



Julio Lainez

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Julio Lainez, Vice President. Experienced bridge builder and policy wonk with deep understanding of technology, appropriations, foreign, and labor policy. Julio is at ease negotiating bill revisions and devising legislative strategy and development. He also has strong relationships within the Congressional Tri-Caucus.

Prior to joining NVG, Julio was deputy director for legislative affairs for the Transport Workers Union of America (AFL-CIO) where he oversaw Hill outreach on technology policy on issues like autonomous vehicles, electric buses, privacy, and public safety. Julio worked to ensure that labor, government, and tech companies worked together to ensure a fruitful partnership for all. He also co-authored a white paper -- New Technologies in Transit Systems -- on the future of technology in the transportation industry, what it means for the workforce, and policy principles for lawmakers.

Julio spent nearly ten years on Capitol Hill, most recently as Rep. Seth Moulton's (D-MA-06) legislative director where he oversaw legislative strategy; managed the legislative staff; provided guidance to the Member; and strengthened relationships with Members of Congress, Senators, and their staff. Before that he worked for former Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV) in various roles, first as systems administrator, and later as legislative aide for foreign policy, where he assisted the senior foreign policy advisor on the yearly NDAA, Middle East, and Latin American politics.

Julio also has experience in political campaigns at the presidential and state levels. He worked for Senator Harry Reid's last reelection campaign in Nevada in 2010; helped America's Voice as their Virginia state director in the 2017 campaign where the first Latina was elected to the Virginia House of Delegates; and assisted the campaign of presidential candidate Seth Moulton in 2019.

His experience also includes serving as communications and operations manager for ProsperoLatino, a strategic communications firm which worked to connect organizations to the growing Latino market throughout the United States.

He did graduate work at Johns Hopkins University and undergraduate work at George Mason University. He lives in Alexandria, VA with his wife and their three kids. He's a huge Los Angeles sports fan from his time living in Southern California as a kid.