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Government affairs and public policy leader with 18 years of experience across the White House, Congress, the U.S. Department of Labor, and Texas energy regulation. Advises senior officials on legislative and regulatory strategy, energy infrastructure, and stakeholder engagement.

Professional Experience

Aug 2021 – Present

Director of Public Affairs

Railroad Commission of Texas – Office of Commissioner Jim Wright

- Regulatory Strategy & Executive Advising: Advise Commissioner Wright on regulatory decisions and state energy initiatives, assessing environmental, economic, and operational implications to inform policy positions and public communications. Portfolio includes produced water recycling, subsurface overpressurization, orphan and inactive well plugging, and carbon capture and storage (Class VI primacy).
- Interagency & Legislative Coordination: Engage state and federal agencies, including the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Public Utility Commission, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, as well as legislative bodies, to align priorities on energy regulation.
- Industry & Stakeholder Engagement: Prepare presentations and talking points for policy forums and trade association events, including the Texas Oil & Gas Association (TXOGA), Texas Chemistry Council, Texas Pipeline Association, and Texas Independent Producers & Royalty Owners Association (TIPRO).
- Strategic Communications: Serve as chief spokesperson and strategic communications leader for Commissioner Wright, directing media relations, public outreach, and official statements on state oil and gas regulation and energy infrastructure.
- Media Relations & Content Creation: Author press releases, media advisories, speeches, op-eds, social media messaging, and official statements.

Jan 2020 – Jan 2021

Southwest Regional Representative

U.S. Department of Labor – Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs

- Regional Executive Representation: Served as the official representative for U.S. Secretary of Labor Eugene Scalia across Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Arkansas.
- Intergovernmental Liaison: Acted as primary liaison between national agency leadership, state governors, elected officials, civic organizations, and regional business leaders.
- COVID-19 Response: Led rapid outreach to regional stakeholders on federal COVID-19 emergency regulations, workplace guidance, and statutory relief programs.
- Secretarial Travel & Public Strategy: Planned the Secretary's visits across the five-state region, selecting locations and community leaders to highlight administration policy initiatives.

Oct 2017 – Dec 2019

Legislative Officer

U.S. Department of Labor – Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs

- Legislative Strategy: Advised agency leadership in formulating and implementing the Department's legislative agenda on Capitol Hill. Reviewed legislative proposals, post-hearing questions, statutory reports, and oversight inquiries.
- Senate Confirmation Management: Guided presidential nominees through the Senate confirmation process, coordinating issue flagging, introductory meetings, mock hearings, testimony preparation, and post-hearing clearance with OMB.
- Agency Portfolio Oversight: Managed relations with House and Senate authorizing and appropriations committees, focusing on OSHA, MSHA, the Wage and Hour Division, and the Employee Benefits Security Administration.

Mar 2017 – Oct 2017

Deputy Assistant to the Vice President

Deputy Director for House Legislative Affairs
Office of Vice President Mike Pence – The White House

- White House Executive Outreach: Served as an initial point of contact for Members of Congress and congressional leadership, aligning administration policy with Capitol Hill priorities.
- Executive Briefings & Representation: Represented the Vice President at House leadership and conference meetings; authored background materials, meeting briefs, and decision memoranda.
- Strategic Execution: Formulated legislative outreach strategies in close coordination with White House Legislative Affairs, House leadership, and committee chairs.

Jul 2015 – Mar 2017

Legislative Director

U.S. House of Representatives – Rep. Peter Roskam (IL-06)

- Policy Team Leadership: Supervised a five-person legislative staff, directing policy formation, committee operations, and legislative initiatives.
- Ways & Means Committee Portfolio: Led policy work on key committee priorities, including comprehensive healthcare reform and international trade agreements.
- Constituent Analytics: Used district polling data and quantitative analysis to measure legislative initiative success and align the legislative agenda with constituent priorities.

Nov 2010 – Jun 2015
Sep 2008 – Nov 2010

Legislative Assistant
Legislative Correspondent / Staff Assistant

U.S. House of Representatives – Rep. Jeb Hensarling (TX-05)

- Enacted Federal Legislation: Drafted and managed H.R. 5872, the Sequestration Transparency Act (P.L. 112-155), through congressional passage and enactment.
- Congressional Operations: Authored materials on constituent engagement for the House Majority Leader's *Hit the Ground Running* manual for incoming Members of Congress.
- Policy Expertise: Served as the primary legislative advisor on appropriations, tax policy, trade, entitlements, and transportation.

Education

Texas Tech University

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, Minor in Communications

Selected Op-Eds & Commentary

Primary author of the following op-eds, published under Commissioner Jim Wright's byline.

Aug 2021 — **"Reduce Emissions and Fix the Grid by Incentivizing Better Natural Gas Infrastructure"**
Houston Chronicle

Jan 2022 — **"Oil, Water, Earthquakes and Opportunities"**
Dallas Morning News / World Oil

Aug 2022 — **"Time for Texas to Address our Orphan Well Problem"**
Dallas Morning News

Aug 2024 — **"RRC has made progress on Texas Earthquakes"**
Dallas Morning News

Nov 2024 — **"Trump Can Save Tax Dollars by Fixing Biden's Energy, Environmental Failures"**
The Washington Times

Authored Testimony

Jul 2024 — **U.S. House Natural Resources Committee**
Authored state regulatory testimony on the federal orphan well grant program and H.R. 7053, proposing reforms to improve program efficiency.

Jul 2026 — **Texas Senate Natural Resources Committee**
Authored testimony on Permian Basin produced water management, long-term costs, and recycling opportunities for water-intensive industries.