

Gallatin Public Affairs

Paul Rainey

PARTNER & SHAREHOLDER

Paul Rainey brings more than 20 years of experience navigating Oregon's political environment to Gallatin's government relations team. A partner who works in our Portland office, Paul is a tested political strategist with a reputation for legislative advocacy and implementing competitive campaigns, winning highly contested races at the local and state levels.

Prior to joining Gallatin, Paul Rainey was the Caucus Administrator for the Senate Republican Office, guiding a diverse group of Senators in all aspects of the legislative and campaign process. As the staff liaison for leadership negotiations, Paul brings valuable insight into what transpires behind the scenes in the Oregon State Capitol and how to strategically navigate the legislative process.

Earlier in his career, Paul started cultivating relationships and navigating the legislative process as a contract lobbyist, solving problems on behalf of clients by working to find consensus with state agencies and elected officials on a range of topics important to Oregonians. He also brings knowledge and experience working with large trade associations from his time with the Oregon Association of Realtors, working his way up to become their Director of Public Policy.

Paul is a native Oregonian who earned his Bachelor of Science from George Fox University in Newberg, Oregon. Outside of work, he enjoys spending time outdoors and is an avid sports fan. Paul and his wife live in Portland, Oregon, with their two children.

The Navigator

"Oregon's political pace is extremely fast and constantly changing. You need to be diligent and stay focused to implement your plans and reach collective goals. You also need to be willing to constantly adapt strategically and make the changes necessary to successfully navigate and influence the political process to succeed."

EXPERTISE

State and local government State and local lobbying Strategic campaigns Issue management Political negotiations Grassroots outreach

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BACKGROUND

20 years in Oregon politics and government Caucus Administrator, Senate Republican Office Executive Director, The Leadership Fund Director of Public Policy, Oregon Association of Realtors Contract Lobbyist, NW Public Affairs