

# Camille Calimlim TOUTO

## PROFILE

I am a policy expert in a political world, with an extensive background in Transportation, Energy, and Natural Resources policy. I am an engineer by training, allowing me to understand and translate complex issues into sound public policy. My experience has afforded me a well-rounded skill set that includes:

### BICAMERAL EXPERIENCE

I have had the privilege of working as professional staff for six Congresses. I worked for both the House and Senate and understand the process and complexities of each legislative body.

### EXECUTIVE BRANCH LEADERSHIP

For two and a half years, I served in the Obama Administration as part of the leadership team at the Department of the Interior. This helped me learn how to translate laws into agency action.

### FELLOWSHIPS & BOARD SERVICE

I was pleased to be appointed by Governor Northam to the Commonwealth of Virginia's Board of Conservation and Recreation. I was also selected as a 2020 Wilson Center Congressional Foreign Policy Fellow, focusing on the nexus of foreign policy and natural resources management.

## EDUCATION

### GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY

**Master of Public Policy, (b) (6)**  
Alexis De Tocqueville Award (b) (6)  
*Outstanding Public Policy Graduate*

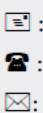
### UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, LAS VEGAS

**Bachelor of Science in Engineering, (b) (6)**  
Civil and Environmental Engineering

### UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, LAS VEGAS

**Bachelor of Arts in Communications, (b) (6)**  
Rhetoric and Communication Studies  
*Undergraduate Commencement Speaker*

## CONTACT



(b) (6)

## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

### U.S. HOUSE TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

SENIOR PROFESSIONAL STAFF

JAN 2019 - PRESENT

CHAIRMAN PETER A. DEFAZIO (D-OR)

- Advise Members on policy issues relating to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps)- the nation's leading water management agency. Provide guidance and policy recommendations to Members of Congress on legislative matters related to flood control, the Clean Water Act, and ecosystem protection.
- Lead staffer in drafting the resiliency and community affordability provisions as part of the Water Resources Development Act of 2020 (H.R. 7575), the authorizing legislation for the Corps. H.R. 7575 passed the House by voice vote and is awaiting Senate consideration.

### U.S. SENATE ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

DEMOCRATIC PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER

SEP 2017 - JAN 2019

RANKING MEMBER MARIA CANTWELL (D-WA)

- Committee lead on Water Policy, Federal and Non-Federal Hydropower, and the Power Marketing Administrations. Primary staff for the Subcommittee on Water and Power, with jurisdiction over the Bureau of Reclamation and United States Geological Survey.
- Successfully shepherded the water provisions enacted into law as part of P.L. 116-9, which included the Yakima River Basin Act, a 30-year vision for responding to drought and change through restoration of historic salmon runs and ensuring water for agriculture and communities.

### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY/ COUNSELOR

JUL 2014 - JAN 2017

- Served on the Senior Executive Leadership team and led policy and strategy for the Bureau of Reclamation, the largest water purveyor in the nation with 5,400 full time employees (FTE) and an FY 2016 budget of \$1.32 billion, and the United States Geological Survey, with 6,000 FTE and an FY 2016 budget of \$1 billion.
- Represented Interior on several high-level committees, serving as the Secretary of the Interior's designee and Chair to the Federal Geographic Data Committee; Chair and Interior's Principal to the Unconventional Oil and Gas Multi-Agency Collaboration; and Interior's Principal to the Hypoxia Taskforce.
- Led Interior's efforts on the Salton Sea, resulting in the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between Interior and the State of California. Secured a matching \$10 million pledge from the Philanthropic groups. The MOU is the most significant progress for the Sea in 20 years, helping to secure the water supply of 30 million people in the Colorado River Basin.
- Experience in managing a diverse team to a successful deliverable, like the Open Water Data Initiative, the process of making water data accessible and interoperable. Deliverables included the Colorado River web visualization, which received 50,000 visits within the first 48 hours- and received the USGS Shoemaker Award for Best Internet Product in 2016.

### U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

SENIOR POLICY ADVISOR FOR WATER & POWER

MAR 2007 - JUL 2014

- Sole minority staffer responsible for the day-to-day operations and long-term policy development for the Water and Power Subcommittee in the 112<sup>th</sup> and 113<sup>th</sup> Congress.
- Led the House development of 25 Bureau of Reclamation provisions that were enacted into law as part of P.L. 111-11, and seven Indian Water Rights Settlements as part of P.L. 111-291.
- Provided guidance and recommendations to Members of Congress on policy and legislative matters related to general water and power policy, energy-water nexus, climate change, tribal water rights settlements.