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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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| Oct 2009 – Jan 2011 | Owner | Lenexa, KS |
| <i>Sharp Connections, LLC</i> | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ “Translating Politics Into English” www.sharpconnections.biz▪ Political communications consulting for state and local elected officials and candidates: newsletters, websites, direct mail content composition and coordination.▪ VoteSharp web application: Reconstructs the Kansas voter registration database into a communications tracking and campaign tool www.sharpconnections.biz/votesharp-app.▪ Politics for Real People seminars: board, small group, small business, and non-profit training to communicate effectively with elected officials and be your own lobbyist. | | |
| Oct 2009 – Jan 2011 | Director, Community Relations | Kansas City, KS |
| <i>University of Kansas Medical Center</i> | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Served as public liaison between medical center and community, business, and philanthropic organizations, community leaders and legislators.▪ Interim Communications Director, Dec 2009 – June 2010: Led communications efforts for radio, print, television and internet, including crisis communications.▪ Interim Event Planner, Jul – Dec 2010: Planned & executed black-tie gala for 600 physician and nurse alumni and community members. | | |
| Jul 2009 – present | Trustee | Overland Park, KS |
| <i>Johnson County Community College</i> | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Elected in a county-wide election to a four-year term serving Kansas’ largest undergraduate institution.▪ Serve on JCCC Foundation Executive Board and Learning Quality Committee. | | |
| Jul 2007 – Oct 2009 | Public Relations Officer | Lenexa, KS |
| <i>CommunityAmerica Credit Union</i> | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Primary focus areas include managing 20+ chamber of commerce relationships and community partnerships, serving as primary media contact, strategic distribution of corporate philanthropic dollars, and supervising the relationship with the Kansas City T-Bones baseball team as the naming rights sponsor of CommunityAmerica Ballpark in Kansas City, Kansas. | | |
| 2003-2008 | Kansas State Representative, 17 th District | Topeka, KS |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Committees served: Vice-Chair, Government Efficiency & Technology, Commerce & Labor, Transportation, Health & Human Services, Insurance, Ethics & Elections, Governmental Organizations & Elections, Higher Education▪ Secretary/Treasurer, Johnson County Delegation 2003-2007▪ Council of State Governments – 2004 Henry Toll Legislative Fellow▪ American Council of Young Political Leaders - 2003 China delegate | | |

- American Council of Young Political Leaders - 2005 Indonesia/East Timor delegate
- Maintained www.stephaniesharp.com, and composed the “Sharp Record” e-newsletter to thousands of subscribers.

2003-2008 Legislative Communications Consulting Lenexa, KS

- Composed, maintained databases, and sent legislative e-newsletters for Senator Vicki Schmidt, Representatives Don Hill, Rich Proehl, Kay Wolf and former Representative (now District Judge) Jeff Jack.
- Crafted text and graphic design of postal and e-newsletters, press releases, radio and website content for more than a dozen Kansas Senators and Representatives and candidates.

2004-2007 Client Relations Lenexa, KS

The Record Publications

- Designed and composed pieces and developed political and mailing strategy for 50+ state and local campaigns.

EDUCATION

1998 – 2000 George Washington University Washington, DC

The Elliott School of International Affairs

Master of Arts, International Affairs

- Major: International Security Policy

1994 – 1998

Southwestern College

Winfield, KS

Bachelor of Philosophy, International Politics

Bachelor of Arts, French

- Graduated Magna cum Laude

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND AWARDS

2004 Toll Fellow, Council of State Governments

Member, Congressman Kevin Yoder’s Educational Advisory Committee

Board Member, Shawnee Mission Committee for Excellence

Lenexa Vision 2030 – Chair, Strong Economic Base Task Force

2008 Southwestern College Young Alumni Award

Leadership Lenexa Class of 2008

Leadership Kansas Class of 2007

2004 Co-Host, “Inside Kansas Politics” radio show, Saturday mornings, 10:00 am, 1510 AM

Pi Gamma Mu International Social Science Honor Society