# Sean Nottoli

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# **Background**

As a representative of the International Republican Institute, former campaign manager and representative of the NRA, I have worked with elected officials and their constituents around the world to enhance the democratic process and strengthen the relationships with the United States and its allies. I have experience in coordinating with foreign heads of state and diplomats from Europe, Asia, Africa and Central America to achieve collective and US policy goals. Managing conservative campaigns and international programs has helped me to attain in depth experience in Public Speaking, International Relations, Political Campaigning, and Legislative Affairs on national and international levels.

# **Education**

## **CLEMSON UNIVERSITY, AUGUST 2012 - AUGUST 2017**

Graduated with a degree in Political Science and minor in Japanese. Worked closely with mentors Dr. Xiaobo Hu and Dr. Woodard in a variety of formats, from being a decorated member of International United Nations Conferences, to conducting exit polling after midterm primary elections.

### NAGOYA UNIVERSITY OF FOREIGN STUDIES, AUGUST 2016-AUGUST 2017

Successfully completed one full year of academic study in Japanese, earning a certificate of completion for academic success. Tutored in English for two Japanese Universities while studying Japanese language and culture.

# **Work Experience**

# INTERNATIONAL REPUBLICAN INSTITUTE (IRI)- TRANSATLANTIC STRATEGY, MAY 2019- PRESENT

- Created and managed programs funded by the USG, including the, the "Transatlantic Security Initiative" (TSI) approved and funded by the National Endowment for Democracy (NED)- working to strengthen NATO and America's military alliances across Central and Eastern Europe.
- Organizes and hosts international events both in US and abroad, brining top level decision makers
  together to discuss strategies to defend democracy from foreign threat and strengthen transatlantic ties
  between United States and its Allies. Facilitated trips, trips, talks, and conferences for political party and
  foreign elected officials.

# NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION-(NRA) INSTITUTE OF LEGISLATIVE ACTION CAMPAIGN FIELD REPRESENTATIVE, AUGUST 2017-MAY 2019

• Built grassroots networks, managed planned and executed campaigns for NRA endorsed candidates for Gubernatorial, Senate, and local elections in Virginia and West Virginia.

#### GOVERNOR JEB BUSH - PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN, NOVEMBER 2015 - FEBRUARY 2016

• Firsthand experience in Grassroots activism for the Bush Campaign, including Activism Activities like Door Knocking and phone banking, along with team engagement.

### STATE/FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE EXPERIENCE, MAY 2015 - FEBRUARY 2017

• Campaign Manager- Penry Gustafson for SC House of Rep. District 52.

- Intern to Congressman Mark Sanford Constituency Services and Database Management, wrote and edited letters to constituents, used IQ system, improved office efficiency.
- Intern to State Treasurer Curtis Loftis Aided in writing and editing legislation (SC State Budget), worked on local government investment pool.

# **AWARDS/ACHIEVEMENTS**

- 2020 America's Future Foundation Writing Fellow
- 2016-2017 US Department of State Gilman Scholarship Recipient (full scholarship)
- 2016-2017 Clemson Dean's Scholarship
- Model United Nations awards including "Most Outstanding Delegate" (multiple conferences)

# **SUPPLEMENTARY**

- Language skills- Conversant in Japanese, taught English while in Japan
- Small business owner of "Sean's Art LLC"- have built a social media presence of over 20k followers since January 2023
- Published author of several editorials and op-eds on topics from Baltic security, Korean, Chinese and Japanese politics, and the stories of youth overcoming the struggles caused by the impacts of communism in central and eastern Europe.
- Speaker on behalf of Clemson University of the 2014 Kakehashi Project in Japan