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Selected Work Experience

American Wind Energy Association, State Affairs Associate (Washington, DC) July 2018 - Present

- Track relevant legislation and work with issue experts and our members to provide timely feedback to legislators.
- Manage PAC and corporate campaign contributions to gain industry visibility and target key legislators, regulators, and our champions.
- Identify potential threats and opportunities in different states to prioritize lobbying and public relations resources.
- Manage internal committee meetings to identify industry positions and priorities and keep members up to date on legislative progress.

Office of Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers, Assistant (Washington, DC) March 2018 – June 2018

- Gained valuable first-hand experience with legislative functions and the role of congressional leadership.
- Fielded and tracked constituent correspondence and provided information on current events and legislation.
- Crafted memos on upcoming legislation and congressional hearings for staff and Member use.

American Forest Foundation, Policy Coordinator (Washington, DC) April 2017 – March 2018

- Recruited and worked with over 100 organizations to form the Forests in the Farm Bill Coalition and compiled a comprehensive platform that promotes programs for family-owned forests in the 2018 Farm Bill reauthorization.
- Analyzed new legislation for impact on family forest owners' ability to keep and manage their land for conservation benefits.
- Wrote weekly updates for forest owners about current legislation, Forest Service news, and events in their area.
- Used InDesign to create memorable one-page summaries of issues for Hill meetings.
- Managed executive committee meetings and prepared brief materials on the Foundation's progress towards key goals.
- Organized and executed a fly-in for 70 family forest owners and executives to meet with their Members of Congress in DC.

National Association of State Foresters, Policy & Communications Intern (Washington, DC) January 2017 – April 2017

- Researched state and federal forest health management programs to create a report on their effectiveness and promote funding.
- Met with congressional offices to promote legislation to remove obstacles for state foresters, secure crucial funding sources, and convey the value of state and private forests to the landscape and economy.
- Worked with the Forests in the Farm Bill Coalition to promote programs for state and family-owned forests.
- Managed multiple executive fly-ins and committee meetings.
- Wrote official NASF blog posts about natural resource issues and managed content and strategy on social media.

Senate Majority Policy Office, Policy Intern (Lansing, MI) September 2016 – December 2016

- Analyzed Senate bills for economic and environmental impact, and prepared summaries for Senators.
- Met with constituents and Senate offices to develop and pass a package of bills to regulate commercial hunting and fishing guides in the state, as well as a package to prevent future disasters similar to the Flint water crisis.
- Attended Senate sessions to ensure smooth passage of legislation.

Cassidy & Associates, Policy Intern (Washington, DC) May 2016 – August 2016

- Met with congressional offices to discuss National Monument designations, Clean Air Act improvements, energy tax credits, and other environmental issues.
- Researched environmental law and current issues by attending think tank events and congressional hearings, and wrote reports to inform executives, clients, and Hill staff.

Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, GIS Intern (Lansing, MI) September 2015 – May 2016

- Worked with ArcGIS, Wellogic, and various Department databases to collect, organize, and analyze data for accuracy and compliance.
- Proactively checked large-quantity withdrawal water wells for compliance with state regulations (and researched the history of these regulations).

Education

Michigan State University (East Lansing, MI) August 2012 – December 2016

- B.S. in Environmental Studies and Sustainability, B.M. in Music Composition.
- GPA: 3.8, Dean's List every semester.
- Completed the Demmer Scholar program led by former USDA Natural Resources and Environment Undersecretary Mark E. Rey; studied natural resource policy and met inspiring public officials while interning in Washington, DC.
- Completed a four-week study abroad program to Cuba in 2014 focusing on government systems, sustainable agriculture, urban planning, and ethnomusicology.