

Biography

Michael P. Jackson Deputy Secretary U.S. Department of Transportation

President George W. Bush nominated Michael P. Jackson to serve as Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), and the Senate unanimously confirmed Mr. Jackson on May 3, 2001.

As Deputy Secretary, Mr. Jackson serves as the Department's chief operating officer, with responsibility for the day-to-day management of DOT's 11 modal administrations and for the work of more than 100,000 DOT employees. He supports Secretary of Transportation Norman Y. Mineta in carrying out DOT's core safety mission and overseeing policy development for the Department.

As Deputy Secretary of Transportation, Mr. Jackson began a second tour of duty at the agency; he earlier served as Chief of Staff to the Secretary of Transportation during the Administration of President George H.W. Bush. Mr. Jackson also served in the Bush White House as Special Assistant to the President for Cabinet Liaison, and he held several positions reporting to the Secretary of Education in the Administration of President Reagan.

Before returning to DOT, Mr. Jackson worked in the private sector as Chief Operating Officer at Lockheed Martin's IMS's Transportation Systems and Services. IMS provides high technology services to toll authorities, freight companies and 35 state governments. From 1993 to 1997, Mr. Jackson was Senior Vice President and Counselor to the President of the American Trucking Associations, where he managed intermodal, international and technology policy matters.

He has been a researcher at the American Enterprise Institute and taught political science at the University of Georgia and at Georgetown University. Mr. Jackson graduated from the University of Houston with a Bachelor of Arts degree and received a Ph.D. with distinction from the Government Department at Georgetown University in 1985.