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Top Skills

Legal Research

Research

Public Speaking

Languages

Spanish

Honors-Awards

National Hispana Leadership Institute- Latina's Learning to Lead Fellow

Council on Legal Education Fellow/Scholar

Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities Fellow

Young Champion of Justice Award

Las Primeras Award

Publications

A chance to address racial inequality at its roots; Undoing exclusionary zoning codes a key step forward

Early College checks a lot of boxes; Prepares students, yields bug ROI and addresses equity gaps

Juana B. Matias

Regional Administrator for HUD New England. Mission driven executive. With extensive management, leadership, and public policy experience.

Greater Boston

Experience

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Regional Administrator- New England (CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, VT)

April 2022 - Present (1 year 6 months)

Boston, Massachusetts

President Biden Appointee.

MassINC

Chief Operating Officer

April 2019 - January 2023 (3 years 10 months)

Greater Boston Area

MassINC is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization that uses research, polling, journalism, and civic engagement to advance public policies that promote growth and vitality in the Commonwealth.

New Politics

Senior Fellow

January 2019 - April 2019 (4 months)

Greater Boston Area

Engaged in personal and collective leadership development. Worked on a research project which examined extreme aging and declining birth rates in the United States and advanced our need to recognize that our immigrant population is essential in ensuring our country's economic growth and stability.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

State Representative 16th Essex District (Lawrence)

January 2017 - December 2018 (2 years)

24 Beacon Street, Boston MA 02133

Represented the 16th Essex District (City of Lawrence) in the Massachusetts House of Representatives.

Member of the following Committees:

Joint Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure

Joint Committee on Labor and Workforce Development

Joint Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security
House Committee on Personnel and Administration

Juana Matias for Congress
Candidate for the United States Congress
October 2017 - September 2018 (1 year)
Lawrence, Massachusetts

Candidate for Massachusetts 3rd Congressional District.

Community Legal Aid
Justice AmeriCorps Advocate
December 2014 - November 2015 (1 year)
Worcester, MA

Represented unaccompanied minors in removal proceedings in Boston Immigration Court, and before USCIS, through the Justice AmeriCorps program, a joint initiative of the Department of Justice and AmeriCorps.

Pavel Payano for State Senate
Campaign Manager
November 2013 - September 2014 (11 months)
Lawrence, MA

Oversaw all aspects of the campaign including day-to-day operations, hiring and management of staff, campaign fundraising and bilingual field strategy.

Suffolk University Law School - Immigration Clinic
3:03 Certified Student Attorney
September 2013 - May 2014 (9 months)
Boston, MA

Defended immigrants against removal from the United States before the Boston Immigration Court, litigating complex applications for relief.

Suffolk County District Attorney's Office
3:03 Certified Student Prosecutor
May 2013 - May 2014 (1 year 1 month)
Chelsea District Court

Completed court appearances, argued bail requests, motions, trials and drafted pleadings, memos, and discovery requests, under the supervision of Assistant District Attorney.

Greater Boston Legal Services

Student Intern - Low Income Tax Clinic

January 2013 - May 2013 (5 months)

197 Friend St., Boston MA, 02114

Represented low income tax payers in various federal and state tax controversies with the IRS and DOR.

J. Sagar Associates

Summer Student Associate

May 2012 - August 2012 (4 months)

Bangalore, India

Student Associate with J.Sagar Associates --- Bangalore, India location.

Children's Services of Roxbury, Inc.

Child Specific Social Worker

August 2009 - August 2011 (2 years 1 month)

Tewksbury, MA

Provided social services and assistance to improve the social and psychological functioning of neglected, abandoned, and abused children under the care of the Department of Children & Families.

Suffolk County District Attorney's Office

Legal Intern

September 2008 - February 2009 (6 months)

Suffolk Superior Court

Massachusetts State House

Intern for Governor Deval Patrick's Executive Office

May 2008 - September 2008 (5 months)

Boston, MA

Education

Suffolk University Law School

Doctor of Law (J.D.), Law · (2011 - 2014)

University of Massachusetts Boston

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Dual Major: Political Science and Government/

Criminal Justice · (2005 - 2009)

Hessen International Summer University (ISU), Hochschule Fulda,
Germany

Bachelor's degree, Political Science and Government · (2007 - 2007)

University of Marburg- Hessen International Summer University
(ISU), Marburg, Germany

Bachelor's degree, Political Science and Government · (2006 - 2006)