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## **Top Skills**

Public Policy Politics Policy Analysis

# Antwaun Griffin

Accomplished Executive and Small Business Advocate Washington DC-Baltimore Area

# Summary

Antwaun Griffin is a strategic thinker and executive with extensive experience in international trade, government affairs, public affairs, and political operations.

# Experience

Amazon Business General Manager, Socially Responsible Purchasing May 2022 - Present (1 year 4 months) Arlington, Virginia, United States

U.S. Small Business Administration Chief Of Staff April 2021 - August 2022 (1 year 5 months)

U.S. Department of Commerce Senior Advisor January 2021 - April 2021 (4 months) Washington, District of Columbia, United States

Democratic National Committee Senior Advisor September 2020 - November 2020 (3 months) Washington, District of Columbia, United States

### Penn & Broad Partners

Founder October 2016 - September 2020 (4 years)

Penn & Broad is a boutique consultancy offering strategic guidance and executive direction to organizations in the private, public and non-profit sectors.

International Trade Administration Deputy Assistant Secretary

#### May 2012 - September 2016 (4 years 5 months) Washington DC

Helps shape the Administration's trade promotion and economic policy. Works with U.S. businesses and localities to increase exports, access to global markets and foreign direct investment. Manages the day-to-day operations of 100+ U.S. Export Assistance Centers whose staff work closely with small businesses to develop global growth strategies and access key export markets.

# U.S. Small Business Administration Senior Advisor

September 2009 - August 2012 (3 years)

Served as the primary liaison between the Obama Administration and SBA's 114 Regional, District, and Branch Offices. Coordinated and communicated policies, guidelines and operating procedures for the day-to-day management and operations of all U.S. field offices. Planned and implemented a strategic staff and office reorganization as well as ongoing efforts to leverage information technology to further the agency's mission.

Presidential Inaugural Committee Event Manager 2008 - 2009 (1 year)

Managed the First Division of the 2009 Presidential Inaugural Parade. The Parade's first division included over one thousand marchers representing 100+ organizations.

Obama for America Georgia State Director July 2008 - November 2008 (5 months)

Served as the head of the Obama campaign in Georgia, the nation's 7th largest state. Developed and executed a comprehensive campaign plan while managing a \$6 million dollar operating budget and staff of roughly 200 spread across 45 field offices. Served regularly as an "on the record" source for local and statewide media.

• Managed all aspects of day-to-day campaign operations in a targeted Presidential battleground state.

• Oversaw the staffing and administration of all departments including (but not limited to) communications, political, field, scheduling, and operations.

• Participated in regular conference calls with national and regional campaign consultants and other senior campaign staff in HQ.

### America Votes National Political Director November 2007 - July 2008 (9 months)

Served as chief political liaison for coalition of the nation's largest issue-based membership organizations working collaboratively to develop a permanent grassroots infrastructure within the progressive community. Worked with the senior political staff of over 42 national and more than 260 state-based political and advocacy organizations to ensure that all political and non-profit campaign investments – human and financial – were aggregated and coordinated based on a joint collaborative planning process.

## Chris Dodd for President Regional Political/Constituency Director March 2007 - October 2007 (8 months)

• Managed and implemented the campaign's political and strategic goals in 14 Southern states.

• Lobbied Members of Congress, DNC members, state and local elected officials for political support. Served as a liaison for endorsers, Democratic state party leadership, business leaders, and grassroots organizations.

• Wrote political briefings and event memos for the Senator, Mrs. Dodd and other senior surrogates.

- Planned and organized events for voter contact and outreach.
- Researched issues for the political briefing book and debate prep sessions when necessary.

• Staffed the candidate and surrogates during debates, candidates' forums and political trips.

Bobby Scott For Congress Campaign Manager April 2004 - December 2004 (9 months) Richmond, Virginia, United States

John Edwards for President 2004 Virginia and Ohio Political Director 2003 - 2004 (1 year)

## Education

University of Virginia

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies · (1993 - 1997)