## **Tony Coughlan**

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Tony Coughlan joined the Republican staff of the Senate Finance Committee in January 2009, where he works on corporate, international, and various individual tax issues. Senator Orrin Hatch of Utah has been the leader of the Republicans on the Committee since early 2011, and has been chairman since early 2015.



For the three years prior to joining the Committee staff, Tony was a tax director for Oracle Corporation in California. From 1998 to 2006, he worked for PricewaterhouseCoopers, in both the Washington National Tax Service, as well as the Hong Kong office.

From 1996 to 2002, he served three terms as an elected member of the Fairfax City Council in the Virginia suburbs of Washington, DC where he took a lead role in successfully sponsoring real property tax reform legislation, authorizing Fairfax City to tax improvements at a lower rate than land. This bipartisan legislation was signed into law by then-Governor Mark Warner. Tony did not seek re-election in 2002 so as to focus on career and family.

Tony is a graduate of Virginia Tech (double major in Math and History), the University of Virginia School of Law, and of the Georgetown University Law Center LLM tax program, with distinction. His articles on stock options, real estate taxation, and the R&D Tax Credit have appeared in *The Tax Lawyer*, the *George Mason Law Review*, and *Tax Notes*.