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PRESIDENT

Luis Quiñonez was named president of the California Foundation for Commerce and Education, effective February 18, 2025.

His knowledge of how regulations and laws at the local, state and federal levels affect individuals and businesses comes from more than 20 years of experience in public policy, public affairs, government relations and research in both the public and private sectors.

Quiñonez has expertise in policy areas ranging from economic development, budget and taxes, housing, transportation, insurance, climate change and renewable energy, to education, health care, international relations, immigration, and veterans affairs.

Most recently, Quiñonez served as chief of staff to California State Senator Anna M. Caballero since 2022. His previous State Capitol

experience includes stints as chief of staff to former Assemblywoman Autumn Burke and former Assemblywoman Susan Bonilla, whom he served as chief of staff while she was a Contra Costa County supervisor, before her election to the Assembly. Furthermore, Quiñonez was a senior aide to longtime U.S. Representative Barbara Lee.

In the private sector, Quiñonez was vice president and West Coast director for Res Publica Group, a global public affairs firm. Before that, Quiñonez was manager of North America state and local government relations for eBay. He also led U.S. state government relations for Zenefits, a softwareas-a-service platform.

Quiñonez holds a B.A. in political science and M.P.A. in public administration from the University of San Francisco.

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