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WORK EXPERIENCE

Biden For President

August 2019 – November 2020

Michigan Deputy Communications Director

Detroit, Michigan

- Crafted and executed communications strategy for the critical swing state of Michigan during the general election, winning the state by more than 140,000 votes.
- Staffed high-level principals and campaign surrogates for interviews, rallies, and public campaign stops across the state.
- Fielded press inquiries from, and managed relationships with, local and national media outlets.

Southern Regional Press Secretary

Remote (COVID-19)

- Primary press contact for the states of Ohio, Georgia, North Carolina, Texas, Maryland, and Oklahoma.
- Coordinated and drove press coverage around virtual events.
- Booked numerous high level principals and surrogates for local television interviews.

South Carolina Press Secretary

Columbia, South Carolina

- Member of the team that secured a decisive primary victory for Vice President Biden, carrying all 46 counties and catapulting him to the Democratic nomination.
- Served as an on-the-record press contact throughout the Democratic primary as part of a three person communications team in the state.
- Staffed principals and campaign surrogates for interviews, rallies, and public campaign stops across the state.

U.S. Senator Brian Schatz

July 2017 – August 2019

Deputy Press Secretary

Washington, DC

- Worked with communications and legislative staff to develop a communications plan to advance the Senator's agenda.
- Prepared and staffed the Senator for interviews, rallies, press conferences, roundtables, floor speeches, and other public events.
- Interfaced with the Senator and senior staff to produce content for an active press shop.

Press Assistant

Washington, DC

- Compiled the Senator's daily press clips and wrote press releases and statements.
- Managed the Senator's digital platforms, including Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and the office website.
- Gathered and distilled information on a wide range of issues, including health care, tax policy, climate change, net neutrality, and foreign policy for the use of the communications team.

U.S. Senate Democratic Leader Charles Schumer

February – July 2017

Leadership Office Press Intern

Washington, DC

- Composed daily press briefings for the Senate Democratic Leader and his national press team.
- Compiled social media roundups, daily mentions of the Senator, and minutes of communications team meetings.
- Attended and recorded numerous press conferences and interviews.

U.S. Congressman Charles B. Rangel

September – December 2016

Press Intern

Washington, DC

- Drafted press statements, press clippings, talking points, social media posts, op-eds, and the weekly newsletter.
- Led the maintenance of websites, social media platforms, and the office communications calendar.
- Answered phone calls, addressed constituent concerns, and greeted visitors.

U.S. Senate Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs Committee

February – June 2016

Press Intern

Washington, DC

- Worked with Senator Tom Carper's personal and committee press staffs in an active Senate press office.
- Compiled daily clips and drafted press releases, weekly e-newsletters, social media posts, and floor speeches.
- Regularly maintained press contacts, websites, and prepared for weekly committee hearings.

VOLUNTEER WORK

- Assisted with poll protection and canvassed for Senator Jon Tester's 2018 reelection campaign.
- Volunteered for *Hillary for America* during 2016 president election.
- Canvassed for the 2012 Barack Obama presidential campaign in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

EDUCATION

Franklin and Marshall College - Lancaster, PA

Bachelor of Arts

Major: Government

Minor: Psychology

Study abroad: New York University - Florence, Italy

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