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During his tenure, Scott formulated a successful legislative strategy for NBAA's Advanced Air Mobility Roundtable, including Congressional passage of the Advanced Aviation Infrastructure Modernization Act. He also regularly represented NBAA before the Treasury Department, IRS, and state legislatures on aviation tax policy issues.

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