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Schneider graduated with honors from Bucknell University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in international relations and has a Master's degree in international affairs from Columbia University. She also studied at the Institute for European Studies in Vienna, Austria. She sits on several Boards, including the Public Affairs Council, the Organization for International Investment, the Automotive Coalition for Traffic Safety, the U.S. Capitol Historical Society and the Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce.