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Matthew J. Eggers is a senior director in the National Security and Emergency Preparedness Department at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. He handles homeland security issues, such as cybersecurity, chemical security, and pandemics, on behalf of the Chamber's 200 National Security Task Force members. Eggers also leads the Chamber's Cybersecurity Working Group, which focuses on developing and advocating the Chamber's cyber policies before Congress, the administration, and the business community.

Eggers is the author of *Internet Security Essentials for Business 2.0* (2012), a Chamber guidebook to help business owners, managers, and employees adopt effective cybersecurity practices to reduce network weaknesses and make the price of hacking increasingly steep for their adversaries. He and Chamber colleagues are spearheading an education and awareness campaign—*Improving Today, Protecting Tomorrow*TM—to help businesses start a cybersecurity program or improve an existing one. In 2009, Eggers wrote *It's Not Flu as Usual: An H1N1 Business Preparedness Guide*.

Before joining the Chamber in 2007, Eggers was director of public policy at B&D Consulting (now FaegreBD Consulting), a government affairs firm. For nearly a decade, he developed and executed legislative and appropriations initiatives for clients. Earlier in his career, he worked on Capitol Hill for House members on the Appropriations and Homeland Security committees.

Eggers is an alum of the Executive Leaders Program of the Naval Postgraduate School's Center for Homeland Defense and Security. He earned his M.A. in international commerce and public policy from George Mason University and his B.A. in history and political science from Indiana University. Eggers resides in Virginia with his wife and daughter.

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