

AUDREY PERRY MARTIN BIO

Audrey Perry Martin, is a Partner at the Gober Group's Sacramento office. She is a national and California political law expert with over 15 years of experience. Her practice is focused on advising corporations, candidates, political action committees (PACs), political parties, and major campaign donors in the areas of political and election law.

Prior to joining The Gober Group, Audrey gained extensive knowledge and experience working at the Federal Election Commission, for Congress, a think tank, and at private law firms in Washington, D.C. and California. Most recently, she worked for the California-based firm Bell, McAndrews & Hiltachk. Audrey had previously worked as Deputy Campaign Manager and General Counsel for Insurance Commissioner Steve Poizner's 2010 California Gubernatorial race. She has extensive presidential election experience, serving as FEC counsel for McCain-Palin 2008, Deputy General Counsel for Romney for President in 2008, and as a consultant for Romney's 2012 campaign. Audrey also worked as Legal Counsel to the Committee on House Administration of the U.S. House of Representatives, where she focused on issues such as HAVA implementation, election integrity, congressional ethics, and campaign finance.

Audrey has taught election law at Brigham Young University law school and serves as the Vice President of Finance for the Republican National Lawyers Association (RNLA). Audrey has appeared on numerous media outlets, including Fox News and NPR. She received her law degree from Georgetown University Law Center and a bachelor's degree in political science and journalism from Brigham Young University.

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EXPERIENCE

PARTNER/The Gober Group, Washington, DC

February 2022 – Present

Partner at law firm specializing in political and election law. Work with corporations, governments, campaigns, political committees, nonprofits, and donors to ensure legal compliance.

VISITING FELLOW/Opportunity Solutions Project, Naples, Florida

October 2020 – Present

Policy advisor to national think tank that focuses on developing policy recommendations for state government. Review and research state and federal legislation on election law issues.

CEO & FOUNDER/Project Elect, Salt Lake City, Utah

October 2020 – Present

Founder of non-profit organization with the mission of encouraging women of faith to get involved in public service.

OF COUNSEL/Bell, McAndrews and Hiltachk, Sacramento, CA

February 2011 – February 2022

Advised federal and California political committees, candidates, corporations, and non-profit organizations in matters related to California and federal campaign finance laws and ethics issues. Specialized in federal and state election law, campaign finance laws, lobbying rules and ethics laws as well as political activity regulations.

ADJUNCT PROFESSOR/J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT

January 2018 – April 2021

Taught election law class covering campaign finance, voting, legislative districting, election administration, and political parties.

CONSULTANT/Romney for President, Inc., Boston, MA

April 2011 – November 2012

Worked as consultant for campaign during western state primaries, caucuses and conventions. Trained attorneys and volunteers on potential election issues in their states. Served as California Lawyers for Romney Co-chair; recruited attorneys to deploy to battleground states. Assisted with legal and political projects on issues ranging from ballot access, delegate selection, elector selection, UOCAVA, election integrity, and post-election planning.

DEPUTY CAMPAIGN MANAGER/GENERAL COUNSEL, Poizner for Governor 2010, Sacramento, CA

April 2009 – October 2010

Worked as number two in charge of managing and directing major California gubernatorial campaign. Served as general counsel for the campaign, responsible for approving and reviewing advertisements, press releases, web materials, fundraising invites and other campaign materials for legal compliance. Wrote, reviewed and negotiated contracts, oversaw personnel/human resources issues, training, budgeting, accounting and FPPC Reporting. Responsible for taxes, corporate filings and insurance issues.

CAMPAIGN COUNSEL, McCain-Palin 2008, Inc., Arlington, VA

May 2008 – November 2008

Responsible for compliance with federal campaign finance and ethics laws. Generally consulted campaign on fundraising and compliance strategy. Reviewed and approved TV and radio ads, and other campaign materials for legal compliance. Requested public funding from Federal Election Commission and responded to FEC complaints filed during the general election period. Advised on legal aspects of campaign advertising strategy, specializing in online fundraising strategy.

DEPUTY GENERAL COUNSEL, Romney for President, Inc., Boston, MA

May 2007 – February 2008

Worked as number two in-house legal counsel for campaign. Oversaw and worked on a full range of complex legal matters, including election law and campaign finance compliance, federal broadcasting compliance, ethics law compliance, commercial contract negotiations and transactions, government investigations, human resources, ethics training, employment issues and claims, intellectual property licensing and disputes, insurance and risk management matters, and the development and implementation of regulatory compliance materials and training programs. Generally advised strategy of campaign in legal, delegate, ballot access, campaign finance and ethics matters. Led nationwide ballot access effort, including supervising all associated legal research and spearheading 15 statewide petition drives. Worked extensively with state election officials and Secretaries of State.

ATTORNEY, Caplin & Drysdale, Washington, DC

August 2006 – May 2007

Advised political committees, candidates, corporations, and non-profit organizations in matters related to state and federal campaign finance laws and ethics issues. Practice areas included federal and state election law, campaign finance laws, lobbying rules and ethics laws as well as political activity regulations and non-profit organization political tax issues. Represented clients in matters before the Federal Election Commission and various state election boards. Established best practices for clients to ensure compliance with election, lobbying, tax, and ethics law requirements.

COUNSEL, U.S. House of Representatives, Committee on House Administration, Washington, DC

May 2005 – August 2006

Advised the Chairman and Committee staff on campaign finance, election administration, lobbying, ethics issues and legislation. Assisted the Chairman in drafting legislative proposals, including the Republican's ethics bill. Analyzed and reviewed legislation before the Committee and wrote related memoranda for the Chairman. Prepared the Chairman and Members of the Committee for hearings and floor debate on committee issues. Advised Congressional offices on campaign finance, election administration and ethics matters.

LEGAL CLERK, Federal Election Commission, Washington, DC

November 2003 – July 2004

Worked in FEC Commissioner Michael Toner's office on campaign finance issues, rulemakings, and enforcement matters.

EDUCATION

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER, Washington, DC

J.D., May 2005

- **Dean's Scholar**, 2002-2005, full-tuition academic scholarship

BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY, Provo, UT

B.A. in Political Science and Journalism, December 2001

- **Hinckley Scholar**, 1997-2001, full-ride academic scholarship

BAR ADMISSIONS

State Bar of California, December 2005.

District of Columbia Bar, May 2007.

PUBLICATIONS & MEDIA APPEARANCES

Featured on Fox News, NPR, Sky News, and several other local and international radio and television stations. Also written for publications including *The Daily Signal*, *The Daily Caller*, and *Daily Journal*.

Audrey Perry, *The Uncertain Future of the Presidential Public Financing System*, THE FEDERALIST SOCIETY'S ENGAGE, VOL. 9, ISSUE 2 (June 2008).

Audrey Perry, Various Articles, THE FIRST AMENDMENT ENCYCLOPEDIA, CQ Press, 2009, available at <https://mtsu.edu/first-amendment/search/audrey%20perry>

Audrey Perry Martin, *Political Contributions by Minors*, MONEY IN AMERICAN POLITICS: AN ENCYCLOPEDIA, edited by David A. Schultz, ABC-CLIO, June 8, 2018.

NONPROFIT BOARD SERVICE

- **Republican National Lawyers Association:** Board of Directors (2015-Present)/Vice President for Membership (2018-2019)/Vice President for Communications (2020-2021)/Vice President for Finance (2022)/ Vice President of Judicial Affairs (2023)
- **California Chapter of the Republican National Lawyers Association:** California Co-Chair (2015-2023)
- **Project Elect: Women in Public Service:** Board of Directors (2020-Present)
- **J. Reuben Clark Law Society:** Women in Law Committee of the International Board (2021-present)
- **J. Reuben Clark Law Society:** Sacramento Chapter Board of Directors (2012-present)
- **Rocklin, California Community Recognition Committee:** Appointment by City Council, 2022