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## John "JB" Byrd Recognized for 15 Years of Service at JMP&A

FAIRFAX, VA- John "JB" Byrd was recognized today on the occasion of the 15th anniversary of his employment with John M. Palatiello & Associates, Inc. (JMP&A), a government relations and association management firm.

Since joining JMP&A in January of 2005, Byrd has built a reputation as a trusted and effective advocate for the firm's clients, and has become a recognized subject matter expert on issues related to the surveying and geospatial profession, Federal procurement, infrastructure, natural resources, and private sector utilization.



(l-r) Paul Miller, John "JB" Byrd,  
John Palatiello

During his tenure at JMP&A, Byrd has risen from government affairs manager to vice president. In 2018, JMP&A merged with Miller/Wenhold Capitol Strategies (Miller/Wenhold) and operates as a wholly owned subsidiary. Byrd holds the title of vice president in both JMP&A and Miller/Wenhold.

As a lobbyist registered before Congress and the Federal government, Byrd has raised the profile of his clients and their public policy agenda. Among his many significant accomplishments are: reforms to flood insurance rate maps (FIRMs) in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in the 2012 Biggert-Waters Act; increases in appropriations for the USGS 3-Dimensional Elevation Program (3DEP); improvements to the Federal government's building inventory, known as the Federal Real Property Profile, in the Federal Assets Sales and Transfer Act of 2016 (FASTA) and the Federal Property Management Reform Act of 2016, as well as improvements to the Department of Defense and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers real property records; provisions in the Protecting our Infrastructure of Pipelines and Enhancing Safety (PIPES) Act of 2016; significant provisions in the Geospatial Data Act of 2018; inclusion of geospatial expertise on the precision agriculture task force authorized in the 2018 Farm Bill; formation of the House Yellow Pages Caucus in Congress; and the coordination of geospatial data as prioritized in the Office of Management and Budget's 2020 Action Plan in the Federal Data

Strategy. Byrd has also successfully facilitated numerous appearances by JMP&A and its clients as witnesses to provide testimony before Congressional committees, as well as meetings at the White House and among federal agencies.

"JB is a valued member of our team and has built an extraordinary reputation in Washington, DC as a hard-working, knowledgeable, personable and effective government relations professional. We're proud to have him as part of our firm and grateful for the work he does for our clients," said John Palatiello, President of JMP&A.

"JB deserves this recognition for his tenure and many accomplishments. His knowledge of Congress and the Federal government, kind nature, and work ethic make him a pleasure for members of our firm, clients, coalition partners, members of Congress and staff, and Federal agency officials to work with," said Paul Miller, President of Miller/Wenhold.

Among those clients Byrd serves is the National Society of Professional Surveyors (NSPS), the U.S. Geospatial Executives Organization (U.S. GEO), Council on Federal Procurement of Architectural and Engineering Services (COFPAES), the Subsurface Utility Engineering Association (SUEA), and the Business Coalition for Fair Competition (BCFC). Byrd manages coalitions, including the 3DEP Coalition, Digital Coast Partnership Advocacy Coalition, and the Coalition for a White House Conference on Small Business. He also participates in coalitions for client engagement, such as the Alliance for Aviation Across America, Construction Industry Procurement Coalition, Flood Map Coalition, GPS Innovation Alliance, Infrastructure Working Group, and USGS Coalition.

About JMP&A

John M. Palatiello & Associates, Inc. ([www.jmpa.us](http://www.jmpa.us)) is a public affairs consulting firm based in the Washington, DC suburb of Fairfax, VA. Formed in 1987, JMP&A provides association management, strategic planning, public relations, government affairs, and management and marketing consulting services to private firms, associations and government agencies with an emphasis on the sectors of architecture and engineering; geospatial, surveying, mapping, and GIS; information technology; construction; transportation and infrastructure; Federal procurement and privatization. JMP&A is a division of Miller/Wenhold Capitol Strategies ([mwcapitol.com](http://mwcapitol.com)). Miller/Wenhold fields a diverse team of experienced experts at all levels of government, politics, grassroots, training, coalition building, association representation, and federal procurement. With over 100 years of combined experience among the team, Miller/Wenhold provides clients with the knowledge and expertise they need to be effective in Washington.

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