# Virginia Haworth

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

## Florida State College at Jacksonville, Jacksonville, FL

Director of Government Relations and Community Engagement

September 2018-Present

- Develop and execute the college's strategy for legislative and government relations priorities including \$78M+ in state funding
- Provide leadership as the College liaison for governmental affairs with elected officials, state legislature, congressional delegates and serve as an authorized representative for the College in the pursuit of grants, earmarks and program participation
- Build relationships with non-profits and other community agencies to strengthen the College's role with its community and facilitate support for a variety of Florida State College at Jacksonville initiatives
- Develop, create and implement Community Engagement Plan based on the College's Strategic Plan, goals and priorities in accordance with the college policies, procedures and processes

## Governor Elect Ron DeSantis Inaugural Committee, Tallahassee, FL

Legislative Liaison

December 2018

- Coordinated dais guests including former and sitting US Senators, former Governors and Lt. Governors, sitting Mayors and Congressmen, and their families
- Managed guests lists for all public events to ensure Florida's leaders were represented at each event
- Planned and executed Legislative Luncheon and Spouse's Reception, honoring bipartisan leadership and sending message of unity for Governor's Bold Vision for a Brighter Future

### Executive Office of the Governor of Florida, Tallahassee, FL

Appointments Director

February 2013 - June 2015

- Managed team of 5 responsible for 2,000+ appointment recommendations of leadership roles in Florida
- Conducted vetting, qualifying and background investigations on candidates for appointments
- Recruited qualified candidates through networking and referral systems
- Built relationships with business executives and community leaders
- Presented candidates to hiring manager including Deputy Chiefs of Staff and Governor
- Focus on identifying talent with budget analysis experience and financial acumen

Senior Program Analyst - Scheduler

October 2012-February 2013

- Managed Governor Scott's calendar to prioritize goals and objectives and maximize efficiency
- Developed and distributed line-by-line movements individualized to each event

Senior Program Analyst - Appointments

January 2011-October 2012

- Managed board portfolio of 150+ for gubernatorial appointments with focus on financial sector
- Authored press releases for appointment announcements
- Conducted social media research, political vetting, and background investigations
- Manage candidate flow using candidate tracking system
- Work with professional associations to identify talent

# Office of the Comptroller of the Currency - U.S. Treasury, Birmingham, AL

Financial Intern

June 2009 - December 2009

- Gained over 900 hours of exposure to the banking regulatory industry
- · Created and presented detailed reports of bank examination findings to board members

#### **EDUCATION**

Auburn University, Auburn, AL

Bachelor of Science, Business Administration, Cum Laude

August 2006 - May 2010

### **ACTIVITIES & RECOGNITION**

30-Under-30 Rising Starts of Florida Politics

Florida Politics

2016

Big Brothers, Big Sisters

Mentor

2018-present

**ImpactJAX** 

Member

2018-present

**James Madison Institute** 

Leadership Fellow

2015-2016

• Part of distinguished group of community leaders brought together for networking, professional development, and policy discussion

**Capital Young Republicans** 

Member

2015-present

• Organization for policy discussion, community engagement, fellowship, and leadership opportunities

#### **Delta Gamma**

Alumnae Advisor

2011-present

• Advise local Delta Gamma chapter as House Corp Board member and Panhellenic collegiate advisor