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Jay Hickey has been President of the American Horse Council since 1993. The AHC represents the horse industry in Washington, DC before Congress and the federal regulatory agencies. The Washington-based organization includes over 120 equine organizations representing every segment of the horse industry. AHC membership includes individual horse owners, breeders, veterinarians, trainers, farriers, jockeys, drivers, recreational riders, racetracks, horse shows, state horse councils and other stakeholders in the horse industry.

Mr. Hickey is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame (1966) and obtained his law degree from Georgetown University Law School (1970).

Prior to coming to the AHC, Mr. Hickey practiced law with the Washington, DC law firm of Smathers, Merrigan & Herlong. This firm specialized in representing corporations and associations before Congress. One of their clients was the American Horse Council and it was through this relationship that Mr. Hickey became involved with the AHC.

While in private practice, Mr. Hickey also represented other clients, including sports organizations, equine organizations and individual horse owners and breeders.