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Jess Sharp is managing director of the U.S. Chamber Center for Capital Markets Competitiveness (CCMC). Sharp oversees the organization's efforts to support capital markets that are the most fair, efficient, and innovative in the world, with a particular focus on derivatives regulation, GSE reform, and consumer financial protection.

Before joining the Chamber in January 2011, Sharp spent two years running a public policy consulting business as a sole proprietor, providing policy and political analyses and helping clients navigate the regulatory and legislative processes.

He entered the private sector after 11 years of government service in the legislative and executive branches.

Sharp served on President George W. Bush's Domestic Policy Council, first as a specialist in transportation and labor policy issues and then as deputy assistant to the president for domestic policy. In this capacity, he brought together Cabinet agencies and outside stakeholders to develop administration policy, advise the president, and oversee the implementation of the president's program. Specifically, Sharp coordinated the president's efforts on housing and financial services, immigration reform, transportation reform, postal reform, reauthorization of the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief, and general health, labor, and environmental matters.

Earlier, Sharp served on the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee staff where he formulated policy and plotted legislative strategy, specializing in highway finance, highway safety, and railroad issues.

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