

PA CHAMBER AI SUMMIT

Artificial Intelligence in the Current and Future Workplace

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AGENDA

- 8:00 A.M.** **Registration, Breakfast, Networking**
- 9:00 A.M.** **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
- Chad Firestone, Managing Director, Deloitte
 - Jon Anzur, Senior Vice President, Public Affairs, PA Chamber of Business and Industry
- 9:15 A.M.** **AI's Impact on Economic Development**
- Dave Meyer, Trainer, Google AI Works Accelerator
 - Bruce Childers, Dean, School of Computing and Information, University of Pittsburgh
 - Jen Gilburg, Deputy Secretary of Technology and Entrepreneurship, Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development
- 10:10 A.M.** **AI Technology Provider Perspectives**
- Jesse Roberts, Principal Solutions Architect, Amazon World Services
- 10:30 A.M.** **Energy and AI**
- **Moderator:** Bill Abolt, Specialist Executive, Deloitte
 - Senator Greg Rothman, PA Senate
 - Felicia King, Director of Economic Development, FirstEnergy
 - Adam Walters, Senior Energy Advisor, Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development
- 11:30 A.M.** **Lunch and Demo Stations**
- 1:00 P.M.** **High Impact AI Solutions**
- **Moderator:** Gabe Grab, Principal, Deloitte
 - Daren Coudriet, Executive Director, Nittany AI Alliance, Penn State University
 - Harrison MacRae, Director of Emerging Technologies, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 - Reuben Daniel, AVP of AI, UPMC Health Plan
 - Eppie Vojt, Chief Data and AI Officer, West Shore Home
- 1:55 P.M.** **Demo Stations**
- 2:30 P.M.** **AI Summit Concludes**

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS



Chad Firestone, Managing Director, Deloitte

Chad Firestone serves as Deloitte's Pennsylvania Account Leader focused on State, Local and Higher Education sectors. He has spent the last 30 years working in, with or for the Commonwealth in various leadership roles.

Prior to Deloitte, he served as Executive Deputy Chief Information Officer for the Commonwealth and Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Justice Network (JNET) before transitioning to the private sector. Chad has led strategic initiatives and transformations across core business operations, technology, human resources and procurement and holds a special affinity for public safety.

Chad earned a BA in Criminology from IUP and an MPA from Penn State. He lives in southcentral PA with his wife of 30 years, two daughters and one very special granddaughter.



Jon Anzur, Senior Vice President, Public Affairs, PA Chamber of Business and Industry

Jon Anzur is a Mechanicsburg native with a decade of experience managing communications and political campaigns at the state and federal levels. Anzur most recently served as chief of staff and campaign manager to Congressman Fred Keller (PA-12). As Congressman Keller's top political and legislative aide, Anzur managed Keller's successful special election campaign—the first of the 116th Congress that attracted involvement from both national party committees—and successful re-election effort, as well as his Washington, D.C., and Pennsylvania legislative offices.

Anzur also previously worked as a top aide to former Congressman Lou Barletta, managing Barletta's U.S. House re-election and U.S. Senate campaigns and serving as communications director in his Washington, D.C. office. At the state level, Anzur worked in both the legislative and executive branches in Harrisburg in a variety of communications roles for Gov. Tom Corbett and the Pennsylvania General Assembly. He graduated summa cum laude from the University of Pittsburgh.



Dave Meyer, Trainer, Google AI Works Accelerator

Dave Meyer is a Google trainer with over 25 years of marketing experience. He currently delivers AI workshops for small businesses across Pennsylvania as part of the Google AI Works Accelerator. Apart from the Accelerator, Dave has presented digital marketing topics to thousands of people across the U.S. and Canada. His presentations include more than 400 webinars on topics including Inbound marketing, CRM, SEO, advertising, content marketing, and sales strategy. Dave was named 2016 Entrepreneur of the Year by the Minneapolis Chamber of

Commerce, and has been recognized by organizations including HubSpot, the International Association of Business Communicators (IABC), the Association of Builders and Contractors (ABC) and many others as a thought leader in marketing and communications.

Dave's company, BizzyWeb, helps hundreds of clients with a range of services including Inbound Marketing, Web Design, Fractional-Tactical support, CRM & Sales Automation!



Bruce Childers, Dean, School of Computing and Information, University of Pittsburgh

Bruce Childers is the Dean of the School of Computing and Information (SCI). He previously served as Interim Dean, Senior Associate Dean of SCI, [Special Assistant to the Provost for Data Science](#), and Chair of the Department of Information Culture and Data Stewardship. He is a Professor of Computer Science. Previously acting as Associate Dean for Strategic Initiatives, Childers led [faculty recruitment](#) and development for SCI. He has also been the Co-director of the Graduate Computer Engineering program and the Director of Graduate Studies for Computer Science. He graduated from the University of Virginia with a PhD (CS, 2000) and the College of William and Mary with a BS (CS, 1991).

Childers' recent research focuses on novel technologies and cultural change to advance transparency, reuse and reproducibility of data science for accelerated discovery and trustworthy insight. With colleagues, these scholarly contributions are disseminated through innovations embodied in open source software, including the [Occam system](#). His research also addresses the software-hardware boundary for improved energy, performance, reliability, and robustness, with an emphasis on embedded systems, including the Internet-of-Things. Learn more about the achievement of SCI in the inaugural Annual Report [here](#).



Jen Gilburg, Deputy Secretary of Technology and Entrepreneurship, Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development

Jen Gilburg is Deputy Secretary of Technology and Entrepreneurship for the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development. Jen has decades-long experience working in both technology and manufacturing in the private sector. She has been on the forefront of such high growth technologies as data security and artificial intelligence, and has worked in advanced technologies for the automotive, medical and robotics industries. Most recently, Jen served as Vice President of Business Development for a developer of AI-driven technology for use in autonomous vehicles and robotics.

As Deputy Secretary of Technology and Entrepreneurship, she will focus on implementing the Shapiro Administration's and DCED's vision of attracting, fostering, and investing in people and companies focused on technology and innovation across multiple sectors, and throughout the state.

She has a BS from Syracuse University and a Masters in Management from Villanova.



Jesse Roberts, Principal Solutions Architect, Amazon World Services

Jesse Roberts is an AWS Principal Solutions Architect with 28 years' experience as an engineer, analyst, architect and executive. At Amazon Web Services, Jesse serves as the Lead Solutions Architect for their State, Local Government and Education business in the eastern United States where he is passionate about leveraging cloud technology and design thinking to help address the biggest challenges of government and education. Prior to AWS, he worked for 21 years at Boeing and General Electric in various system and data architecture leadership roles after which he joined Maximus becoming their Vice President of IT Architecture. Outside of IT, Jesse is a co-founder of the Rensselaer Repair Café and serves on the Board of Trustees for both Woodland Hill Montessori School and the Arts Center of the Capital Region.



Bill Abolt, Specialist Executive, Deloitte

Bill Abolt is a Specialist Executive at Deloitte where he works with a talented team of professionals who help clients accelerate decarbonization, build a smarter and more resilient electric grid and empower energy customers and communities. He has over 30 years of environmental, energy, and infrastructure experience in both the private and public sectors. Bill has developed, administered, and implemented comprehensive sustainability, resilience and energy programs for utilities, government, and private clients.

Prior to Deloitte, he led the United States Energy Practices at both AECOM and Shaw Environmental & Infrastructure, and was responsible for all aspects of the strategy, growth, and operations of those businesses.

Before consulting in the private sector, he served as Environment Commissioner, Director of the Office of Budget and Management, and Chief Management Officer of the City of Chicago, where he was responsible for managing the City's multi-billion-dollar capital and operating budgets and developing Chicago's energy assurance and critical infrastructure plans and its strategy to become one of the most sustainable cities in the nation.

He is an adjunct professor at Northwestern University where he developed and teaches graduate courses in Environmental and Climate Policy, and Regulatory Policy.



Senator Greg Rothman, PA Senate

Greg Rothman was elected to the State Senate in November 2022 to represent the people of the 34th Senate District, which includes Cumberland and Perry counties and northern Dauphin County. He previously represented the 87th Legislative District in the House of Representatives.

Rothman chairs the Senate Game and Fisheries Committee, which helps manage and protect the commonwealth's natural resources and considers legislation affecting hunting, fishing and conservation. He is also a member of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs, Banking and Insurance, Education, Finance, Rules and Executive Nominations, and Transportation committees.

He is the former president and CEO of RSR REALTORS, where he began as a real estate sales agent in 1989. Under his leadership, the company grew to become one of the largest real estate businesses in Central Pennsylvania.

Prior to his public service, Rothman enlisted in the Marine Corps during Operation Desert Storm. He served nearly 10 years in the Marine Corps Reserve, rising to the rank of staff sergeant before being honorably discharged in 2001. His service led the president of the United States to appoint him to the National Veterans Business Development Corporation board to encourage veterans to start entrepreneurial ventures.

Rothman is a graduate of Cumberland Valley High School and holds an undergraduate degree in political science from the University of Massachusetts/Amherst and a Master of Science degree in real estate from Johns Hopkins University.

He previously served as a trustee at Harrisburg University of Science and Technology and as a board member of the Boys and Girls Club of Harrisburg. He was one of the five founders of the Harrisburg Young Professionals.

Rothman is the proud father of five children.



Felicia King, Director of Economic Development, FirstEnergy

Felicia King is Director of Economic Development for FirstEnergy. King joined the company in September 2024 and is responsible for providing leadership and strategic direction for the Economic Development team whose goal is to support the realization of our communities' economic visions through the attraction and retention of businesses, job creation and increased capital investment in our service territory.

King comes to FirstEnergy from Rappahannock Electric Cooperative (REC) in Virginia, the second largest distribution cooperative in the United States. She served as the organization's Director of Economic Development and oversaw both business attraction and business retention, as well as the company's expansion efforts for all commercial, industrial and government accounts.

Prior to her time at REC, King worked as a local economic developer for Henrico County, Va. She began her career over 20 years ago working with small, family-owned Main Street businesses.

King earned a Bachelor of Arts in international law and diplomacy from Brigham Young University and a Master of Business Administration from Old Dominion University.



Adam Walters, Senior Energy Advisor, Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development

Adam is Senior Energy Advisor for the Department of Community and Economic Development's Office of Energy. Adam works across public, private, and non-profit sectors to bring energy-related economic development opportunities to the commonwealth. Previously, he was a William Penn Fellow with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development where he supported the agency's goals of developing business investment and recruitment strategies for the commonwealth in the energy sector. Adam earned his Master of Public Administration from Penn State University and holds a bachelor's degree in International Relations.



Gabe Grab, Principal, Deloitte

Gabe Grab is Deloitte's Analytics & AI leader for State Government bringing more than 17 year's experience leading mission-focused solutions for government organizations. Gabe and his team work across the nation helping organizations to improve program outcomes, enhance workload efficiency, and increase transparency using data and AI.

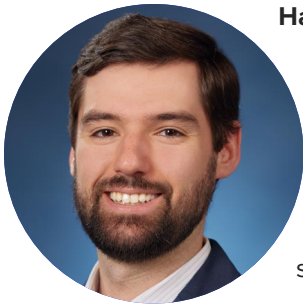
He brings deep expertise across multiple technology capabilities including integration, data modernization, visualization, machine learning, Generative AI, and more. He pairs this expertise with deep business knowledge in Human Services, Health, Labor, and Transportation programs to implement solutions focused on improving service outcomes and enabling insight driven decision making.

Gabe is a regular speaker at national conferences, has testified on AI for house and senate government leaders, and frequently publishes industry-leading points of view. Additionally, he leads Research and Innovation as part of Deloitte's Generative AI practice helping to explore emerging AI technologies, create prototypes, and advise government and industry leaders on Artificial Intelligence.



Daren Coudriet, Executive Director, Nittany AI Alliance, Penn State University

Daren Coudriet is the Executive Director for the Nittany AI Alliance and the Executive Director of Innovation for Penn State Outreach. He has devoted his entire career to helping organizations leverage and adapt to the change created by disruptive technologies. He established his first consulting firm while pursuing his B.S. in engineering at Penn State. Upon graduation, he helped start a venture-backed firm in State College, Pennsylvania, that developed solutions using geographic information systems (GIS). He started his first internet consulting firm in the 1990s and has been involved in helping organizations leverage the disruptive nature of the internet ever since. Daren also earned his M.S. in engineering and MBA in strategy and marketing from Penn State.



Harrison MacRae, Director of Emerging Technologies, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Harrison MacRae is the Director of Emerging Technologies for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Office of Administration. In this role, he leads efforts to ensure the responsible and effective implementation of artificial intelligence (AI) across state government. Previously, Harrison served as a Govern for America Fellow and as the Strategy and Analytics Lead for Missouri's Division of Personnel. He also brings experience from the startup and civic-tech sectors. He holds an engineering degree from Stanford University.



Reuben Daniel, AVP of AI, UPMC Health Plan

Reuben Daniel leads transformative AI initiatives that drive measurable impact across healthcare and enterprise operations. As AVP of AI, Daniel specializes in aligning cutting-edge technologies with strategic business goals—enhancing efficiency, elevating customer experiences, and unlocking new opportunities for innovation.

With a deep understanding of AI systems and their real-world applications, Daniel collaborates with cross-functional teams to design and deploy solutions that are not only technically sound but also business-critical. His approach blends technical rigor with strategic foresight, ensuring that every AI initiative delivers tangible value and competitive advantage.

Recent efforts include spearheading AI community working sessions, contributing to thought leadership through podcast recordings, and partnering with stakeholders across departments to scale AI adoption. Daniel thrives in dynamic environments where curiosity, collaboration, and impact converge.



Eppie Vojt, Chief Data and AI Officer, West Shore Home

Eppie Vojt is Chief Data and AI Officer at West Shore Home, one of the nation's largest home remodeling companies. He leads the company's data and AI strategy, applying advanced technology to improve how projects are sold, scheduled, and completed. He leads a team developing proprietary systems that use AI for lead scoring, call analysis, and real-time project scheduling. With more than 20 years of experience in marketing, software, and product leadership, he has guided high-growth companies through major digital advancements. At West Shore Home, Vojt spearheaded initiatives such as Scheduling at the Point of Sale (SAPOS), which uses AI to align projects with permits, inventory, and real-time installer availability. This system reduces cancellations and enhances the customer experience. Before joining West Shore Home, Vojt held senior leadership roles at Storable and Red Ventures and has advised other private equity-backed technology firms. He earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Pittsburgh.