

After serving the organization for more than 20 years, Larry I. Willis was elected President of TTD in 2017.

As president, Larry oversees the organization's daily operation and is TTD's spokesperson and chief strategist. He collaborates with the officers of TTD's 32 affiliated unions to fight for long-term investments in our transportation system, and to protect and expand the rights working people have to a union voice. He also positions TTD to develop substantive policy expertise so the organization can ensure our nation's transportation system is an engine for good, safe, middle-class jobs that grow our economy.

Larry understands that a qualified, highly skilled frontline workforce is the heart of any well-functioning transportation system, and believes that when it comes to standing up for the rights of the men and women who keep America moving, no fight is too big or too small. Over the course of two decades, he has successfully injected workers' voices into debates ranging from high-profile international trade issues to complex regulatory measures. His deep expertise on transportation and worker-related issues spans all modes and his influence on issues that affect working people can be felt across our nation's transportation network. As Congress was debating sweeping reforms to the maritime shipping industry in 1998, Larry fought to protect port and maritime workers. He successfully challenged foreign control of U.S. airlines. And when unprecedented changes to our nation's transportation system were unveiled after 9/11, Larry fought to ensure the background checks on transportation workers were fair and balanced.

Larry began his career with TTD in 1996 as a Legislative Representative, and quickly became the organization's Legislative Counsel. He went on to become the organization's General Counsel, and was first elected Secretary-Treasurer of TTD in 2010.

Prior to TTD, Larry worked in the office of former U.S. Representative Terry Bruce (D-IL), in the House Energy and Power Subcommittee, and on several political campaigns. He holds a juris doctor degree from the John Marshal Law School and a B.A. in political science from the University of Iowa. He is an active member of the D.C. Bar, and a lifelong fan of McGaw YMCA Camp Echo.