Accountability Office).

After the Budget Committee, Mr. Konigsberg served at the Senate Rules & Administration Committee for six years, ultimately serving as Minority Chief Counsel for the Ranking Member. In that capacity he was responsible for a wide variety of legal, administrative, labor, and institutional matters involving the U.S. Senate and its committees of jurisdiction. He developed a highly productive and bipartisan working relationship with the majority staff, and also provided strategic and policy advice to the Ranking Member on all tax policy, federal budget, and international trade matters.

Mr. Konigsberg also served as Director of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs at the Corporation for National and Community Service, the federal parent agency to AmeriCorps, Learn & Serve America, and Senior Service Corps.

An experienced writer, Mr. Konigsberg is author of *America's Priorities: How the U.S. Government Raises and Spends \$3 Trillion Per Year* (2008), which has received bipartisan praise: "Charles Konigsberg has done a great service for American taxpayers—giving all of us a clear, direct and meaningful guide to \$3 trillion of our money that goes to the government to fund programs that shape our daily lives." (Norman Ornstein, AEI) "Charles Konigsberg, who advised my good friend Pat Moynihan on fiscal policy, explains in clear and concise language why the United States is on a dangerous fiscal path..." (Senator Bob Kerrey)

Mr. Konigsberg is founder of [USBudgetAlert.com](http://USBudgetAlert.com), which provides nonpartisan, expert analysis of taxes, spending and fiscal policy. He has been interviewed by *Voice of America*, *C-SPAN's Washington Journal*, *PBS NewsHour*, *Bloomberg Radio*, *Fox Business News*, *ABC Radio's Money Talk*, *CNN Money*, *National Public Radio*, *National Journal*, *The Hill* and *Congressional Quarterly/Roll Call*.

Mr. Konigsberg served as Vice President for Strategy and Policy at NEMA, the Association of Electrical and Medical Imaging Equipment Manufacturers, where he provided daily strategic and legislative advice to the CEO on issues critical to the success of electrical and medical imaging manufacturers. Accomplishments at NEMA: built a broad industry coalition on tax reform incentives for energy efficiency technologies; led the effort to develop and assemble industry recommendations for the President's Quadrennial Energy Review; managed the progress and expenses of the Association's multiple strategic initiatives including tax reform, smart cities, microgrids, state code adoption, cybersecurity, and technology development; developed an industry resource manual to assist local and state jurisdictions in rebuilding after superstorm Sandy; and built constructive working relationships with Congress, the White House Office of Management and Budget, and the U.S. Trade Representative.

He graduated *magna cum laude* and *Phi Beta Kappa* from Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio in 1980 and from the Case Western Reserve School of Law in Cleveland, Ohio in 1983, where he was Executive Editor of the Law Review. He lives in Reston, Virginia with his wife Amy and son Eddie.

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