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EXPERIENCE

Walgreens Boots Alliance, Washington, D.C. January 2022 – Present

Senior Manager, U.S. Public Policy

- Public policy and government affairs professional with an established reputation in the retail, data privacy, and trade industries.
- In-depth experience leading teams to craft advocacy and drive wins on key issues before state and federal legislatures.
- Working cross-functionally with internal business units to develop policy priorities and recommend strategies for legal compliance.
- Managing a diverse policy portfolio that encompasses data privacy and AI, payments, international trade, tax, and labor.
- Engaging in regulatory and executive branch agency rulemakings through both public comments and personal relationships.
- Building coalitions and representing business interests in front of various associations and stakeholder groups.
- Serving as the staff representative and subject matter expert for the CEO of WBA in her roles as
 - Chair of the Business Roundtable Tech Committee developing AI, privacy, and cybersecurity policy; and
 - Vice Chair of the President's Export Council developing guidance for implementing the Administration's trade agenda.

Library of Congress, Congressional Research Service, Washington, D.C. August 2019 – January 2022

Legislative Analyst

- Applied subject-specific policy knowledge to analysis of new Federal legislation to determine its meaning, intent, and impact.
- Wrote authoritative digests of current legislation on foreign affairs, foreign trade, communications, and legislative procedure.
- Consulted and networked with congressional staff and committees during the process of summarizing Federal legislation.
- Provided Congress with non-partisan, accurate, and reliable information as a resource for Federal legislation.
- Analyzed gaps in congressional information services, evaluated new options, and made recommendations for improvement.

Supreme Court of South Carolina, Columbia, SC December 2017 – May 2019

Staff Attorney

- Provided the Supreme Court with research, analysis, and recommendations on the merits of pending matters before the Court.
- Drafted memoranda, opinions, and orders regarding appeals, motions, and petitions for writs of certiorari.
- Briefed the Court through in-person presentations on complex legal issues relevant to the individual cases before it.
- Reviewed the work product of other Staff Attorneys to maintain a coherent, unified body of work.

Core Technology Molding Group, LLC, Columbia, SC August 2016 – January 2017

Consultant, MBA Team International Marketing Project

- Led a team of consultants in assessing expansion opportunities for a small business making its first international move.
- Evaluated various countries' trade policies, international agreements, and cultural climates.
- Conducted market research on the business-specific legal atmosphere of potential target countries.
- Presented results and recommendations to the client and, subsequently to BMW North America, VP of Global Purchasing.

U.S. Commercial Service, International Trade Administration, Brussels, Belgium April 2016 – July 2016

Senior Commercial Intern

- Created guides to EU data privacy regulation (GDPR), water law and policy, and institutional environments to serve as blueprints for US businesses expanding internationally. Represented the US at European Commission events.

South Carolina State Senate, Columbia, SC, *Legislative Assistant* January 2015 – May 2015

Richland County Public Defender's Office, Columbia, SC, *Law Clerk* April 2013 – August 2013

EDUCATION

University of South Carolina, School of Law, Columbia, SC 2017

Juris Doctor

- *Journal:* Journal of Law & Education, Editorial Staff Member
- *Academic Honors:* Class of 1973 Endowed Scholarship (\$18,000)
CALI Award Highest Grade Distinction – Int'l Trade Law, Rule of Law, Drafting Business Agreements
- *Activities:* International Law Society, Appointed to Advisory Council; LGBTQ Equality Alliance
- *Study Abroad:* Honourable Society of Gray's Inn, London, England (May 2014)

University of South Carolina, Moore School of Business, Columbia, SC 2017

International Master of Business Administration, cum laude

- *Academic Honors:* Moore School Excellence Award
- *Activities:* Moore School PRIDE (LGBTQ Student Group)
- *Study Abroad:* Universität Mannheim, Mannheim, Germany (Spring 2016)

Louisiana State University, Shreveport, LA 2010

Bachelor of Arts, Business, History, cum laude

- *Academic Honors:* Chancellor's Scholarship (Full Academic Scholarship), TOPS Honors (\$24,000)
- *Activities:* Phi Alpha Theta, National History Honor Society

LANGUAGES & ACTIVITIES

English, German, and Swedish. **Board Member** – State Privacy and Security Coalition. **Board Member and Assistant Treasurer** – Potomac Plaza Apartments Cooperative. **Membership Committee Chair** – Swedish-American Chamber of Commerce, DC.