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Age: 31

Place of Birth: Sitka, Alaska

Occupation: Consultant (COVID-19 data analysis, professional services)

Length of Residency in Alaska: 31 years

Alaskan Communities Lived in: Sitka, 1989-Present

Education:
Sitka High School, 2003-2007 (Class of 2007)
Yale University, 2008-2012 (left early, without a degree, to run for Alaska Legislature)

Political and Government Positions:
Legislator, Alaska House of Representatives, 2013-present
Chair, Sitka Solid Waste Advisory Committee, 2014-2015
Chair/co-chair, State Affairs Committee, Alaska House of Representatives, 2017-present

Business and Professional Positions:
Founder, Alaska Fellows Program (alaskafellows.org), 2014-present
Founder and board member, Outer Coast (outercoast.org), 2016-present
Cofounder and board member, Covid Act Now (covidactnow.org), 2020-present

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Service Organization(s) Membership:
Eagle Scout (Boy Scouts of America)

Special Interests:
Outdoors (mountain running, trail marathons, camping)
Music
Fishing

Position Statement:
I love Southeast Alaska, and I love its way of life. As a representative of Southeast Alaska, I love that my job is to help make our region more vibrant, sustainable, and resilient.

I cannot imagine a better job description. That is why I’m running for reelection; I want to keep working to help make our rainy, island-speckled, beautiful corner of the world a better place.

To get a sense of who I am, let me share a few important principles I believe in:

I serve as an Alaskan, not as a Democrat or a Republican. I believe bipartisanship and civility are as important to our politics as salmon and tourism are to our economy.

I believe in the politics of humility: good ideas are good ideas no matter where they come from, and good people are good people no matter what party they belong to.

Moreover, I believe in the power of good ideas. Good ideas, with competent execution, are the building blocks of progress. While they are sometimes big, most good ideas are small or subtle. I see the legislature as a forum to advance and realize good ideas.

I believe in balanced budgets and the harder, more concrete decisions that come with them. I can’t stand kicking cans down the road.

I really, really like hard work.

I am grateful for your consideration and support.
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