



Pat Thomas
ATA Chairman

PAT THOMAS BIOGRAPHY

Pat Thomas is Senior Vice President, State Government Affairs for UPS

As Senior Vice President of State Government Affairs, Pat oversees all state legislative, regulatory and political activities for the U.S. In this role, Pat directs a team of state and local public affairs managers across the country. He also oversees the UPS Congressional Awareness Program, a comprehensive grassroots program designed to strengthen UPS's relationships with Members of Congress in their home district.

Pat is currently Chairman of the American Trucking Associations, the largest national trade association for the trucking industry.

Through a federation of 50 affiliated state trucking associations and industry-related conferences and councils, ATA is the voice of the industry America depends on most to move our nation's freight

Pat began his career with UPS in 1985 as a seasonal delivery driver. Since then, he held senior positions in operations and human resources before joining the public affairs group in 1998, where he

first managed public affairs issues in the western region. In 2002, Pat was selected to join the public affairs group in Washington, D.C., where he assumed responsibility for developing and managing UPS's state-level policy strategy. He also assumed a special assignment, leading UPS's international group where he oversaw a team of international policy managers and advocacy for issues such as trade facilitation, customs and international aviation.

Before joining UPS, Pat worked as a commercial pilot for various private corporations flying both people and cargo to airports throughout the U.S. He is also a certified flight instructor and has trained pilots. He earned a B.S. in Aviation Management from Southern Illinois University.

Pat is married to Kathy and they have three children.