

Robert J. Thompson

Bob is the Chairman of the Thompson Advisory Group. He advises and assists corporate and government clients on a wide range of public policy issues, lobbying campaigns, and international business ventures. He brings a long history of domestic and international market creation and market development surrounding information technology, health care, defense, homeland security, intelligence, infrastructure, and the energy industries. Bob has developed a proven track record of effective and timely client advocacy with Members of Congress, the Executive Branch, and senior business executives.

Bob provides strategic and tactical guidance to help clients navigate the complex political and business environments in which we work. With a broad network of senior executive contacts across the federal and state governments and global industry, Bob is known for his ability to quickly and effectively link clients with relevant legislative, political, executive branch, and corporate leaders to accomplish clients' business objectives. Bob's specific areas of expertise include:

- Lobbying and government relations
- Business partnership strategy and formation
- Strategic market planning and development advisory services
- Formal and informal government legislative processes
- Governments need identification, program and policy shaping, and program creation

Prior to starting Thompson Advisory Group, Bob served as Chairman of Jefferson Consulting Group (JCG). He grew JCG is a full service, Washington, D.C.-based consulting firm representing companies and government organizations around the world. While at JCG, Bob expanded their defense, homeland security, and intelligence business. He also played a significant role in the formation and execution of policy and programs that balanced the need for security with privacy and civil liberties.

Before his role at JCG, Bob founded and ran a lobbying firm in Washington. During his fourteen years as President and Chairman of Thompson & Company, he managed a successful legislative and political consulting practice. He represented health care, trade, international business, international government, banking, and tax interests. In addition to his legislative expertise, he developed strong relationships with officials in the White House, as well as the Departments of State, Commerce, Treasury, Defense, and the Office of the United States Trade Representative.

Prior to Thompson & Company, Bob served as Special Assistant to the President and Deputy Director of Legislative Affairs in the White House under President Reagan. He held this position 1983 and was the driving force behind key economic and social legislation during the Presidents first term.

Bob originally came to Washington in December 1980 after the November Reagan-Bush victory. He traveled with Candidate George Bush during the primary and then became Vice President George Bush's first Executive Assistant for Congressional Relations before moving to his White House role for President Reagan.

In addition to his work in Washington, Mr. Bob has participated in various business investments ranging from real estate to manufacturing to finance. He has also served on numerous academic, philanthropic and corporate boards.

Bob loves kids and dogs. He is the proud father of seven children – Jamee, Abby, Hallie, Ben, Caitlin, William, and Zack. His children have blessed him with eight grandchildren. He and his wife Pam also enjoy the company of six dogs.