

## ALAN GILBERT

### PROFILE

Alan Gilbert is a policy and legislative specialist and attorney with over fifteen years of experience in Washington, D.C. He previously was Senior Vice President and Counsel for Federal Affairs, at the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA). For 3½ years, Alan directed the legislative and political strategy for the biopharmaceutical industry in the United States – the industry did not lose a single legislative battle under his leadership. Prior to PhRMA, President George W. Bush in 2002 appointed Alan to be Special Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy (Health), to help lead the White House and Administration’s health care agenda. Before moving to the White House, he was a senior legislative advisor to Secretary of Health and Human Service Tommy Thompson. Alan also served as chief health counsel to U.S. Senator Judd Gregg (NH), and as a key health advisor to several Members of the United States House of Representatives. He recently launched his own consulting practice where he specializes in legislative and regulatory public policy advocacy.

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### HIGHLIGHTS

*January 2009 -- Present.* **Gilbert Consulting, LLC.** Launched a firm to provide clients with individually tailored public policy services, including legislative and regulatory strategies in health policy areas such as private-sector employee health benefits, federal Medicare and Medicaid issues, federal health care budget issues, health information technology, FDA and pharmaceutical issues, uninsured issues, and public health. Work with clients to develop, coordinate, and implement individual client strategic goals and objectives, political campaigns, and government and lobbying efforts.

*May 2005 – December 2008.* **Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America. Senior Vice President and Counsel, Federal Affairs.** Responsible for directing overall legislative and political strategy on industry issues. Developed, coordinated, and executed political and legislative strategies and tactics for all domestic health issues affecting the industry, including Medicare and Medicaid, FDA and drug safety, drug importation, follow-on biologics, and patent reform. Policy and political expert who personally advised member company CEOs regularly, and coordinated and helped develop effective messages on public policy issues for numerous health care organizations, patient groups, and the public. Directed a Political Action Committee, and oversaw fundraising efforts. Managed a staff of 19 employees and an annual multi-million budget; reorganized the division to realign strategic and political operations to better serve member companies and other divisions within trade association.

*May 2002 – May 2005.* **The White House. George W. Bush, 43<sup>rd</sup> President of the United States. Special Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy.** Developed and led the President’s efforts on medical liability reform; health information technology; FDA and drug safety; small business health care reforms and private health insurance reforms; public health surveillance and influenza and emergency preparedness (including

bioterrorism); NIH research and development; and medical care to veterans and service members. Worked actively with the Congress and outside groups to accomplish the President's legislative agenda on health policy issues. Frequently represented the President in policy speeches. Worked closely with the President's Senior Staff, the Office of Management and Budget, National Economic Council, Council of Economic Advisors, the Office of Science and Technology Policy, and Office of National AIDS Policy, and the President's Cabinet and Subcabinet.

*February 2001 – May 2002. The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Secretary Tommy Thompson. Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislation (Health).* Key legislative advisor to Secretary Thompson on national health policy issues, pending federal legislation, and regulatory matters before HHS and other Executive Branch departments. Coordinated the development of health care proposals and positions for the Administration, and worked with Congress to achieve the President's agenda. Responsible for developing the Administration's position and was key negotiator in U.S. House and Senate for the Public Health and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act of 2002; responsible for developing revisions to medical records privacy regulation under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act.

*January 1997 – February 2001. U.S. Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions. Senator Judd Gregg. Chief Health Counsel.* Health advisor and chief health counsel to Senator Judd Gregg. Developed and coordinated Senator Gregg's legislative and policy initiatives on health care, oversaw hearings and negotiated legislation. Developed and was key negotiator for patient protection legislation in Senate committee, during floor passage, and throughout House-Senate conference. Analyzed, drafted, and participated in tobacco legislation in Senate committee and during floor debate. Represented the Senator in negotiations on the Food and Drug Administration Modernization Act.

*September 1993 – January 1997. United States House of Representatives.* Legislative assistant to several House members providing policy advice and legislative expertise on all health policy issues, including Medicare, Medicaid, FDA, NIH, and health care financing.

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## **EDUCATION :**

Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. JD, 1990; BS International Trade and Finance, 1986.