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Top Skills

Public Policy
Nonprofits
Policy Analysis

Honors-Awards

Alumni of the Year
"Rising Star" in the area of Civil Rights
Outstanding Young Lawyer of the Year
El Centro de La Raza 30th Anniversary Award for Leadership

Publications

Congress Needs to Act Now to Help Puerto Rico
Stop Playing Politics on Immigration
Why We Can't Wait: Reversing the Retreat on Civil Rights - An Introduction to the Civil Rights Section
Mujeres Líderes: Building Latina Political Power

Cristóbal Alex

Partner, Tusk Strategies
Washington, District of Columbia, United States

Summary

Cristóbal Alex is a senior government, political and advocacy leader. He serves as head of Tusk Strategies' D.C. office and plays a leadership role with Tusk Philanthropies. With extensive communications experience, Cristóbal is a well-respected voice on MSNBC and other major outlets and publications. He was selected to serve as one of six fellows to the Georgetown University Institute of Politics and Public Service Fall 2023 Fellows Class.

Cristóbal previously served as the White House Deputy Cabinet Secretary linking the White House and Cabinet, and supporting agency coordination on a portfolio of the President Biden's top priorities, including the historic American Rescue Plan and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, and a whole-of-government approach to promote equity. Among Biden for President's first hires, Cristóbal served as a Senior Advisor to Joe Biden where he helped develop and implement state and national strategy, including the primary campaign's political and coalition efforts, co-led progressive outreach, and served on the Biden-Sanders Unity Taskforce, and later on the Presidential Transition Team.

Prior to that, Cristóbal was the founding President of the Latino Victory Fund helping elect more than 70 candidates to office, from the school board to the U.S. Senate. After successfully building the organization, Cristóbal served as Hillary for America's National Deputy Director of Voter Outreach and Mobilization where he managed a team to register, persuade, and mobilize the core coalition groups that form the base of the Democratic Party as well as the Expansion States program to elect Democrats up and down the ballot in 37 states.

Before his transition into politics, Cristóbal spent five years working with George Soros' Open Society Foundations and the Ford Foundation where he managed more than \$75M in grants to strengthen and protect our democracy. Cristóbal started his career

as a civil rights lawyer with MacDonald Hoague & Bayless, one of the nation's leading law firms, and led the National Campaign to Restore Civil Rights. A native of El Paso, Texas, Cristóbal received his J.D. from the University of Washington where he served as student body president.

Experience

Tusk Strategies

Partner, Head of D.C. Office

June 2022 - Present (2 years 6 months)

Washington DC

Georgetown University's Institute of Politics and Public Service

Fellow

August 2023 - December 2023 (5 months)

Washington DC-Baltimore Area

The biggest names in politics, journalism, and public service are going back to school. Our Fellows Program connects students with political leaders to learn from one another and tackle some of the biggest political challenges of the day.

MSNBC

Political Analyst

August 2022 - August 2023 (1 year 1 month)

The White House

White House Deputy Cabinet Secretary

January 2021 - June 2022 (1 year 6 months)

Biden-Harris Transition Team

Presidential Transition

November 2020 - January 2021 (3 months)

Biden for President

Senior Advisor to Joe Biden

April 2019 - November 2020 (1 year 8 months)

Latino Victory Project

Founding President

2014 - March 2019 (5 years)

Hillary for America

Deputy Director of Voter Outreach and Mobilization

June 2016 - November 2016 (6 months)

Brooklyn, New York

Ford Foundation

Program Officer

August 2011 - November 2013 (2 years 4 months)

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Open Society Foundations

Program Officer

January 2009 - August 2011 (2 years 8 months)

National Campaign to Restore Civil Rights

Director

December 2006 - December 2008 (2 years 1 month)

MacDonald Hoague & Bayless

Civil Rights Attorney

August 2003 - December 2006 (3 years 5 months)

Washington Court of Appeals

Law Clerk

May 2001 - July 2003 (2 years 3 months)

Education

University of Washington School of Law

Doctor of Law (J.D.) · (2001)