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Over the next two days, we will expose you to every facet of NVCA's proinnovation agenda and empower you to engage with and educate policymakers on the important issues affecting the entrepreneurial ecosystem. On day one, you will gather new insights from keynote addresses and fireside chats involving top policymakers, regulators and VCs on the key activities going on behind the scenes in Washington, as well as in depth panel discussions on our top policy issues. Then, on day two, we will gather on Capitol Hill to teach you the core principles of successfully lobbying on an issue and then put those new advocacy skills to work at meetings with important policymakers.

From immigration and tax reform to cryptocurrency and capital markets regulation, so many of our issues will be in play in the months (and years) ahead. That is why we need you to work with NVCA—YOUR trade association—on the issues that matter to your firms and your portfolio companies.

While the NVCA policy team engages with policymakers throughout the year and is skilled at getting things done in Washington, we know it is most effective when policymakers hear directly from you. After making a difference in Washington this week, please remain engaged to help us strengthen and grow the entrepreneurial ecosystem.

Thank you for joining us. We look forward to a productive two days of public policy discussion and advocacy.

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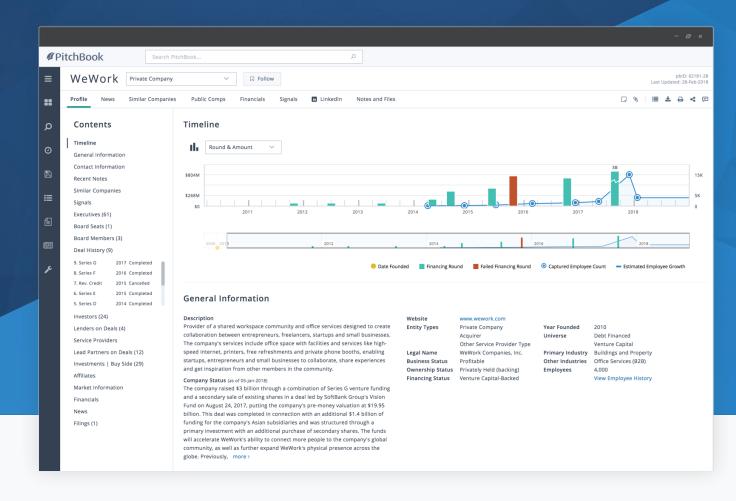
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#### SCHEDULE-AT-A-GLANCE

#### Wednesday, May 16, 2018

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	8:00 a.m.	Registration Open
	8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.	Networking Breakfast
A. A.	9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	President's Update
3	9:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Passing of the Gavel
A	9:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	FIRESIDE CHAT: FDA Commissioner Scott Gottlieb
12	10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	FIRESIDE CHAT: Steve Case, Chairman and CEO of Revolution
1	10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Networking Break
	11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	PANEL: The Present and Future of the U.S. Cryptocurrency Industry
	11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	KEYNOTE: House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-CA)
	12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Networking Lunch
	1:15 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	PANEL: How VCs and Entrepreneurs Are Navigating Changing Immigratio Policy
	2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	FIRESIDE CHAT: SEC Chairman Jay Clayton
C	2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Networking Break
	3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	KEYNOTE: Rep. Suzan DelBene (D-W
1	3:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	PANEL: How Tax Reform Impacts VC and Entrepreneurship and What's Ne
1	4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.	PANEL: The Trump Administration Approach to Tech Policy
	5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Reception: Embassy of Canada

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#### **Thursday, May 17, 2018**

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Networking Breakfast
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. State of Play Washington, D.C.
9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. NVCA Policy Priorities

10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Meetings with Policymakers

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NEWSEUM – KNIGHT CONFERENCE CENTER

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NVCA President and CEO Bobby Franklin will bookend a busy year for NVCA, updating the membership on NVCA's

advocacy efforts from the past year and

providing a look behind the curtain at what's to come in the year ahead.

**General Session** 

9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

President's Update

9:00 A.M. - 9:15 A.M.

Bobby Franklin

## MEETING AGENDA





NVCA Board of Directors Chair **Scott Kupor** of Andreessen Horowitz will reflect on his term and offer parting words as he steps down from the board and hands off the gavel to incoming NVCA Board of Directors Chair **Alexis Borisy** of Third Rock Ventures.

#### FIRESIDE CHAT: **FDA Commissioner Scott Gottlieb**

9:30 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.





Deepa Pakianathan

FDA Commissioner **Scott Gottlieb** will participate in a fireside chat with biotechnology investor **Deepa Pakianathan** of Delphi Ventures to discuss health care policy developments that impact startups and the venture industry. Commissioner Gottlieb brings considerable experience to federal service, including as a physician, entrepreneur, and Venture Partner at NEA.

#### Steve Case, Chairman and CEO of Revolution





Steve Case

As former Co-founder of AOL, **Steve Case** is one of America's best-known and most accomplished entrepreneurs. As Chairman and CEO of Revolution, Steve launched the Rise of the Rest® tour to demonstrate that high-growth companies can start and scale anywhere. During this fireside chat with **Kim Hart**, Managing Editor of Axios, Steve will discuss his work to promote emerging ecosystems and what he sees as the key pillars of furthering the growth of ecosystems beyond the coasts.

#### **Networking Break**

10:30 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.

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#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 16 continued

#### PANEL:

## The Present and Future of the U.S. Cryptocurrency Industry

11:00 A.M. - 11:45 A.M.

Cryptocurrencies have become one of the most significant technology trends in years, with over \$4 billion raised in 2017 through ICOs alone. This panel will explore current trends in the industry, the rapidly evolving regulatory landscape, and efforts to create an effective regulatory regime to crack down on fraud and abuse while allowing the promise of underlying technology to be explored here in the U.S.

**MODERATOR: Scott Kupor**, Managing Partner at Andreessen Horowitz and Chair of the NVCA Board of Directors

#### **PANELISTS:**

- · Jerry Brito, Executive Director of Coin Center
- **Matt Mulder**, Chief Counsel and Legislative Director to Rep. Patrick McHenry (R-NC)

#### KEYNOTE: House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-CA)

11:45 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.



Rep. Kevin McCarthy

House Majority Leader **Kevin McCarthy** has been a champion of issues impacting venture capital and the entrepreneurial ecosystem through his many years in Congress and in Republican leadership. From tax reform to immigration to tech policy, Majority Leader McCarthy will discuss a wide range of issues important to the ecosystem and provide an update on what he sees around the corner on some of our most pressing issues.

#### **Networking Lunch**

12:15 P.M. - 1:15 P.M.

#### PANEL:

## How VCs and Entrepreneurs Are Navigating Changing Immigration Policy

1:15 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.

Political change in Washington has ushered in new approaches to immigration policy. This panel will examine how VCs, founders, and venture-backed companies are dealing with immigration challenges. Are venture firms offering immigration services to portfolio companies? Is immigration policy impacting how teams and/or deals are structured? How might the International Entrepreneur Rule be utilized? Have traditional visa options become more restrictive in the current environment?

MODERATOR: Jeff Farrah, General Counsel at NVCA

#### **PANELISTS:**

- **Jeff Clavier**, Founder and Managing Partner at Uncork Capital
- Ximena Hartsock, Co-founder of Phone2Action
- Carmen Palafox, Partner at Make in LA

#### FIRESIDE CHAT: SEC Chairman Jay Clayton

2:00 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.



Chairman Jay Clayton

As Chairman of the SEC, **Jay Clayton** works on many important policy issues that touch the entrepreneurial ecosystem. During this fireside chat with **Scott Kupor**, Managing Partner at Andreessen Horowitz, he will discuss the SEC's work to make the public markets more accessible to venture-backed companies and how the SEC plans to address regulation of cryptocurrencies and ICOs.

#### **Networking Break**

2:30 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

#### KEYNOTE: Rep. Suzan DelBene (D-WA)

3:00 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.



Congresswoman DelBene will discuss innovation policy and the unique perspective her over two decades of experience as a successful technology entrepreneur and business leader brings to the House and to her position on the influential House Ways and Means Committee.

Rep. Suzan DelBene

#### PANEL:

## How Tax Reform Impacts VC and Entrepreneurship and What's Next

3:30 P.M. - 4:15 P.M.

The largest tax bill in thirty years passed into law in December 2017. This panel will explore what was in the bill, which elements impact the ecosystem, and where are the next threats and opportunities in tax policy.

**MODERATOR: Justin Field**, Senior Vice President of Government Affairs at NVCA

#### **PANELISTS:**

- Steve Franklin, Partner at Gunderson Dettmer
- Jan Garfinkle, Founder and Managing Director at Arboretum Ventures
- James Markham, Global Middle Market Tax Leader at EY
- **John Talisman**, Founding Partner of Capitol Tax Partners

#### PANEL:

### The Trump Administration Approach to Tech Policy

4:15 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

The Trump Administration's approach to technology policy has differed in significant ways from that of its predecessor. Policy areas like privacy, net neutrality, spectrum, competition, immigration, cryptocurrency, patents, and government procurement stand to impact startups and investment in early-stage companies. This panel of administration officials will discuss new initiatives in these policy areas, fresh approaches to existing matters, and share their perspective on how the administration thinks about the startup ecosystem.

MODERATOR: Jeff Farrah, General Counsel at NVCA

#### PANELISTS:

- **Michael Kratsios**, Deputy Assistant to the President for Technology Policy
- **Steve Pinkos**, Deputy Assistant to the President and Director of Domestic Policy for the Vice President
- Gail Slater, Special Assistant to the President with the National Economic Council

#### Reception

**5:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.** EMBASSY OF CANADA



Join us for a reception at the Embassy of Canada for an evening of networking.



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#### **THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2018**

#### **Networking Breakfast**

8:00 A.M. - 8:30 A.M.



#### State of Play Washington, D.C.

8:30 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.





Veteran Washington strategists David Castagnetti and Bruce Mehlman will review the first year of the Trump Administration and provide an overview of what's to come for the midterm elections.

#### **NVCA Policy Priorities**

9:30 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.





will provide an overview of NVCA's positions on key policy issues

and show you the ropes of what it takes to be a successful lobbyist.



NVCA lobbyists Jeff Farrah, Justin Field and Charlotte Savercool

**Meetings with Policymakers** 

10:30 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.

After a crash course in lobbying, participate in Hill meetings with lawmakers and staff to help shape our policy agenda.



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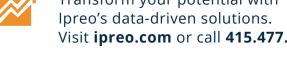
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