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Work Experience

Director of Government Relations 2008-Present

Principal Financial Group
Des Moines, IA

- Responsible for policy development and the establishment of legislative priorities. Lobby state legislative and executive branches to implement company priorities. Draft legislation and proposed amendments.
- Implement our national public affairs program including internal and external communications and grassroots. Interpret state code and rules.
- Work with a Political Action Committee and candidates running for statewide office.
- Hold a leadership position in numerous trade organizations from a policy perspective
- Responsible for overseeing our public affairs and grassroots efforts nationally including the development of numerous communication strategies and grassroots coalitions
- Work with legislators, many state agencies and organizations throughout the state to build coalitions and develop policy initiatives and consensus around those initiatives

State Policy Advisor 2001-2008

Iowa Farm Bureau Federation
West Des Moines, IA

- Responsible for policy development and the establishment of legislative priorities
- Lobby state legislative and executive branches to implement member priorities
- Draft legislation and proposed amendments
- Worked with a large membership base to establish strong grassroots advocacy. Interpret state code and rules
- Work with a large Political Action Committee and candidates running for statewide office

Legislative Liaison 1996-2001

Iowa Department of Economic Development
Des Moines, IA

Education

Iowa State University
Ames, Iowa
B.S. Finance

Professional Leadership

The Federation of Iowa Insurers executive committee, board and committee chair
Iowa Taxpayers Association property tax committee
The Iowa Association of Business and Industry legislative committee

Community Leadership

United Way of Central Iowa Board and Executive Committee
United Way of Central Iowa Policy Committee Chair
Women's Leadership Connection
Women's Leadership Connection policy committee
Greater Des Moines Partnership Board and Executive Committee
Greater Des Moines Partnership Policy Committee Chair
Governor appointment to The Commission on Educator Leadership and Compensation
2010-2011 Graduate of Leadership Iowa
Very Special Arts (VSA) Iowa – Board of Directors