

Native affairs; housing; public health; social services; government-to-government consultation, and; public, congressional, tribal, and state relations.

Draft and edit written materials for the Secretary of the Interior, Assistant Secretary, and senior staff, including: information and decision memoranda, congressional testimony, talking points, press statements, letters, newsletters, brochures, media ads, and various internal communications.

First Americans Public Liaison, Office of the President Elect, Obama-Biden Transition Team, Washington, DC (November 2008 – January 2009)

Coordinated efforts with senior transition staff, Agency Review Teams, Policy Teams, and Indian Country to write the Indian Transition Plan for the incoming Administration; Advised Transition Team on political and policy issues, including: presidential appointments, public safety, education, economic and energy development, natural resources, federal recognition, tax, Alaska Native concerns, housing, transportation, agriculture, historic preservation, trust reform and litigation, gaming, labor, health, social services, water rights, and international indigenous rights; coordinated outreach efforts with tribes, tribal organizations, and other stakeholders.

First Americans Vote Director, Obama for America, Chicago, IL (Summer 2007; May 2008 – November 2008)

Directed Obama for America's Native American campaign strategy resulting in record setting Native American voter turnout and participation rates. Duties included: development of Native American policy platform; coordination of political, field, and media activities; drafted memoranda and talking points for candidate Obama; managed over 10 staff and hundreds of volunteers throughout Indian country.

Summer Associate, Perkins Coie, LLP, Washington, DC (Summer 2006)

Drafted legal memoranda on issues pertaining to federal and state campaign law, civil procedure, and tribal land claims; Updated report on renewable energy portfolio standards; Provided analysis on case law for antitrust matter; Provided research analysis for Supreme Court Amicus Brief in the case of *Massachusetts v. EPA*.

Legislative Assistant for Government Affairs, Olsson, Frank and Weeda, P.C., Washington, DC (January 2005 – May 2005)

Assisted and advised clients in developing strategies for advocacy before Congress and the Administration, including the Department of Interior, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and Department of Justice; Monitored, researched and analyzed legislation concerning appropriations, agriculture, and Indian affairs.