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### **Top Skills**

Congress Policy Analysis Legislative Relations

Honors-Awards AUSN Legislative Advocacy Award

# Patricia Ross

Assistant Secretary Washington, District of Columbia, United States

# Experience

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Assistant Secretary of Congressional & Legislative Affairs July 2021 - Present (2 years 4 months) Washington, District of Columbia, United States

U.S. House of Representatives 10 years 5 months

Senior Policy Advisor, Office of the Speaker August 2011 - July 2021 (10 years) Washington D.C. Metro Area

Agriculture, Food & Nutrition Education Labor & Workforce Development Veterans Affairs & Military Families

Office of Congressman Jim McDermott March 2011 - July 2011 (5 months) Washington D.C. Metro Area

7th District of Washington

Bryan Cave LLP Special Assistant to Bryan Cave Strategies March 2009 - February 2011 (2 years) Washington D.C. Metro Area

- Promoted twice to this role from temporary staff and Government Relations Assistant.

- Managed daily operations for Executive Committee Member and Head of Government Affairs Group and two principals.

- Responsible for scheduling, travel, billing and client outreach.

- Assisted with fundraisers, events, business development and marketing initiatives.

- Reported daily on legislative, client and political activity.

Obama for America/Environment America

Field Organizer July 2008 - December 2008 (6 months) Colorado, Pennsylvania, and Ohio

- Transitioned from volunteer to field organizer between Obama for America and Environment America's campaign arm, Work for Progress

- Relocated to Denver, Colorado Spring, Philadelphia, Allentown, Cincinnati and Columbus to advocate for candidate via door-to-door and phone banking efforts

- Recruited and trained volunteers to canvass and phone bank

- Participated in opening, merging and closing field offices in various locations

- Co-led planning and supervising of field operations on Election Day in Park Hill neighborhood of Denver, Colorado

Thomas & Thomas LLP Paralegal February 2007 - June 2008 (1 year 5 months) Cincinnati, Ohio, United States

Hamilton County, Ohio Seasongood & Mayer Fellow June 2006 - December 2006 (7 months) Cincinnati, Ohio Area

- Performed budget and policy research for Tax and Levy Committee,

Competition and Efficiency Committee, Jail Task Force

- Researched and contributed to comprehensive analysis for City-County Jail Task Force

- Co-authored and researched for countywide "Fresh Ideas" policy to encourage and reward county workers for presenting ways to improve the workplace and county government

#### John Kerry for President

Campus Co-Director at the College of Wooster July 2004 - November 2004 (5 months)

- Volunteered and led student voter registration drive and GOTV efforts in Wayne County and region for 2004 Presidential election

## Education

The College of Wooster BA, Political Science & Art History · (2002 - 2006)

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