Todd A. Adkins, Ph.D., J.D.

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS EXECUTIVE

CORE COMPETENCIES

- ♦ Legislation & Advocacy
- Strategic Planning
- Regulatory Affairs

♦ Public Policy

♦ Media Relations

Relationship Building

Data & Analytics

- Crisis Management
- Team Coaching & Mentoring

EXECUTIVE EXPERIENCE

The U.S. Sportsmen's Alliance

2022 - Present

Vice President, Government Affairs

Selected Achievements:

- ▶ Lead government and public affairs activities in all fifty states and the federal government.
- ▶ Manage advocacy activities among membership and supporter network.
- ▶ Direct government affairs staff to achieve key milestones of growth within initial year of placement.
- ▶ Developing new litigation arm, along with concurrent regulatory strategy to complement government and public affairs.

Montcalm Community College

2020 - Present

Social Sciences Faculty

Selected Achievements:

- ▶ Develop and deliver American Government curriculum to students in multiple modalities: in-person, pure online, and "hyflex" classes with in-person and virtual learners attending simultaneously.
- ▶ Student evaluations ranked in upper percentiles across entire curriculum in all modalities.
- ▶ Effectively serve on curriculum, assessment, and civic engagement committees.

NRA-Institute for Legislative Action

2015 - 2020

Managing Director, State & Local Affairs (2019 – 2020)

Selected Achievements:

- ▶ Led team of 25, including lobbyists, legislative assistants, and support staff, overseeing national advocacy efforts while managing eight-figure budget and efficiently deploying available PAC resources.
- ▶ Reduced double-digit attrition rate to zero during tenure, vastly increased morale, and streamlined decision-making with C-suite overhaul of all internal communication processes.

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▶ Created matrix approach to project completion by identifying key personnel across divisions while developing the support mechanisms within upper management to foster growth and efficiency.

State Director (2018 – 2019)

Selected Achievements:

- ▶ Led all public policy advocacy in a group of Southeastern states, securing passage of priority legislation within first year of taking on State Director role and ensuring 90%+ winning percentage in elections.
- ▶ Oversaw all external communications to member base of 5 million, key stakeholders, and strategic partners to ensure all media inquiries, publications, and releases were aligned to organizational objectives and utilized best practices.

Senior Policy Advisor (2017-2018)

Selected Achievements:

- ▶ Created crisis management and strategic leadership plans that allowed organization to quickly execute grassroots mobilization, education, and state association partnerships on issues impacting organizational objectives.
- ▶ Acted as primary advisor to the executive team on legislation, regulatory compliance, and upcoming policy-related threats, allowing the organization to anticipate changes and shift resources to achieve goals.

Director of Research & Information (2015-2017)

Selected Achievements:

- ▶ Utilized skillset in research and surveying to overhaul internal processes and procedures, successfully building the organization's first in-house survey platform, leading to successful messaging and fundraising refinement.
- ▶ Oversaw a staff of 10 policy writers, researchers, and communications personnel, ensuring KPI's were met or exceeded with staff retention at 100% through duration of tenure.

EDUCATION & TECHNICAL SKILLS

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science
Western Michigan University

Master of Arts in Political Science University of Notre Dame

Juris Doctorate University of Iowa **Ph.D. in Political Science** University of Notre Dame

Technical Skills

Commercial Pilot License, STATA Statistical Software, Qualtrics, Online Learning Platforms