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Seeking a full time position in a government relations capacity which offers opportunities to strategize and work collaboratively with dynamic people in achieving beneficial community results

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Political Science Instructor, Westfield State University, Westfield, MA
(September 2011 to Present)

- Teach a courses in American Government and Politics with a focus on connecting students to the impact government has on their everyday lives
- Acquaint students with national and state policy making processes and encourage them to be active, informed, participants in those processes.

Consultant and Legal Advisor, MIRA Associates, Longmeadow, MA
(September 2008 to Present)

- Identify potential development opportunities for clients to rehabilitate existing housing and historic buildings into affordable housing units
- Collaborate with clients in devising strategies which establish a productive working relationship with local and state government decision makers
- Provide counsel and representation to clients before local boards and licensing authorities

Political Science Instructor, University of Massachusetts Lowell, Lowell, MA (January 2005 to June 2010)

- Taught courses in-class and online related to American government and politics on an adjunct basis to undergraduate students
- Developed and taught a course on Political Participation featuring student collaboration on creating political campaign plans, campaign media, and community activism

- Organized guest speakers and presented forums on issues in collaboration with department colleagues on polling analysis, running for office, economic development

Legislative Agent/Senior Attorney, Donoghue, Barrett and Singal, P.C.
Boston, MA (January 1995 to April 1999)

- Advised corporate and non-profit clients. Devised effective legal, political and communications strategies at a law/lobbying firm specializing in health care, communications, and regulatory issues
- Advocated on clients behalf before legislative, executive and regulatory bodies
- Participated in strategy and coalition building with business groups, and trade associations having similar interests on state and local issues

State Representative, Massachusetts General Court, Boston, MA (January 1983 to December 1994)

- Campaigned and elected to six successive terms in the State Legislature
- Advocated and represented the varied interests of seven suburban and rural communities in Western Massachusetts
- Appointed by colleagues to leadership positions as Committee Chair of two joint legislative committees
- Authored and secured passage of laws related to consumer protection, child abuse prevention, and economic development
- Member of national legislative associations which worked at finding solutions to common state issues and maintain effective federal relations

EDUCATION

Juris Doctor, Suffolk University Law School, Boston, MA, 1988;

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, St. Anselm College, Manchester, N.H., 1978

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Member, Rotary International, Annapolis, MD

Member, Commodore Barry Ancient Order of Hibernians, Annapolis, MD

Former Member, Planning Board, Town of North Andover, MA