

As state director of NFIB Pennsylvania since 2001, Kevin Shivers has used his broad public service experience and political acumen to strengthen NFIB's reputation as one of Pennsylvania's most influential business organizations.

Shivers has nearly 20 years of experience in the state's legislative and political process. He serves as NFIB's chief Pennsylvania lobbyist and leads the organization's grassroots and political activities. Shivers and his team have worked collaboratively with two governors and the General Assembly to enact a host of new laws that have saved small employers thousands of dollars annually and protected their ability to run and grow their businesses.

Shivers directed NFIB's efforts that made health savings accounts a permanent and tax-free way for Pennsylvanians to save money to pay for medical expenses, ratified critical changes to Pennsylvania's unemployment and workers' compensation systems, and protected the rights of private property owners by enacting the nation's toughest eminent domain reforms and strengthening zoning notification requirements. Shivers also worked to make landmark changes to the state's procurement process ensuring that small-business owners have an opportunity to compete for government contracts.

Shivers is regularly quoted in Pennsylvania's major newspapers, business journals and trade magazines, and is a frequent guest on a variety of statewide television and radio programs. Before joining NFIB, Shivers was deputy press secretary for Pennsylvania governors Tom Ridge and Mark Schweiker. He previously served as press secretary in the Pennsylvania Department of State and worked in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives.

A longtime community volunteer, Shivers serves on a variety of government and community boards, including the Workers Compensation Advisory Council, the Pennsylvania Food Employee Certification Board and the board of advisors for the Harrisburg Young Professionals. Shivers is also a member of the Pennsylvania Association for Government Relations.

Shivers holds a bachelor's degree from Allegheny College in Meadville, Crawford County. He enjoys golf, running, fly-fishing and reading.