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Chantel Sheaks is executive director of retirement policy at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Sheaks develops, promotes, and publicizes the Chamber's policy on retirement plans, nonqualified deferred compensation, and Social Security. In addition, she regularly meets with members of Congress, the administration, and regulatory agencies to advocate the Chamber's retirement policy. She also represents the Chamber on several national coalitions.

Sheaks has over 20 years of experience in employee benefits law, in both policy and practice. Her experience includes working as a director in the Global Human Resources group of PricewaterhouseCoopers and serving as the fund director and counsel for the National IAM Benefit Trust Fund. Before that, Sheaks established the government relations unit of Buck Consultants, working on employee benefit legislative and regulatory matters on behalf of Buck and its client. She also was a partner at McDermott, Will & Emery in the firm's Employee Benefits Department.

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