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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Better Markets

Mar 2025 - Present

Policy Director & COO

- Evaluate financial policy issues and engage with stakeholders at agencies, on Capitol Hill and in the media to explain and advance how developments will affect consumers, investors and the financial system
- Author fact sheets, testimony, editorials, etc. to advance the goals of Better Markets
- Supervise subject matter experts to ensure high-quality analysis is delivered to Better Markets' constituencies

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission

Jun 2021 - Jan 2025

Chief of Staff & Senior Counselor to the Chair

- Primary advisor to a Senate-confirmed Chair for a federal agency with a \$2.1 billion budget and 5,000 employees
- Provide counsel on strategy related to rulemaking and civil law enforcement matters
- Responsibility to recruit, retain and coach agency senior leaders
- Deputy for the Chair on the Financial Stability Oversight Council and other interagency working groups (ex: President's Working Group on Financial Markets, Financial and Banking Information Infrastructure Committee, White House Competition Council & AI Task Force)
- Serve as representative for the Chair in engagements with external stakeholders (ex: cabinet secretaries, members of Congress, CEOs of large market participants, trade associations, IOSCO, FSB)
- Lead the agency on crisis management, including agency response to major market events, geopolitical developments and high-profile media coverage (includes matters requiring TS/SCI security clearance)

Washington Center for Equitable Growth

Feb 2020 - Jun 2021

Policy Director

- Led a team of a dozen economists and policy researchers in execution of deliverables such as policy papers, conferences, and meetings with senior leaders in government and academia; responsible for setting goals and measuring impact
- Published policy briefs related to the economic turmoil caused by COVID-19 and its response that were quoted in major newspapers and by government leaders
- Served as a fundraising liaison in engagements with philanthropic partners, including pitching the mission of the organization and tracking accomplishments against funder goals (\$11 million net assets)

U.S. House of Representatives

Jan 2019 - Feb 2020

Chief of Staff, Rep. Katie Porter

- Established the office of a freshman Congresswoman elected in November 2018. This included hiring staff for the Washington, D.C. and district offices; developing office goals and strategy; managing relationships with other Congressional offices and key constituencies; shaping policy positions; overseeing work on the House Financial Services Committee; and building constituent casework operations
- Developed political and fundraising strategy through digital communications and relationships with PACs

U.S. Senate

Jan 2017 - Jan 2019

Policy Advisor, Committee on Banking, Housing & Urban Development

- Chief policy and strategy advisor to the Ranking Member on matters related to prudential regulation, with oversight of the Federal Reserve, FDIC, OCC and NCUA; was responsible for several nomination hearings
- Developed legislative and communications strategies for the Ranking Member, including drafting legislation, amendments, talking points and speeches
- Served as a liaison for the Senator with outside stakeholders (constituents, business leaders and advocacy organizations)

Policy Advisor to Sen. Catherine Cortez Masto

- Advised the Senator on matters related to the Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs, including drafting legislation, memorandums and suggested lines of questioning for hearings; providing vote recommendations; and vetting nominations
- Oversaw constituent engagement on financial policy matters, including representing the Senator in meetings, making scheduling recommendations and editing correspondence
- Managed junior staff including legislative correspondents, staff assistants and interns

U.S. House of Representatives

Sep 2009 - Jan 2017

Deputy Staff Director, Committee on Financial Services

- Oversaw the recruitment, hiring and development of a team of approximately 20 policy, press and support staff with a budget of over \$3 million
- Served as the Congresswoman's staff representative on the conference committee for the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010
- Advanced the Ranking Member's legislative proposals and the conduct of markups for the single most active legislative Committee in the House of Representatives in the 114th Congress (86 pieces of legislation marked-up, 76 of which received a vote on the House floor)
- Managed the Ranking Member's oversight and investigations process by coordinating response to new subpoena authority obtained by the Chairman of the Committee in the 114th Congress and overseeing review of more than 40,000 pages of documents produced in response to over 80 open investigations and 4 subpoenas

EDUCATION

Georgetown University (2008)

Master in Public Policy

State University of New York at Buffalo (2005)

Bachelor of Public Policy

Bachelor of Business Administration

OTHER

Security Clearance

Top Secret/Sensitive Compartmented Information (TS/SCI)

Biden-Harris Presidential Transition

Agency Review Team for Federal Financial Regulatory Agencies (2020-2021; volunteer position)