

ARUNA KALYANAM

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Directly and deeply involved in all major tax legislation before the United States Congress from 2005 until present, working with Ways and Means Committee Members, Senate Finance Committee Members, Congressional Leadership, Administration officials, and relevant stakeholders to incorporate and balance priorities in a fiscally responsible manner. Over two decades of experience in enacting bills from the beginning of the Committee process through the Conference process and through signing into law, from consensus packages reflecting Member priorities to spearheading legislative opposition.

EXPERIENCE

House Committee on Ways and Means

February 2001 – Present

Deputy Chief Tax Counsel

Staff Director, Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures

Previous: Professional Staff Member, Subcommittee on Social Security

Committee Activity:

- Prepare and coordinate Committee and Subcommittee hearings, including message development, witness selection, background material preparation, and amendment coordination
- Real-time response to Member inquiries during Committee markups and other Committee business
- Provide swift analysis of legislation, including interaction with other provisions of the tax code and potential unintended consequences
- Craft tax packages in coordination with Committee Members and staff, Senate Finance Committee Members and staff, House and Senate Legislative Counsel, and Congressional Leadership
- Collaborate with Democratic Committee staff on tax- and non-tax issues

Congressional Activity:

- Prepare background and external materials for and manage debate during Floor consideration of legislation
- Shepherd legislation through Rules Committee consideration
- Present to House Democratic Caucus Member and Staff Meetings
- Support House Democratic Members on their tax policy priorities

External Activity:

- Coordinate with Executive Branch under both Democratic and Republican Administrations (including officials from the Department of Treasury, White House, National Economic Council, Council of Economic Advisors, Internal Revenue Service)
- Interact extensively with issue advocates, including coordination with relevant advocacy groups, coalitions, and lobbyists
- Prepare supporting legislative documents, including legislative summaries and public documents
- Delivered professional presentations on tax policy to dozens of academic, university, think tank, business, trade association, and news organizations

Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction
Tax Counsel

August 2011 – November 2011

- Prepared and presented information for JSCDR Democratic Members
- Requested and presented revenue estimates
- Negotiated language and specific revenue targets

Office of Congressman Charles B. Rangel (D-NY)
Legislative Aide and Staff Assistant

September 1999 – February 2001

- Monitored legislation pertinent to the Congressman
- Handled New York Delegation issues
- Coordinated with Ways and Means Committee Staff
- Offered support services to the Congressman

EDUCATION

American University, Washington College of Law
Juris Doctorate

May 2007

Washington University in St. Louis
Bachelor of Arts in Spanish Literature, *magna cum laude*

May 1999

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Tax Coalition
Co-chairperson, Public Sector, 2018, 2010
Member of the Board, 2014-2015
- Stuart Family Congressional Fellow,
Hoover Institution, Stanford University;

2006-Present

August 2016; August 2018