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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Public policy and social impact executive with over 10 years of experience directing capital deployment, program investment, and policy strategy across public, corporate, and government organizations. Advises the President of Maryland's technology development authority on venture investment and grantmaking strategy. Track record includes shaping a \$1.48 billion state revenue package, securing \$500 million in recurring infrastructure appropriations across three jurisdictions, and administering a \$10 million advocacy investment portfolio across 35 partner organizations.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Director of Investment Operations

2026 - Present

Maryland Technology Development Corporation (TEDCO)

- Advise the President on strategy and capital deployment across TEDCO's venture investment and grantmaking programs, including venture development, seed funding, and federal innovation programs spanning Maryland's technology ecosystem.
- Direct strategic planning and annual operating priorities for a quasi-public economic development organization, translating enterprise strategy into departmental execution and measurable outcomes.
- Lead cross-functional initiatives with Venture Development and Federal Programs, shaping federal funding strategy and program design for technology commercialization and early-stage investment.

Head of Strategy

2026 - Present

Center for Urban Policy, Insights & Investment

- Advise a Midwest real estate developer on the revitalization of a historic downtown district by building a public incentive strategy spanning tax credits, TIF, and gap financing, and designing a community engagement approach to secure local approvals
- Design a cross-sector economic opportunity strategy for a Greater Washington philanthropic fund by aligning grantmaking priorities with regional employers, government partners, and community organizations to advance equitable growth
- Build employer-aligned training pipelines for a workforce development nonprofit by structuring programming that connects participants to quality employment in high-demand sectors

Division Director, Head of Government Affairs

2024 - 2026

Comptroller of Maryland

- Served on the agency's executive team as chief lobbyist and strategy lead, directing a six-person team and \$1 million office budget with direct influence over policy shaping Maryland's \$44 billion state budget.
- Negotiated Maryland's \$1.48 billion revenue package, securing passage amid a \$3 billion structural deficit, by identifying points of fiscal consensus with the Budget and Taxation, Appropriations, and Ways and Means Committees months in advance.
- Steered passage of six agency bills and shaped over 200 legislative measures during Maryland's most consequential fiscal session in a decade, by developing a long-range legislative roadmap that positioned the agency as a primary fiscal authority in the General Assembly.
- Directed the agency's AI, cryptocurrency, and data privacy strategy, including Maryland's first crypto tax assessment framework, by developing internal governance protocols for high-risk technology uses and negotiating interagency data-use agreements with defined access controls and audit provisions.

Vice President, Outreach Strategy

2021 - 2024

JPMorgan Chase & Co.

- Shaped federal student loan policy at the highest levels, contributing directly to the Administration's development of the SAVE income-driven repayment program, by cultivating long-range relationships with the White House, U.S. Treasury, and Department of Education before rulemaking commenced.

- Advanced DC homeownership legislation to enactment, by steering the firm's grantmaking and research investments to build the policy evidence base and assembling a coalition of housing advocates, civil rights organizations, and government officials.
- Unified advocacy, philanthropy, and research functions across three markets, driving coordinated campaigns advancing equitable economic growth in D.C., Baltimore, and New York, by establishing cross-team alignment structures.

Director, External and Government Affairs

2020 - 2021

Rocket Companies

- Administered a \$10 million advocacy investment portfolio across 35 trade associations and policy partners, sustaining message alignment across a 15-business-unit enterprise, by implementing structured performance reviews with the CEO and holding partners accountable to defined outcomes.
- Partnered with mortgage banking business units to implement AI-driven underwriting and operational tools, increasing loan origination efficiency and reducing regulatory exposure, by developing an internal AI governance framework aligning model use with compliance and growth objectives.
- Expanded mortgage access through regulatory reform, achieving favorable adjustments to debt-to-income standards, qualified mortgage rules, and safe harbor provisions, through a multi-state strategy engaging legislatures, federal regulators, and third-party validators.

Director, Public and External Affairs

2017 - 2020

Greater Washington Partnership

- Secured \$500 million in recurring annual infrastructure appropriations in dedicated WMATA funding from Maryland, D.C., and Virginia, by constructing a coalition of governors, legislators, and 30+ major employers and synchronizing strategy across three state capitals.
- Pioneered the first multi-state regional housing production framework adopted by 25+ major employers and multiple governments, by commissioning the Urban Institute to build the policy evidence base and assembling the coalition years ahead of legislative urgency.
- Convened the Philanthropic Roundtable, coordinating chief corporate responsibility officers from Exelon, Capital One, Amazon, and others to leverage collective capital deployment on regional priorities.

Policy Analyst, Economic Policy

2016 - 2017

National Governors Association

- Generated legislation, executive orders, or program adjustments across ten states, by leading a multi-state engagement strategy with the Administration, Congress, and third-party stakeholders on TANF reauthorization and WIOA modification.

Associate, Economic Development

2015 - 2016

Pew Charitable Trusts

- Drove legislative and regulatory reform across a five-state portfolio, generating billions in savings and economic impact, by delivering technical assistance on economic development program efficiency and accountability.

EDUCATION

Master of Public Policy | Brown University, The Watson Institute

Bachelor of Arts, English Language and Literature | Morehouse College