

## SIRFARAZ PIRACHA

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The White House, Washington, D.C.

September 2021-Present

*Associate for Research, Office of Presidential Personnel*

- Serving in a full time volunteer capacity in The White House associates program providing support to research needs of the Office of Presidential Personnel.
- Drafting complex vetting reports on candidates under consideration for both Senate and non-Senate confirmable roles within the Administration.
- Participating in long form interviews with candidates aiding in questioning, clarifications, and gathering of relevant information to inform research memos.

Department of the Treasury, Office of the State Treasurer, Trenton, NJ

January 2018-September 2021

*Special Assistant, Office of the State Treasurer, Administration of Governor Philip D. Murphy*

- Appointee for the Governor of New Jersey with a portfolio that includes: special projects, policy, regulations, and management of Treasury divisions.
- Aided in the design of the New Jersey FY2019, FY2020, FY2021 \$40 billion dollar and larger budgets, tasks included: policy recommendations, stakeholder management and research design.
- Managed outside stakeholder group engagements during budget discussions to evaluate potential funding opportunities.
- Created operations workflows for small businesses and individuals to receive economic relief due to economic challenges presented by COVID-19.
- Served as a member of the American Rescue Plan working group to create procedures around the disbursement of potential funds.
- Monitored use of state and federal COVID-19 relief funds and made initial determinations on the use of funds for various programs.
- Drafted reports explaining the use of funds of the American Rescue Plan within New Jersey for the United States Department of Treasury.
- Liaised with government departments to determine budget changes based on policy direction set by the Governor's Office.
- Coordinated the administration's outreach to the Muslim community providing guidance on policy issues, public engagements and stakeholder initiatives.

Biden-Harris Transition Team, Washington, D.C.

October 2020-January 2021

*Volunteer Vetter and Researcher, Office of General Counsel*

- Worked with research staff to deliver short and long form research products for nominees across all levels for the Biden-Harris Administration.
- Advised transition team members on findings from research and worked to supplement information whenever needed.
- Drafted high level memos for senior officials to provide concerns, challenges, and potential messaging issues related to candidates at the Cabinet level.

Transition2018, Trenton, NJ

November 2017-January 2018

*Personnel Staff, Office of Governor-Elect, Philip D. Murphy*

- Worked in conjunction with senior transition staff to source, and vet candidates for roles in the administration of Governor Phil Murphy.
- Researched candidates for positions within the government using public records, social media and open source materials.
- Engaged stakeholder groups to ensure that a diverse pool of candidates were in consideration for full time and board opportunities.

Victory 2017 & Murphy for Governor, Newark, NJ

September 2017-November 2017

*Outreach Coordinator and Advisor*

- Developed and executed strategies to engage the Muslim and AAPI communities for the 2017 election cycle in New Jersey to elect Governor Murphy.
- Managed a portfolio of policy roll out events, surrogate appearances and direct community meetings with Governor Murphy to broaden his statewide profile.
- Staffed Governor Murphy at small and large events across New Jersey, providing pre-meeting briefings and on site coordination.

Contactually, Washington, D.C.

January 2015-July 2015

*Small & Medium Business Account Executive*

- Engaged in sales and business development efforts aimed at closing business from small to medium sized companies for the Contactually software tool.
- Researched target companies, focused on extracting relevant data points and analytics from many sources to create a strategy for acquiring new business.
- Developed criteria for tracking inbound and outbound interest in the Contactually tool aiding in the design of Salesforce to meet the business goals.

Javelin & Lean Startup Machine New York, NY

March 2013-November 2014

*Europe, and Asia Engagement & Strategy Manager*

- Managed entrepreneurial training programs for audiences across the globe allowing local leaders to train their communities on starting technology companies.
- Oversaw all strategy for operations in Europe, and Asia navigating local challenges to bring training operations to these regions.
- Implemented analytics testing tools in order to test website performance, engagement rates, and click through rates on websites in various regions.

Victory 2012 & Kaine for Virginia, Alexandria, VA

August 2012-November 2012

*Political Outreach Coordinator to Senator Tim Kaine of Virginia*

- Created events for Senator Tim Kaine to out and engage Muslim and minority communities across the Commonwealth of Virginia in his bid for U.S. Senate.
- Advised senior staff and Senator Kaine on strategy to enhance engagements with key constituencies groups targeted for the election.

New Brunswick Islamic Center, North Brunswick, NJ

January 2012-August 2012

*Strategy and Fundraising Consultant*

- Provided strategic management to expand programmatic, philanthropic and membership growth of a 1,000 member community organization.

- Raised over \$250,000 over an 8 month period to help in growing the strength of the organization and leading to the organization's expansion.

Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, Washington, D.C

September 2011-December 2011

*Research and Rapid Response Fall Intern*

- Worked with senior DCCC officials to collaborate on research projects focusing on long term opposition research as well as rapid response information.
  - Monitored a variety of sources to gather the most relevant information on opposition candidates which included public records and media statements.
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Education:

Rutgers University

B.A, Political Science, 2011, M.A., Political Science and Foreign Policy, 2017

Other Activities: Helped launch a micro angel investing group in 2013, Clippership International, involvement ended in 2015.