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About

The strategic policy insights, strategies, and counsel that Laurie Rubiner provides to clients are not just products of knowing her way around the halls of Congress. While her guidance is undoubtedly informed by her 25-plus years of experience on the Hill, Laurie's ability to transform broad policy objectives into concrete action and legislation makes her an invaluable resource for private companies, not-for-profit entities, advocacy organizations, and others.

Senior government relations counsel in the firm's Washington, D.C., office, Laurie brings a 360-degree view to her work. She complements her quarter-century working in senior positions for legislators and policymakers with the perspectives gained from serving in leadership roles at some of the country's most prominent advocacy organizations. Having worked on both sides of the aisle and sat on both sides of the policymaking table, Laurie understands the pressure points, priorities, and perspectives of all constituencies critical to moving the policy needle. She knows who to talk to, what to say, and when to say it, and she leverages those insights to develop approaches best suited to accomplish her clients' goals.

In her current role, Laurie works with a wide range of clients to help them advance their priorities or protect their interests across the policy spectrum. From consumer and patient privacy to health care to technology to any of the myriad policy issues that intersect with her clients' operations or objectives, Laurie's efforts are collaborative, holistic, practical, and impactful.

Laurie spent most of her years on the Hill working in the Senate. From 2011 to 2017, Laurie served as chief of staff to Senator Richard Blumenthal, where she helped the Senator determine and implement his long and short-range goals, legislative strategy, and policy priorities on such issues as women's health, gun violence prevention, and consumer rights.

As legislative director for Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton from 2005 to 2008, Laurie was responsible for developing and managing the Senator's legislative and policy agenda. She was one of the lead members of the team that helped craft the Senator's health care reform agenda that became a key plank of her 2008 presidential campaign.

For nine years, she was a legislative assistant to the late Senator John Chafee and handled issues related to health care, women, poverty, and children. More recently, Laurie served as special counsel to the Senate Judiciary Committee for the nomination of Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court.

Outside of Congress, Laurie has held senior positions with several national policy organizations. She served as vice president for the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, where she led the organization's implementation of national and state strategies for improved public policies through government relations, grassroots organizing, litigation, and political affairs.

Laurie was executive vice president for Domestic Programs at the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, where she formulated, supervised, and managed the organization's U.S. programs, 65-person staff, and \$33 million annual budget. In this role, Laurie oversaw the Campaign's advocacy at the federal, state, and local levels, as well as its U.S.-focused research, communications, development, and youth advocacy. She assisted with fundraising, including developing relationships with donors, political leaders, and the media, and oversaw the Campaign's newly formed program to create new federal strategies for overdose prevention and treatment.

Laurie also served as a director at the New America Foundation, a nonpartisan think tank in Washington, D.C., and vice president for public policy at the National Partnership for Women & Families.

Related Services

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Georgetown University Law Center, J.D., 2002

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