

Linda Dempsey Vice President, International Economic Affairs Policy, National Association of Manufacturers

Linda Dempsey is the vice president of international economic affairs policy at the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM). In this capacity, Ms. Dempsey leads the NAM's efforts to improve the global competitiveness of manufacturers in the United States by advocating for intellectual property protection, increased export financing and the elimination of trade barriers as well as pushing for agreements and treaties to open up new export markets to create jobs. Ms. Dempsey is noted for her experience on a wide range of international trade and investment policy issues.

Prior to the NAM, Ms. Dempsey worked in both the private sector and on Capitol Hill as a strong and effective advocate for America's interests in international economic policy. Most recently, Ms. Dempsey served as vice president of the Emergency Committee for American Trade where she represented Fortune 500 companies on trade, investment and international tax policy. Prior to that, she worked as trade counsel for the Senate Finance Committee for several years where she advised the committee's members on trade legislation; multilateral, regional and bilateral trade and investment issues and negotiations; and related matters on international tax, labor and the environment. She also worked as an adviser to former Sen. Bill Bradley (D-NJ) on international trade, foreign policy and immigration. Ms. Dempsey began her career as an attorney specializing in international trade law and government procurement.

A native of Pennsylvania, Ms. Dempsey received her B.A. in political science from the Pennsylvania State University and her law degree from Boalt Hall School of Law at the University of California, Berkeley.

Ms. Dempsey has not testified before the Commission.