

# Austin Welch

Director



Austin Welch serves as a Director at DCI where he leads multi-state grassroots advocacy and state government affairs campaigns for clients in the financial services, technology, telecommunications, retail, and energy industries. Austin specializes in coalition management, strategic communications, labor engagement, litigation support, and ballot initiatives.

Since joining DCI, Austin has planned and executed countless strategic state-based advocacy campaigns - culminating in the passage of a number of key pieces of legislation in several states. His ability to navigate complex policy environments and mobilize third-party stakeholders has made him a trusted advisor to clients engaged in high-profile policy debates. To date, Austin has engaged his network of state political operatives in more than 35 states on behalf of his clients. Austin graduated from Pepperdine University in Malibu, California, where he earned degrees in Business Administration and Political Science as well as a Certificate in Dispute Resolution from Pepperdine's Caruso School of Law. During his time at Pepperdine, Austin served as student body president for two consecutive years. Austin lives with his fiancée and dog, Samson, and enjoys cheering on the Los Angeles Lakers and Green Bay Packers.