



**Rett Hatcher**  
**Partner**

Rett Hatcher is a partner at Gilmore Strategy Group. Possessing more than a decade of experience in and around the state capitol, Rett has gained insight into the unique financial framework of state government. As Governor Asa Hutchinson's initial Director of Legislative and Agency Affairs, Rett managed a staff of 15 policy analyst and agency liaisons. As a member of the senior staff, Rett met daily with the Governor to discuss his agenda and to brief the Governor on financial issues at the state level.

Rett led staff efforts to develop the Governor's broad policy proposals into legislation. He worked with the legislature and various stakeholders to receive statutory approval to implement a slate of policy proposals. These include the Soft Drink Tax Reduction (Act 141 of 2017), Tax Reform and Relief Act of 2017 (Act 78 of 2017), funding the Long Term Reserve Fund (Act 7, 1st Extraordinary Session of 2017), and the Arkansas Highway Improvement Plan of 2016 (Act 1, 3rd Extraordinary Session of 2016) along with other agenda items.

Rett oversaw the Governor's biennial budget process for FY18-19. He worked with DFA and State Agencies to develop the Executive Recommendation for the biennial budget. Rett then worked with the Legislature and various stakeholders to receive approval during 2017 regular session.

Rett is a licensed attorney and CPA in the state of Arkansas. He received his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the University of Arkansas at Fort Smith and his Juris Doctor from the William H Bowen School of Law in Little Rock. As an appointee of Governor Asa Hutchinson to the State and Public School Life and Health Insurance Board, he worked to maintain an actuarially sound system

while managing state OPEB liability. He is a founding board member of the Arkansas Association of Asian Businesses. Rett has previously served in various roles in both the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System and the Secretary of State's office.

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