

# Danny Rogan Kadishson

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- Senior Speechwriter for New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo, primarily on COVID and economic recovery
- Wrote speeches for Obama Admin officials, AFL-CIO president, Members of Congress, three Presidential campaigns
- Speechwriting volunteer for Biden for President senior surrogates
- Policy experience in economic development, future of work, trade/commerce, foreign policy, national security, health
- Worked in federal, state, and city government, in legislative and executive branches
- Security clearance information available upon request

## **Professional Experience:**

### ***New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senior Speechwriter, NY, August 2020 - Present***

- Write Governor Cuomo's speeches, primarily on COVID, economic recovery, racial equity
- Collaborate with policy teams and write talking points for Governor's press briefings and key meetings
- Review and edit colleagues' speeches before they are sent to Governor Cuomo
- Advise Governor Cuomo on messaging and strategic communications

### ***WeWork, NY, March 2018 – June 2020***

#### ***Global Head of Government Sales, January 2020 – June 2020***

- Launched and led a new team to partner with governments and intergovernmental organizations
- Developed WeWork's products and marketing to help governments innovate the way they work

#### ***Enterprise Account Executive, March 2018 – January 2020***

- Worked with some of the world's largest companies to help them adapt for the future of work
- Managed multi-million dollar deals around the world to design, build, and operate new spaces for companies

### ***Good Speech, Founder, Lead Speechwriter, ([www.goodspeech.co](http://www.goodspeech.co)), Part-time, 2018 - Present***

- Founded and manage an initiative to write speeches pro bono for Democratic candidates and causes
- Wrote stump speeches for four first-time Congressional candidates, including the first Latina elected to the Georgia Assembly, and one of the first openly gay women to serve as a U.S. Marine Corps officer

### ***New York City Mayor's Office, NY, July 2013 – Feb 2018***

#### ***Director of Economic Development, NYC Mayor's Office for International Affairs, January 2016 – Feb 2018***

- Managed NYC's economic relationships with governments of over 100 countries, international cities, and UN
- Developed new economic development programs and policies to create jobs for New Yorkers
- Helped international businesses open in NYC, and NYC-based businesses sell internationally
- Served on negotiating team that reached first-ever economic development partnership between NYC and France
- Hosted global Sharing Cities conference on the future of work
- Served as spokesman on economic issues with international press
- Was NYC's sole representative at economic development conferences in China and Portugal

#### ***Assistant Director, Office of NYC Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services, July 2013 – January 2016***

- Leveraged technology to develop innovative health policy solutions; helped implement ACA for New York City
- Working group that launched IDNYC, a municipal ID card for all New Yorkers regardless of immigration status
- Oversaw NYC's procurements for hundreds of millions of dollars in health and human services programs

### ***U.S. National Nuclear Security Administration, Nonproliferation Fellow, Washington, June 2012 – June 2013***

- Supported President Obama's Four-Year Initiative to secure vulnerable nuclear material around the world
- Coordinated U.S. nonproliferation engagement with United Nations, IAEA, G8 Global Partnership
- Jointly developed U.S. positions, messages and strategies with the U.S. Department of State
- Worked on the negotiating team that signed the June 14, 2013 U.S.-Russia MNEPR nuclear security agreement
- Drafted talking points for Department of Energy and NNSA senior leaders, coordinated responses to reporters
- Helped draft long-term strategic report on trends and opportunities for nuclear nonproliferation
- Wrote a speech for the Deputy Secretary and section of a speech for the Secretary of Energy

**Office of Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army, Congressional Analyst, Washington, April 2011 – May 2012**

- Legislative Area of Responsibility: oversight and reform of contracting/procurement in Iraq and Afghanistan
- Initiated and wrote new guidance and requirements to deter contractors from using trafficked labor; guidance was distributed to Army contracting offices around the world
- Served as Lead Action Officer to House and Senate Foreign Relations/Affairs Committees
- Prepared Deputy Assistant Secretary for press interviews, Congressional hearings; drafted talking points

**U.S. Congressman Phil Hare (D-IL), Legislative Assistant, Washington, May 2009 – Jan. 2011**

- Lead advisor on commerce, energy/environment, government oversight and reform
- Provided Congressman Hare with analysis and recommendations on votes and policy issues
- Assisted with messaging during debate and votes on the Affordable Care Act
- Staffed Congressman's work as Chairman of the Congressional Progressive Task Force on Jobs
- Wrote H.R. 5041, Security in Energy and Manufacturing Act, to spur new clean energy manufacturing jobs; built a coalition of organizations to advocate for the bill, which was included in the House energy package
- Wrote section 2 of H.R. 4290, a public works jobs program; included in Jobs for Main Street Act, passed by House
- Worked with labor unions, House Leadership and U.S. Trade Representative on China energy and trade policies

**Volunteer/Campaign Service:**

***Biden for President, Speechwriting Volunteer, Bundler, 2020***

- Wrote speeches for Biden surrogates, including Andrew Yang, Maya Harris, Rep. Ami Bera
- Fundraising bundler, and recruited four other bundlers

***Truman National Security Project, Political Partner, Co-Lead of International Trade Group, 2018 - Present***

- Help develop foreign policy positions, engage the public to shape the debate
- Co-lead U.S. trade policy and economic security group

***Inclusive America, Communications Adviser, 2019 - Present***

- Help develop messaging, website content, and press strategy to advance diversity in government

***Hillary for America, Speechwriting Volunteer, NY, Part-time, 2016***

- Wrote speeches for high-level campaign surrogates

***Obama for America, Organizing Fellow, Virginia, Fall 2012***

- Recruited, trained, and managed volunteers to coordinate canvassing for President Obama

**Education:**

**National Defense University, Washington, D.C., graduated 2013**

*Master of Arts, in International Security Studies, College of International Security Affairs*

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**Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, NY, graduated 2009**

*Bachelor of Arts, with Departmental Honors in Political Science*

Study abroad at University of St. Andrews, Scotland

Vassar College Varsity Soccer Team, Captain

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