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EXPERIENCE

Office of Mayor Miro Weinberger, Burlington, VT

Chief of Staff, July 2013 – present

Assistant to the Mayor, April 2012 – June 2013

Serve as liaison to City Departments and their Directors, as well as to the City Council, State, and Federal government contacts. Act as communications director for the Mayor's Office, as well as advisor to City Departments on communications and media matters. Represent the Mayor's Office in communications with the general public. Staff the Mayor at internal City meetings and external community events. Speak on behalf of the Mayor at community events. Connect the Mayor's Office with the public and the media to foster open government by developing and managing communications tools that facilitate transparency.

Miro for Mayor Campaign, Burlington, VT

Communications & Finance Director, January – March 2012

Developed and implemented campaign's general election communications strategy. Communicated with print, television, and radio media as campaign's spokesperson. Advised candidate and campaign advisors on handling of media issues. Coordinated operation of campaign's facebook page and website. Coordinated media components of public events. Managed campaign operating budget, fundraising, and campaign finance reporting.

Jvillage Network, Burlington, VT

President, March 2009 – January 2012

Guided overall strategy – in concert with board of directors – of start-up technology company that engages and grows the membership communities of synagogues and other Jewish non-profits by designing and building interactive websites and by helping the organizations fully leverage the technology that comes with their new websites. Created and managed sales and marketing processes that resulted in building a community of 100+ member organizations. Served as public face of company as presenter and exhibitor at Jewish communal conferences and workshops throughout North America.

Ohavi Zedek Synagogue, Burlington, VT

Executive Director, September 2007 – March 2009

Managed daily affairs, finances and staff of 375-family congregation with \$725,000 budget. Balanced and met needs of congregants, clergy and board of directors. Developed and implemented fundraising strategies to meet annual budget and capital campaign goals. Created and executed plan to increase membership and active involvement of existing members. Supervised and edited monthly and weekly newsletters.

Temple Emanu-El, Birmingham, AL

Executive Director, August 2005 – July 2007

Managed daily affairs, finances and staff of 700-family congregation with \$1.6 million budget.

Political and Communications Consultant, Birmingham, AL

Self-Employed Consultant, February – August 2005

Researched legislative issues and wrote press releases, opinion pieces and talking points for clients, including Alabama House of Representatives Democratic Caucus and Alabama Democratic Party.

Alabama Democratic Party, Montgomery, AL

Executive Director, December 2003 – February 2005

Managed daily party operations, including paid staff of five and volunteers. Crafted and managed \$1.5 million budget. Created and implemented fundraising strategy. Developed message and media plan. Served as spokesperson with print, television and radio media.

Appalachian Trail Hike for Kids, Georgia to Maine

Thru-hiker, March 25 – October 11, 2003

Hiked entire 2,172.6-mile Appalachian Trail with my wife. Raised \$42,000 for Child Welfare League of America to help abused and neglected children. Received CWLA's *Champions for Children Award*.

State of Alabama, Office of the Governor, Montgomery, AL

Director of Communications/Press Secretary, June 2002 – January 2003

Deputy Press Secretary, February – June 2002

Served as member of governor's Cabinet. Developed and implemented administration's communications strategy. Communicated with print, television and radio media as governor's spokesperson. Advised governor, Cabinet members and agency public information officers on handling of media issues. Supervised governor's office website. Coordinated media components of public events. Managed staff of seven.

U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Attorney's Office, Middle District of Alabama, Montgomery, AL

Assistant U.S. Attorney, Criminal Division, February 2000 – February 2002

Engaged in all aspects of federal criminal prosecutions, including investigating and building cases with federal, state, and local law enforcement agents, presenting cases to grand juries, trying cases before juries and orally arguing cases before a federal court of appeals.

U.S. District Court, Middle District of Alabama, Montgomery, AL

Judicial Law Clerk, Honorable Ira DeMent, U.S. District Judge, November 1998 – February 2000

Researched legal issues and drafted opinions in civil and criminal cases for federal judge.

Joe Turnham for Congress, Third Congressional District of Alabama, Auburn, AL

Campaign Manager, February – November 1998

Crafted and executed campaign strategy. Promoted candidate through media. Managed paid and volunteer staff.

New Jersey Democratic Party, Trenton, NJ

Finance Director, November 1996 – February 1998

Managed state party operating budget, fundraising and daily headquarters operations. Provided legal counsel to state party.

Clinton/Gore New Jersey Coordinated Campaign, New Brunswick, NJ

Deputy Comptroller, August – November 1996

Worked with comptroller in all phases of campaign finance compliance and fundraising.

Lum, Danzis, Drasco, Positan & Kleinberg, Roseland, NJ

Litigation Associate, October 1995 – August 1996; *Clerk*, Summer 1993

Appeared in New Jersey and New York federal and state courts. Researched and drafted motions and briefs.

Superior Court of New Jersey, Criminal Division, Newark, NJ

Judicial Law Clerk, Honorable Theodore A. Winard, Superior Court Judge, August 1994 – August 1995

Researched legal issues and drafted memoranda in preparation for and during criminal jury trials.

EDUCATION

Fordham University School of Law, New York, NY, Juris Doctor, May 1994. *Dean's List*.

Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH, Bachelor of Arts in Government, June 1990. *Cum laude*.

Tel Aviv University, Ramat Aviv, Israel, Overseas Student Program, Fall 1988.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

RunVermont, Board Member of host organization of Vermont City Marathon and other community area races. Summer 2012 – present

Ohavi Zedek Synagogue, Member of new Rabbi Search Committee, Spring 2014 – present

Hands-On Nature, Vermont Institute of Natural Sciences, Shelburne Community School, kindergarten to second grade classroom volunteer, 2010-11, 2011-12, 2014-15 school years.

Dartmouth College Alumni Council, Class of 1990 Representative, 2008 – 2011