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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

First Focus on Children / First Focus Campaign for Children President	Washington, D.C. Oct. 2006 – Present
Office of Senator Jeff Bingaman Senior Health Policy Advisor	Washington, D.C. Feb. 2001 – Oct. 2006
Office of Representative Diana DeGette Health Director/Senior Policy Advisor	Washington, D.C. Oct. 1999 – Feb. 2001
Children's Hospital Association Director of Congressional Relations	Washington, D.C. Oct. 1997 – Oct. 1999
Senate Special Committee on Aging Minority Staff Director	Washington, D.C. Feb. 1997 – Oct. 1997
Office of Senator Bob Graham Legislative Assistant	Washington, D.C. June 1993 – Feb. 1997
Texas Office of State-Federal Relations Policy Director for Health and Human Services	Washington, D.C. July 1991 – June 1993
Office of Representative Ronald D. Coleman Legislative Assistant	Washington, D.C. July 1990 – July 1991
University Medical Center Director for Intergovernmental Relations	El Paso, Texas Jan. 1987 – July 1990
Office of County Judge Pat F. O'Rourke Administrative Assistant	El Paso, Texas Sept. 1985– Dec. 1986
Office of State Representative Mary J. Polk Legislative Aide	El Paso, Texas June 1983 – Feb. 1984

EDUCATION

University:	Arizona State University M.A. in Political Psychology, 2023
	University of Maryland Global Campus B.A. in Government and Politics, 1997
	University of Texas at Austin Undergraduate Program in Government
	University of Texas at El Paso Undergraduate Honors Program, Political Science Major

PUBLICATIONS

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