

KEVIN J. GALLAGHER

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Office of Governor Gina M. Raimondo

Providence, RI

2019-Present Senior Deputy Chief of Staff

2015-2019 Deputy Chief of Staff

- Led the development, launch and implementation of signature initiatives that resulted in thousands successfully completing job training and securing employment (Back to Work, Real Jobs Rhode Island) which brought the unemployment rate down from the highest in the country to a 30-year low; crafted and passed legislation that made community college tuition-free (RI Promise); quadrupled the number of high-quality Pre-K classrooms; created universal access to dual and concurrent enrollment and work-based learning opportunities for high school students (PrepareRI); established a program that catalyzed more than \$1.5B in critically needed school construction; and created the first of its kind public/private partnership to bring computer science to every public school (CS4RI).
- Established the first of its kind State Innovation Office and managed the team and budget for the office, which oversaw the state's efforts to expand access to broadband, including the launch of a Citizens Band Radio Service (CBRS) urban K-12 pilot that provides blanket internet for full neighborhoods for hundreds of students living in the area; leveraged NTIA BTOP funding (as well as \$10M in local support) to build an expansive state-wide fiber network (90% of Rhode Islanders live within 1 mile of a state of the art 48 strand fiber network that connects over 120 community anchor institutions and runs a direct I2 connection to the internet backbone); and established the first fiber connection to New Shoreham (Block Island) via a negotiated extension of the underwater fiber lay required for the operation of the nation's first off-shore wind farm.
- Integral in developing the Governor's policy agenda and the annual, months-long preparation of six comprehensive \$10B+ state budgets.
- Chief negotiator on numerous complex economic development deals, public/private partnership agreements and legislation.
- Managed and provided day-to-day oversight to more than a dozen cabinet agencies and boards with a workforce of more than 5,000 employees related to education, workforce development, government operations, municipal finance, taxation, and the state lottery.
- Oversaw the application for and managed the budget and teams implementing numerous discretionary federal and philanthropic grants totaling tens of millions of dollars.
- Represented the Governor and the Governor's Office in press interviews, public engagements, and stakeholder meetings, and testified at numerous legislative hearings.
- Principal member of the whole of government response to COVID-19 with specific responsibility for the state's efforts to establish Wi-Fi connectivity for students during distance learning and management of the safe return of students to in-person learning, including the formation of a one-of-a-kind Education Operations Center (EDOC) to provide technical assistance and support to local education agencies.

Locke Lord, LLP (formerly Edwards & Angell, LLP)

Providence, RI

2010-2015 *Associate*

- Represented clients in all aspects of civil litigation, including depositions, mediations, motion practice, and appellate practice in state and federal courts.
- Served as litigation manager for a Fortune 50 client overseeing local counsel in more than one hundred cases across multiple jurisdictions in different states.
- Advised Fortune 50 client on all aspects of compliance with the Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) Act, and developed and implemented a nationwide program to ensure consistency in the resolution and settlement of cases pursuant to Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) rules and regulations.
- Chaired the Providence Office Diversity Committee and served on national firm committee.

Teach For America Corps Member

Phoenix, AZ

2005-2007 *ELA Teacher, Bernard Black Elementary School*

- Taught fourth, seventh and eighth grade English Language Arts.
- Launched and served as Acting Principal of Intersession Extended Learning Academy designed to provide support to students performing below grade level expectations.
- Served as advisor to Student Government Council and coach to girls' softball team.

EDUCATION

Boston College Law School

Newton, MA

Juris Doctorate, May 2010

Summer Associate, Locke Lord, LLP; Summer Associate, Brown Rudnick, LLP

College of the Holy Cross

Worcester, MA

Bachelor of Arts, cum laude, May 2005

Political Science and Economics; Student Body Co-President (2003-2004, 2004-2005); Intern, U.S. State Department, U.S. Embassy, Dhaka, Bangladesh

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Member, Rhode Island Bar, Massachusetts Bar (2010-present)
- Court Admissions, U.S. District Courts for RI and MA (2010-present)
- Advisory Board Member, Year Up Providence (2018-present)
- Treasurer/Board Member, Center for Mediation & Collaboration RI (2012-2020)
- Legal Counsel and Transition Committee Staff, Office of the RI Governor-Elect (2014)
- Board Member, Style Up, Inc. (2011-2014)
- GLBTQ Legal Advocates & Defenders (GLAD) Board of Ambassadors (2011-2014)
- Elected Member of the Rhode Island Bar Association House of Delegates (2013-2014)
- Editorial Board Member, Rhode Island Bar Journal (2012)
- Regular speaker at national, regional and state seminars and panels on education, workforce, economic development, finance and legal topics.