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### **Professional Profile**

Qualified and skilled professional with over 9 years' experience in legislative politics, government affairs, executive administration and political campaigns. Skilled in interpersonal relationships, effective communication, legislative conduct and operations, government relations, and issue advocacy.

- Government Relations
- Political Outreach
- Project Management
- Parliamentary Skill

- Legislative Advocacy & Research
- Communications Strategy
- Policy Implementation
- Budget Management Experience

## **Professional Accomplishments**

#### **Government Affairs & Relations**

- Coordinated successful lobbying efforts for major mental health reforms and controversial public trust doctrine legislation achieving bipartisan support.
- Informed county leadership of emerging issues, researched policy options, and managed legislative agenda in collaboration with 24 department heads.
- Communicate effectively with Legislators and administrators of both major political parties to advance common goals and build coalitions to achieve those goals.

### **Legislative Policy Development**

- Provided complete legislative support & management for Senator to enact 114 laws over four biennial sessions working across party lines, including inclusion of over 80 individual policy goals across 4 state budgets.
- Managed Joint Committee on Finance policy work and operations over three sessions, including as Chief of Staff to the committee.
- Facilitated the Committee on Judiciary, Insurance, Corrections, and Housing duties for 58 meetings and the over 350 legislative proposals referred.

### **Strategic Planning & Administrative Management**

- Administer annual office budget, annual salary budgets, and oversee staff with hire/fire authority.
- Engage in strategic planning for department, implement LEAN initiatives and recommend tax levy targets

# **Work History**

Government Affairs Liaison	Milwaukee Cnty Exec. Chris Abele, Milwaukee, WI	Sept 2013 – Present
Chief Of Staff	WI State Senate, Madison WI	May 2007 - Sept 2013
Faith Outreach Dir.	Fair Wisconsin, Madison WI	May 2006 - Jan 2007
Legislative Aide	WI State Assembly, Madison WI	May 2005 - May 2006

# References are available upon request.