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EDUCATION

Union College; Schenectady, NY

BA: November 2005. Major: Political Science; Minor: American History

Thesis: Patriot Act's curtailment of civil liberties

Relevant Courses: Intro to American Politics, Intro to Political Thought, Intro to Comparative Politics, American Political Thought to WWI, Ancient Political Thought, Theories of International Relations, Presidential Politics, Race and the American Political System, Mathematics in Politics, PS 77-Internship

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

Vinson Associates, Intern, Springfield, MA

Winter 2006

- Learned hands on duties and responsibilities of life insurance agent
- Listened in on life insurance, mutual funds, and annuity cases
- Drew up life insurance proposals for clients
- Attended meetings and listened in on conference calls headed by company President

Massachusetts Congressman Richard Neal's Office, Intern, Washington, DC

Summer 2004

- Researched Congressman Neal's views on major political issues
- Created working database of constituent issues received via mail
- Personally responded to constituent mail on behalf of Congressman Neal
- Attended Congressional hearings on behalf of Congressman Neal
- Ran Congressional office while others attended Democratic National Convention
- Coordinated and facilitated capitol tours to constituents

John Kerry for President Campaign, Intern, Creston, Iowa

Winter 2003

- Served as sole volunteer intern in southwest Iowa regional field office
- Assisted in organization of key John Kerry events in region
- Conducted persuasion correspondence with Iowa caucus participants
- Arranged Kerry supporter meetings in seven Iowa counties
- Performed various administrative tasks, to assure effective, cohesive campaign

LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

Junior Achievement: Teaching Aid, Schenectady, NY

Fall 2003-Spring 2005

- Tutor and mentor for first graders
- Develop new and creative curriculums for students on a weekly basis
- Responsible for class of thirty kids with twelve bilingual students

Union College Varsity Football, cornerback

Fall 2001- Fall 2005

- Three year starting cornerback
- First Team All ECAC, First Team All-Conference Defense
- Led League in both interceptions-five, and pass defense-sixteen, two forced fumbles
- Facilitated academic and mental support and guidance for teammates

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Theta Delta Chi Fraternity

Fall 2002-Fall 2005

- Serve as social and rush chairman
- Active leader in community service projects on campus and in surrounding towns
- Intramural captain for both baseball and basketball

Interests

- Playing cards- poker, pitch, and cribbage
- Sports - golf, football, baseball, basketball

