Governor's Office Organizational Chart

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Governor Gavin Newsom

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Chief of Staff

Julia Diamond
Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff & Deputy Chief of Staff

Chief of Staff to the First Partner
Holly Martinez

OFFICE OF THE FIRST PARTNER

Mackenzie Smith
Communications Director to the First Partner

Margaret Arsala
Director of CA for All Women

Caitlin Ruppel
Director of CA for All Kids

Isabel Huerta
Director of Digital to the First Partner

Chloe Gudino
Director of Scheduling and Special Assistant to the First Partner

Marcella Bertolino
Scheduler to the First Partner

PROTOCOL

Becca Prowda
Director of Protocol

Kayla Ungar
Protocol

SCHEDULING & EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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Director of Scheduling

Maya Hsu
Deputy Director of Scheduling

Chris D'Angelo
Special Assistant to the Governor

Isabella Marshall
Executive Assistant to the Executive Office

MANSION

Lane Jorgensen
Maintenance Chief, Mansion

Appointments Secretary
Morgan Carvajal

Raquel Ramirez
Special Assistant to the Appointments Secretary

APPOINTMENTS

Aubrey Anthony
Deputy Appointments Secretary

Samantha Diaz
Deputy Appointments Secretary

Curtis Lang
Deputy Appointments Secretary

Elissa Ouchida
Deputy Appointments Secretary

Rochelle Schmidt
Deputy Appointments Secretary

Diana Essex
Appointments Administrator

Elizabeth Barton-Mattos
Appointments Manager and Assistant Administrator

Christina Alligood
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Lesly Valtierra
Appointments Assistant

Senior Advisor for Communications
Bob Salladay

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Deputy Director of Advance

Sebastian Beffa
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Director of Media Operations

Phillip Killion
Deputy Director of Media Production

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Communications Director

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Chief Deputy Director of Communications

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Deputy Director of Communications

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Maddie Johnson
Assistant Deputy Director of Rapid Response

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Communications Specialist

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Press Aide

Dafne Cruz Rodriguez
Press Aide

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Press Aide

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Photographer

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Digital Communications Director

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Deputy Director of Digital

Alex Brase
Deputy Director of Digital

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Jamie Callahan

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Legislative Affairs Secretary
Christine Aurre

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Victor Reyes-Morelos
LA Deputy Regional Director

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Chief Deputy Legislative Secretary

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Deputy Legislative Affairs Secretary

Megan Mekelberg
Deputy Legislative Affairs Secretary

Sam Miller
Deputy Legislative Affairs Secretary and Chief of Legislative Operations

Matthew Fleming
Deputy Legislative Affairs Secretary

Myles White
Deputy Legislative Affairs Secretary

Paula Villescaz
Deputy Legislative Affairs Secretary

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Legislative Assistant

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CABINET

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Chief Deputy Cabinet Secretary

Catherine Baxter
Deputy Cabinet Secretary

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Director of Federal Affairs (Washington, DC)

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Deputy Cabinet Secretary and Senior Advisor for Emergency Management

Richard Figueroa
Deputy Cabinet Secretary

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Dwight Payne
Deputy Cabinet Secretary & Senior Advisor for Path and Purpose

Sandy Uribe
Chief Deputy Cabinet Secretary

Michael Redding
Deputy Cabinet Secretary & Senior Advisor for Public Safety

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Deputy Cabinet Secretary

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Matt Lee
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Jinnifer Pitcher
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PAROLE & CLEMENCY

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Deputy Legal Affairs Secretary

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Senior Advisor for Clemency

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Director of Operations
Miroslava de la O

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Vanessa Mercado
Personnel Analyst and Internship Manager

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Chief Information Security Officer

Thang Diep
Chief Cloud Infrastructure Officer

Alex Wen
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Anthony Barrios
Technical Support Specialist

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Network Administrator

Faisal Zadran
IT Specialist

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Business Analyst/ Project Manager

OPERATIONS

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Chief Deputy Director of Operations

RECEPTION

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Receptionist

CONSTITUENT AFFAIRS & MAILROOM

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