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Matthew Schwartzman became the legislation and military policy director of the Reserve Organization of America (ROA) on July 1, 2022.

Responsible for the management and execution of ROA's government relations program and public policy portfolio, Matthew brings more than five years of experience in government and legislative affairs, policy analysis, membership services, customer relations, constituent communications, database management, media relations, and marketing.



Since 1922, ROA has been the only national Military Service Organization dedicated to supporting the Reserve Components and their critical role in national defense. With its unequalled credibility in ensuring the Reserve Components are strong and ready, and Reserve Component families are well cared for, ROA is a powerful advocate in Congress, the Pentagon, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and policymaker offices throughout Washington, D.C.

Recent legislative achievements include extending VA health care and benefits to more than three million toxic-exposed Veterans via the *Sergeant First Class Heath Robinson Honoring our PACT Act*, expanding TRICARE access to all serving Reservists, and establishing the Ready Reserve Corps of the United States Public Health Service via the *Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act*.

During his time spent in the military policy arena, Matthew has provided sound analysis on more than 200 public policy proposals, developed and grown relationships with more than 60 strategic mission partners in a non-partisan manner, planned events with more than 100 attendees, and presented briefings before crowds exceeding 500 people.

Previously, Matthew served as the policy advisor, legislative affairs for the Air Force Sergeants Association, a congressionally chartered Veterans Service Organization founded in 1961. In this role, Matthew was a federally registered lobbyist representing the personal and professional interests of more than 75,000 servicemembers and their families. Matthew was also the legislative aide to a Maryland State Senator, state field director for a United States senatorial candidate, and a marketing coordinator for the Morris County Chamber of Commerce.

Matthew holds a bachelor of science degree in political science from Towson University.

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