



Biography

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Heather Pederson serves as the Senior Director, International Operations and Policy for Boeing's Government Relations Office in Washington, DC. In this capacity, Ms. Pederson represents the interests of The Boeing Company with U.S. Government agencies, embassies, and trade organizations promoting commercial aircraft programs in the Middle East, Africa, and Turkey.

In May 2005, Ms. Pederson joined Boeing with 20 years experience in international trade and industry matters with the U.S. Department of Commerce. Most recently, she served as the senior policy advisor to the Department's Assistant Secretary for Manufacturing and Services from 2003-2005. In this role, Ms. Pederson provided guidance on trade policy, industry analysis, and domestic regulations affecting the competitiveness of U.S. manufacturers.

From 1990-2003, Ms. Pederson held the position of senior international trade specialist in the Commerce Department's Office of Aerospace where she marketed aerospace products abroad, coordinated government advocacy on behalf of U.S. aviation companies, conducted industry analysis, and addressed trade policy issues including subsidies, tariff barriers, and regulatory impediments. Ms. Pederson participated in a number of bilateral and multilateral trade negotiations including the 1992 U.S.-EU Agreement in Large Civil Aircraft, the WTO Agreement on Trade in Civil Aircraft, and the OECD Arrangement on Guidelines for Officially Supported Export Credits for Civil Aircraft.

From 1984-1990, Ms. Pederson served as an international economist in Commerce's Office of Automotive Affairs where she promoted U.S. auto parts exports and organized trade missions, conferences and trade shows in support of the automotive industry, particularly in Korea. Ms. Pederson participated in automotive trade negotiations between the United States and Japan. She held the position of designated federal officer for the Industry Sector Advisory Committee for Transportation coordinating private sector advice on automotive trade policy issues.

Ms. Pederson serves on the Board of Directors of the Corporate Council on Africa and the U.S.-Angola Chamber of Commerce, and is a private sector advisor to the U.S. Department of Commerce's U.S.-Turkey Business Council Advisory Committee.

Ms. Pederson earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics from Andrews University in Michigan in 1983. She is married to Wayne Pederson, and they have two children.

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