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Emily Webster Murphy is the Policy Director and Senior Counsel for the Committee on Small Business in the U.S. House of Representatives, specializing in contracting and workforce issues. In the 112th and 113th Congresses, Ms. Murphy was the primary author of the small business contracting reforms that became law as part of the National Defense Authorization

Acts of 2013, 2014, and 2015, and she worked on many of the contracting reforms in the National Defense Authorization Acts of 2016 passed by Congress. She also provides the Committee with strategic direction on matters relating to capital access, regulatory reform, tax, and trade.

This is Ms. Murphy's second time with the Committee, where she worked on government contracting, lending, and telecommunications issues in the 1990s. In the interim, Ms. Murphy has focused on federal procurement issues, most recently spending 4 years as the general counsel and vice president for operations at a start-up satellite telecommunications company. In addition to her time practicing as a government contracts lawyer, Ms. Murphy served as the Associate Administrator for Government Contracting at the U.S. Small Business Administration, and as the Chief Acquisition Officer at the U.S. General Services Administration. Ms. Murphy is a graduate of Smith College and the University of Virginia School of Law.