COREY ALT

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SUMMARY

Legislative professional with eight years of experience working at the level of bill text and regulatory guidance—drafted bills and amendments on technical policy issues and built coalitions across partisan divides to get them passed into law. Capable communicator with experience in government and advocacy-oriented roles communicating through modern and traditional channels. Bringing that toolkit, now backed by graduate work in policy and planning, to government relations work in California.

SKILLS

Policy: Legislative analysis and drafting, legislative and regulatory advocacy, coalition management
Communications: Policy writing, press relations, speechwriting, stakeholder engagement, paid media
Quantitative: Impact modeling, budget analysis, cost-benefit analysis, regression, sensitivity analysis
Operations: Event planning, FEC reporting, VIP staffing, web design, AI-assisted workflows

EDUCATION

University of Southern California Los Angeles, CA | Anticipated Spring 2028
Public Policy & Urban Planning Dual Master's | 3.95 GPA

Grinnell College Grinnell, IA | Spring 2017
Biology Major, Policy Studies Minor

LEGISLATIVE EXPERIENCE

Rep. Donna Mears, *Chief of Staff* Juneau/Anchorage, AK | 1/2023–10/2025

- Stood up a legislative office from scratch; hired and managed a staff of two legislative aides, set protocols, and developed a policy process to meet the needs of a freshman member.
- Drafted dozens of amendments and bills on complex policy issues—from public utilities regulation to Medicaid administration to oil and gas tax structures.
- Organized a legislative task force on food security and drafted portions of two reports. Rolled report recommendations into a bipartisan package to get our priorities—support for food banks, money for cold-chain logistics on runways in rural Alaska—past an unfriendly governor's veto pen.
- Built the member's reputation with the media as an authority on energy issues such that she's regularly quoted in the press.
- Positioned the boss to be selected by her colleagues to chair the House Energy Committee, governing in-state power and gas markets, after just one term.
- Implemented a multi-channel constituent communication strategy—newsletters, community events, press releases, op-eds, door-knocking, and conservative AM radio hits. Built an email newsletter list of more than 3,000 in a district of only 17,000 people, regularly achieving open rates over 50% diving deep on niche state policy issues.

Rep. Adam Wool, *Legislative Assistant* Juneau/Fairbanks, AK | 1/2022–1/2023

- Designed and executed a legislative strategy to force changes in an alcohol licensing reform package, leveraging the boss's position on the relevant committee to threaten the bill's sponsors with a protracted and uncertain amendment process, bringing them to the negotiating table where they made substantive concessions.

MJ Simon & Company, *Government Relations Manager* Washington, DC | 12/2018–9/2020

- Ran a national coalition of 60+ advocacy groups that preserved Medicaid non-emergency medical transportation benefits in the face of a federal regulatory process to make the benefit optional for

states, jeopardizing coverage for tens of millions of Americans. Built bipartisan support in the House and Senate and won an appropriations rider in the FY 2020 omnibus appropriations bill to effectively block CMS from publishing the regulation.
- Produced a 15-year retrospective analysis of all medical devices that received favorable National Coverage Determinations through the Medicare Coverage with Evidence Development pathway to inform a client's coverage strategy.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

USC Student Policy Journal, *Senior Editor* Los Angeles, CA **|** 1/2026–Present
- Helped draft founding documents for new policy journal at USC Price, crafting organizational structures, submission guidelines, editing protocols, and more ahead of inaugural issue in Fall 2026.
- Leads substantive editing on all submissions, working iteratively with authors to sharpen arguments and tighten structures before publication.

United Community Housing Coalition, *Rental Assistance Counselor* Remote | 5/2021–1/2022
- Stopped dozens of Detroiters from being evicted from their homes, distributing hundreds of thousands of dollars in pandemic emergency rent relief.

Dr. Al Gross for US Senate, *Deputy Operations Director* Anchorage, AK | 9/2020–11/2020
- Served as senior staff on a $19M statewide campaign

Frank McNeill for Congress, *Finance Director* Southern Pines, NC | 5/2018–11/2018
- Raised $650,000 in 6 months by grinding out marathon call-time sessions and organizing high-dollar fundraisers with top North Carolina electeds including Roy Cooper and Josh Stein
- Drafted and edited speeches, press releases, social media content, ad scripts, and direct mail pieces

Venn Strategies, *Paid Fellow* Washington, DC | 1/2018–4/2018
- Helped organize and execute client hill days

Senator Chris Van Hollen, *Legislative Intern* Washington, DC | 8/2017–12/2017
- Supported the healthcare legislative assistant, reporting on hearings and summarizing legislation

Perry's Deli, *Prep/Line Cook* Inverness Park, CA | Summers 2015–17
- Honed time-management and knife skills in a high-pressure environment