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SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

Education

University of Wisconsin - Green Bay - Attended University of Wisconsin - Madison - Attended

Management

Reputation for efficiency and effectiveness in high pressure, deadline situations where multiple tasks need to be prioritized within a wide variety of disciplines.

Communication

Seventeen years of serving as a public liaison have taught me how to communicate with government agencies, business groups, professional organizations, media, internal staff and the public. I have become a successful spokesperson because of my ability to build relationships with groups of differing philosophies.

- Work Experience

City of Milwaukee – Mayor Tom Barrett Staff Advisor - - Milwaukee, Wisconsin January 2005 - Present Interim Communications Director August - December 2005

Policy Director for the Mayor's *Workforce Initiative* and *Urban Transit Agenda*. Serve as liaison to the city departments of Intergovernmental Relations, Election Commission, Port and Health. Liaison to institutions of higher education, labor, and community foundations. Responsible for outreach with key stakeholders. Represent the Mayor's office to constituent groups. Provide counsel on strategic communications.

5<sup>th</sup> CD and Kerry-Edwards Wisconsin Political Consultant - - Milwaukee Wisconsin May 2004 - November 2004

Political Director: Coordinated media relations, drafted policy papers and developed outreach strategies to constituent groups. Devised earned media campaign. Acted as key advisor to the candidate on all aspects of the campaign.

State Travel Coordinator for Principles (Kerry-Edwards): Directed all aspects of travel and advance for appearances of Senators Kerry and Edwards and their spouses throughout Wisconsin. Managed staff, volunteers, elected officials, and other key stakeholders from pre-planning through the day of the event, often with very short notice. Traveled with the candidates and spouses to prep them on key players and local issues.

Wisconsin
Department of
Justice – Office
of the Attorney
General

Administrator, Division of Management Services -- Madison, Wisconsin January 2003 -- May 2004

Appointed by the Attorney General to lead the Bureaus of Budget and Finance, Human Resources and Computing Services to provide operational support within the Department of Justice. Primary responsibilities included development of the \$154 million budget, financial tracking, recruitment, collective bargaining functions, Technology planning, and facility needs. Assigned to supervise Attorney General's executive office staff comprised of constituent relations, outreach, communications and legislative relations.

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## Progressive Wisconsin, Inc.

Executive Director -- Madison, Wisconsin

May 2002 - December 2002

Managed a 527 political organization overseeing all aspects of an emergent and growing organization as determined by the coalition's stakeholders. Promoted education and collaborative goals through strong grassroots mobilization and citizen participation. Supervised technical, professional staff and consultants. Developed and managed annual budget. Prepared and delivered presentations and strategic plans for eight member board and stakeholders. Evaluated goals and objectives to produce annual reports.

#### Brown County Executive Nancy Nusbaum

Assistant County Executive -- Green Bay, Wisconsin January 1996 - August 2001

Provided direct assistance to the Chief Elected Official of Wisconsin's 4<sup>th</sup> largest county. Advised and counseled all policy and administrative decisions. Developed and advocated for adoption of annual Executive Budget in excess of \$180 million. Directed intergovernmental relations program with local, state and federal elected representatives and agencies. Represented the County Executive at public meetings, hearings and ceremonies. Served as liaison to 33 Department Heads, 24 County Board Supervisors, and provided independent decisions in the Executive's absence. Coordinated community and media relations outreach. Served as the County's Emergency Management Public Officer.

### Wisconsin State Assembly

Legislative Staff - - Madison, Wisconsin August 2001 – May 2002 and January 1989 – January 1994

Democratic Leadership Administrative Aide and Democratic Caucus Director. Coordinated Assembly Democratic Agenda – developing themes, identifying appropriate legislation, mobilizing grassroots organizations, and planning media and floor strategies. Directed and performed analysis on policy and strategy. Developed and implemented new administrative policies, procedures and operations.

Legislative/Research Assistant: Served three members of the Wisconsin State Assembly. Administered staff, internship program, operations, and budget. Staffed Committee on Drug Enforcement, Education and Treatment and Committee on Colleges and Universities. Executed legislative agenda and strategy. Drafted legislation in cooperation with legal staff. Reviewed proposals and provided analysis. Informed all interested parties on status of proposed legislation. Monitored and approved constituent casework.

#### Muscular Dystrophy Association

District Director -- Green Bay, Wisconsin January 1995 to January 1996

Administered operations for a 17 county district. Directed special events, corporate relations, grant writing, and fundraising campaign projects totaling over \$325,000 annually. Supervised patient services and clerical staff. Executed public education and media relations strategy. Produced, directed and coordinated local broadcast of "Jerry Lewis Labor Day Telethon."

REFERENCES PROVIDED
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