

Skills

Technical Skills: Government Affairs, Public Policy, Legislative Affairs, Regulatory Compliance, Federal Funding Allocation, Contract Negotiation & Management, Project Management, Digital Communications, Public Relations, Media Relations, AI Utilization, Microsoft Office Suite, CRM Platforms

Soft Skills: Strategic Communications, Stakeholder Engagement, Relationship Building, Community Outreach, Public Speaking, Leadership, Policy Development, Program Growth, Reporting & Metrics, Negotiation

Education

Master of Science in Public Administration

City University of New York (CUNY)
John Jay College

New York, NY
2015

Bachelor of Science in Public Administration

City University of New York (CUNY)
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Summary

Accomplished Senior Project Manager with extensive experience in government affairs and strategic communications, adept at leading complex initiatives and driving significant public policy and infrastructure projects. Proven expertise in securing multi-million dollar grants, negotiating government contracts, orchestrating comprehensive public outreach, and engaging diverse stakeholders across federal, state, and local levels. Successfully navigated intricate regulatory environments to achieve impactful legislative and economic development outcomes.

Experience

Government Affairs and Strategic Communications Project Manager

Policomm | New York, NY | June 2022 – Present

Directed complex government affairs and strategic communication projects spanning healthcare, public transportation, education, and community development.

Led a government programs initiative resulting in the abolishment of over \$650 million in unpaid debt for nearly 500,000 individuals nationwide.

Secured and negotiated contracts with 23 state and local governments, including New York City and Los Angeles County, generating over \$70 million in grants for a healthcare nonprofit.

Orchestrated comprehensive public outreach efforts, on behalf of the MTA, in

Cornell College

New York, NY

2015

TEFL 120 Hour Certificate

TEFL Universal

2025

support of the \$51.5 billion capital program and the implementation of key public policies like Congestion Pricing.

Consulted with project managers, planners, architects, and engineers on project design and community impacts for large infrastructure projects in Manhattan.

Special Advisor for Policy and Government and Community Affairs

Port Authority of New York and New Jersey | New York, NY | October 2018 – June 2022

Designed and executed public outreach strategies for the Port Authority Bus Terminal Replacement project, engaging community groups and elected officials.

Collaborated with New York and New Jersey Congressional and Senate delegations to secure critical federal funding for major infrastructure developments.

Led policy development and advanced projects through the federal