



MAJOR CITIES CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

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MAJOR CITIES CHIEFS ASSOCIATION (MCCA) DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

MCCA Executive Director Laura Cooper announced that she has selected Jason Olin to serve as the new Director of Government Affairs. Jason is a Capitol Hill veteran having served on the staff of the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Homeland Security (CHS) for 5+ years and most recently was a Senior Advisor at a consulting firm focused on homeland security, aviation security, law enforcement and defense.

MCCA President Art Acevedo said, “The work done by our Legislative and Homeland Security Committees is critical to the advancement of the MCCA and Jason’s experience makes him a natural fit. I believe Jason’s pragmatic approach will be of great benefit as the Association continues to lead on issues impacting our communities and national security.”

“Jason was a standout candidate. To have someone join the MCCA Team with first-hand experience in working across the aisle during congressional oversight investigations and drafting and shepherding legislation is a tremendous value add,” said Executive Director Cooper. “Jason will play a key role in both the Legislative and Homeland Security Committees and I am confident he will be a positive influence.”

Olin began his work on Capitol Hill as a Staff Assistant with CHS and quickly worked his way up to the role of Professional Staff Member/Investigator. Jason is recognized for his strong background in national and homeland security policy making, having played a key role in multiple significant Congressional investigations and oversight initiatives. Most notably, Jason was the lead staffer for CHS’ Task Force on Denying Terrorists Entry to the United States, which produced a comprehensive report and accompanying legislation designed to address existing vulnerabilities in U.S. government counterterrorism programs.

A native of New York, Jason graduated summa cum laude, with special honors, from The George Washington University’s Elliott School of International Affairs, where he was a member of the University Honors Program.

“The work of MCCA’s members is critical to our nation’s security and I’m honored to be joining an organization with such a vital mission,” said Jason Olin. “I look forward to engaging with leaders in Washington to ensure MCCA’s members have the support they need to carry out their important work. I would like to thank Ms. Cooper, Chief Acevedo and the rest of MCCA Board for this opportunity.”

Olin will officially join the Association December 1, 2019.

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Major Cities Chiefs is a professional association of Chiefs and Sheriffs representing the largest cities in the United States and Canada. Membership is comprised of Chiefs and Sheriffs of the sixty-nine largest law enforcement agencies in the United States and nine largest in Canada.

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