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J.B. Simko is the head of PMI's office in Washington, D.C., and serves as Vice President External Affairs.

Before being appointed to his current position, J.B. served as Vice President & Associate General Counsel, Litigation, managing litigation of company-wide significance on behalf of PMI entities globally (joining Litigation in 2008 and named Vice President of the group in 2013). In this role, J.B. also became deeply involved in developing regulatory strategies related to FDA authorization of new and modified risk tobacco products.

Since joining PMI in 2001, J.B. has provided legal support across many business functions during his career, including Next Generation Products, Research & Development, Communications, Sales, Marketing and Motorsports, Brand Integrity, and Compliance. J.B. started his career as a litigation attorney with Shook, Hardy & Bacon.

J.B. is a graduate of the University of Minnesota Law School (JD, magna cum laude and Order of the Coif) and a graduate of the University of Iowa (BS, Psychology).