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POLITICAL, POLICY & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

DIRECTOR, ASPIRE CENTER FOR SEXUAL & REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH **2022-Present** **Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts** **Boston, MA**

- Launched Planned Parenthood's ASPIRE Center for Sexual and Reproductive Health, appointed and manage an Advisory Council, and direct ASPIRE's strategy, vision, growth, external partnerships, daily operations, fundraising, and events.
- Created and lead PPLM's legal and policy research program, with a focus on abortion access for marginalized populations.
- Partner with PPLM's education, research, and clinical training teams to find research and training opportunities to advance sexual and reproductive health equity, especially for youth, BIPOC, LGBTQ+ people, and those with disabilities.
- Collaborate closely with PPLM's advocacy team to develop ASPIRE's legislative agenda and budgetary priorities.
- Brought in >\$1.2 million in external funding in the first year to support new research projects and training programs.

SENIOR ADVISOR **2021** **Michelle Wu for Mayor** **Boston, MA**

- Researched and created policy proposals and policy-related communications focused on gender and racial equity issues.
- Helped lead fundraising efforts, including identifying opportunities for related endorsements and events.
- Managed political outreach and tracking with key constituencies and community leaders.

CHIEF OF STAFF **2018-2020** **Massachusetts State Senate: Office of Senator Barry R. Finegold** **Boston, MA**

- Created and executed office goals and managed the Senator's long-term legislative and budgetary priorities.
- Authored key pieces of legislation and worked with Senate and House leadership and relevant stakeholders to successfully navigate the legislative process, including passing landmark vote-by-mail legislation during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Developed and implemented a media strategy for the office; wrote press releases, speeches & public statements.
- Acted as liaison for the office to local, state and federal government offices, local business, and nonprofit leaders.

CHIEF STRATEGIST & CAMPAIGN MANAGER **2018** **Barry Finegold for Senate** **Andover, MA**

- Managed successful primary and general election campaigns, winning with 63% of the vote in a purple district.
- Responsible for campaign fundraising; raised a record-setting \$500,000 from April to November.
- Ran communications for the campaign, including core messaging, media relations & traditional and digital advertising.
- Created and executed campaign strategy, including the field plan and the direct mail program.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR **2016-2018** **Boston Women's Workforce Council (Partnership with City of Boston)** **Boston, MA**

- Managed recruitment to the 100% Talent Compact for pay equity; responsible for recruiting 170+ new companies.
- Created and executed fundraising strategy; increased BWWC annual revenue from \$0 to over \$350,000 in two years.
- Oversaw data training, wage data collection for 200,000+ employees, statistical analysis & annual report writing.
- Planned and executed the BWWC's annual Best Practices Conference and quarterly membership briefings.

GENDER EQUITY RESEARCHER **2014-2016** **Harvard Kennedy School Women and Public Policy Program** **Cambridge, MA**

- Translated and summarized complex research and methodology into policy briefs for non-academic audiences.
- Analyzed academic works to identify interventions to close gender gaps in health, economics, education, and politics.

LEGISLATIVE & PRESS AIDE **2013** **Massachusetts State Senate: Office of Senator Barry R. Finegold** **Boston, MA**

- Analyzed, monitored, and made recommendations to the Senator on legislative and budgetary matters.
- Directed constituent services, including intake, constituent communication, and working with relevant state agencies.
- Managed local press relations, produced web content, and maintained the Senator's social media presence.

CAMPAIGN MANAGER

Barry Finegold for State Senate

**2012
Andover, MA**

- Won with 65% of the vote (20k+ vote margin of victory); Led staff of three, interns, and volunteer universe of 300+.
- Managed volunteer recruitment and training, press relations, debate prep, and candidate and volunteer canvassing.

PARALEGAL

Prousalis & Papantonakis, PC

**2009-2011
Lynnfield, MA**

- Conducted legal research and worked directly with clients who were facing foreclosure and bankruptcy in the wake of the housing crisis as they applied to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Home Affordable Modification Program (HAMP). Produced the firm's monthly newsletter, highlighting national and state policy updates.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

ADJUNCT LECTURER IN PUBLIC POLICY

Harvard University Kennedy School of Government

**2022-Present
Cambridge, MA**

- Developed and teach a course on Reproductive Rights, Politics and Policy, which covers foundational abortion caselaw, social science research, political commentary, and current state, federal, and international policy issues in the sexual and reproductive health space. Regularly participate in Harvard panels and workshops on abortion rights.
- Teach a Speechwriting course, focused on persuasion strategies, writing and editing techniques, and integrating public policy into political speeches. Developed and teach a political speechwriting workshop for the Communications Program.

ADJUNCT LECTURER

Merrimack College: Women's & Gender Studies Department

**2021-2023
North Andover, MA**

- Created curriculum for and taught the Women's and Gender Studies Department's legal courses, including Gender Law (largely focused on abortion law); Gender & Immigration Law; and Gender, Race & Environmental Justice.
- Developed and taught the diversity, equity, and inclusion curriculum for the College's degree completion program.

EDUCATION:

JURIS DOCTOR (HIGH HONORS)

Northeastern University School of Law

**May 2021
Boston, MA**

- Honors include: reproductive rights, gender law, employment discrimination, immigration, criminal law & legal writing.
- Law Clerk at Lichten & Liss-Riordan, P.C.: drafted pleadings and legal memoranda for state and federal court, including racial, gender, and pregnancy discrimination and wage theft lawsuits against major employers.
- Research Assistant to Professor Daniel Medwed, researching wrongful conviction case law for his 2022 book "Barred: Why the Innocent Can't Get Out of Prison."

MASTER IN PUBLIC POLICY (GPA: 3.7/4.0)

Harvard University Kennedy School of Government

**May 2015
Cambridge, MA**

- Awards: Recipient of 2015 Holly Taylor Sargent Award for Women's Advancement; Women and Public Policy Program Cultural Bridge Fellow; Criminal Justice Policy and Management Program Summer Fellow
- Summer Fellowship: Conducted qualitative research on the effectiveness of Edinburgh, Scotland's multi-agency response to domestic abuse, culminating in a report of policy recommendations to the Edinburgh City Council.
- Master's Thesis: Led a year-long consulting project for the Massachusetts Probation Commissioner. Conducted quantitative analysis comparing the recidivism rate of domestic violence offenders who complete court-mandated Intimate Partner Abuse Education Programs to those who do not. Findings were circulated to the State Legislature and Trial Court and incorporated into Probation trainings.

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE (GPA: 3.98/4.0)

Merrimack College

**May 2012
North Andover, MA**

- Honors: Presidential Scholar; 2012 Commencement Speaker; Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science National Honor Society
- Activities: Honors Program Founding Member; Orientation Speaker on Sexual Misconduct Policy; Pre-Law Society

SELECTED LECTURES & PRESENTATIONS:

National Conferences:

- “Expanding Comprehensive Sex Education in Abortion Ban States,” National Sex Ed Conference (December 2023)
- “One Year of the Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts ASPIRE Center for Sexual and Reproductive Health: Research Expo Lunch and Learn,” American Public Health Association Annual Meeting and Expo (November 2023)
- “How Public Health Leaders Can Effectively Communicate to Reduce Abortion Stigma,” American Public Health Association Annual Meeting and Expo (November 2022)
- “Gender-based Violence and the #MeToo Movement,” Harvard Igniting Innovation Summit (October 2018)

Workshops & Trainings:

- “Careers in Reproductive Justice,” Harvard Law School’s Alliance for Reproductive Justice and Boston University’s If/When/How Chapter (October 2023)
- “Speechwriting for Politicians and Advocates,” Harvard Kennedy School Communications Program workshop (September 2023; February 2022; September 2021)
- “Leveraging Research to Change Parental Consent Laws in Massachusetts,” Abortion Access Research Roadmap Convening (June 2023)
- “Policy Advocacy 101,” Harvard Kennedy School workshop (April 2023)
- “The Past, Present & Future: What’s at Stake for Reproductive Health in America?” Harvard Kennedy School Women and Public Policy Program (March 2023)
- “Political Endorsements: Types, Process & Strategies,” Harvard Kennedy School Women and Public Policy Program: Harvard Square to the Oval Office training (March 2023; March 2022)
- “How to Draft Legislation,” Rise Justice Labs (December 2022; June 2022; November 2021; September 2021)
- “Reproductive Rights After *Dobbs*,” Harvard Kennedy School’s Women’s Leadership Board Meeting (November 2022)
- “After the *Dobbs* Decision: How Did We Get Here and What Does It Mean?” Harvard Kennedy School Office of the Dean / Women and Public Policy Program (October 2022)
- “Gender Equity and Inclusion in the Workplace,” Harvard Kennedy School Women’s Network (March 2021)

Guest Lectures:

- “Introduction to Rape Law & Evidentiary Standards,” Northeastern University School of Law: Criminal Law and Evidence courses (October 2023; March 2022; March 2019)
- “Abortion Access for Marginalized Populations,” New England Law School (September 2023)
- “Introduction to Rape Law,” Harvard Law School: Criminal Law 1 course (March 2020)
- “Introduction to Title IX,” Harvard Law School Gender Violence Legal Policy Workshop (April 2015)

PUBLICATIONS:

- “The Criminalization of Title IX: Replicating a System Where No One Wins,” Harvard Kennedy School Review (2021)
- “A Woman’s Policy Guide to the Trump Administration,” Harvard Kennedy School Review (2016)
- “Breaking the Cycle: The Effects of Batterer Intervention Programs on Domestic Violence Recidivism in Massachusetts,” Harvard Kennedy School Master’s Thesis (2015)
- “Scotland Takes Domestic Abuse Seriously – And We Should Too,” Harvard Kennedy School Review (2014)

VOLUNTEERING:

- **617 Rocks Foundation:** Serve as the Executive Director of a nonprofit music festival, featuring nationally recognized rock bands and raising over \$100,000 for cancer research and treatment and mental health each year.
- **Elizabeth Warren for President:** Served as a member of the late help political team in New Hampshire, including staffing high-profile surrogates and organizing large-scale events.
- **Rise:** Consulted on, lobbied for, and testified in support of Massachusetts bill “An Act establishing a bill of rights for victims of sexual assault and related purposes,” which was signed into law by Governor Baker in October 2016.
- **Harvard Students Demand Respect:** Led a coalition of graduate students working to end gender-based violence on campus via policy changes; Received national press coverage, including NYT, NPR, CBS, and the Boston Globe.
- **Harvard Graduate Student Labor Action Movement:** Led a successful two-year fight to unionize more than 100 hotel workers at the Harvard-owned Doubletree Hotel.