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STRENGTHS

- 🗣️ **Client Counsel**
Led difficult conversations with clear recommendations and timely follow through, helping clients make confident decisions during active programs.
- 📰 **Media Strategy**
Matched stories with reporters, creators, podcasts, and social channels. Colleagues sought this judgment when outreach needed sharper focus.
- 👥 **Team Development**
Delegated real ownership and coached staff through feedback. Junior teammates gained confidence in writing, pitching, and client meetings.
- 📊 **Financial Stewardship**
Reviewed budgets, staffing, expenses, and billing before risks grew. Account teams gained clearer choices around scope and delivery.
- 💡 **Creative Thinking**
Connected product news with culture and internet trends, often finding a more timely angle after a brainstorm changed direction.

SKILLS

<u>Media Relations</u>	<u>Client Leadership</u>
<u>Earned Media</u>	<u>Account Growth</u>
<u>Team Mentoring</u>	
<u>Consumer Technology PR</u>	
<u>Integrated Communications</u>	
<u>Traditional Media</u>	
<u>Social First Media</u>	
<u>Creator Relations</u>	
<u>Influencer Relations</u>	
<u>Program Measurement</u>	

SUMMARY

Consumer technology communications leader with eight years of **public relations** agency experience directing **earned first** programs, media strategy, client relationships, and integrated account teams. Builds campaigns around product announcements, cultural moments, events, creators, **social first channels**, podcasts, newsletters, and traditional media while maintaining a clear view of **consumer technology** and internet trends. Leads multiple accounts, mentors junior and mid level staff, manages budgets and profitability, and turns analytics into practical client counsel. Strong writer, editor, presenter, and media strategist with experience in new business pitches, account growth, program measurement, and senior stakeholder communications. Uses Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and AI supported workflows to improve research, planning, reporting, and team efficiency. Ready to contribute thoughtful counsel, reliable execution, and meaningful client value.

EXPERIENCE

Senior Account Supervisor, Consumer Technology

Signal House Communications 📅 January 2025 - Present 📍 New York, NY

Directs integrated earned media programs for consumer technology accounts, serving as senior client partner while guiding strategy, **account teams**, budgets, measurement, and delivery quality.

- Led product launch narratives across **cultural moments**, executive stories, events, and always on media engagement.
- Directed client **meetings** and recommendations, keeping business objectives central to communications planning and escalation decisions.
- Shaped outreach across technology media, consumer outlets, podcasts, newsletters, **creators**, and influencers for sustained relevance.
- Managed **budgets**, staffing allocations, expenses, billing, and profitability reviews, informing timely scope decisions.
- Coached junior staff on pitching, writing, **client correspondence**, reporting, and presentation development against clear standards.
- Used coverage analytics, audience signals, and AI supported research to refine tactics and counsel.

Account Supervisor

North & Finch PR 📅 March 2023 - December 2024 📍 New York, NY

Managed concurrent consumer and technology public relations programs, combining client counsel, creative development, team workflow, financial oversight, and account growth.

- Directed launch and brand storytelling programs across several concurrent account calendars and event plans.
- Built client confidence through structured status meetings, issue anticipation, and recommendations grounded in **industry developments**.
- Connected products with **cultural conversations** through **press materials**, pitching plans, creator outreach, and event support.
- Delegated assignments across writers, media specialists, and junior staff, strengthening accuracy and deadline readiness.
- Monitored budgets, hours, expenses, **billing** inputs, and scope utilization, protecting delivery and account economics.
- Built renewal and expansion **presentations** around unmet **communications** needs and incremental program concepts.

Senior Account Executive

Common Thread Public Relations 📅 June 2020 - February 2023 📍 Brooklyn, NY

Executed earned media programs for consumer brands and technology **products**, managing client workstreams, media relationships, reporting, events, and junior team support.

- Developed story angles and outreach plans for national media, digital publishers, and emerging social channels.

- **Audio Publishing:** Podcasts, newsletters, digital publishers
- **Public Relations:** Earned media, media relations, press materials
- **Measurement Tools:** Coverage analytics, audience signals, program reports
- **Account Finance:** Budgets, fee estimates, billing, invoicing
- **Client Delivery:** Status meetings, presentations, brainstorming
- **Writing Practice:** Press releases, pitches, editing
- **Artificial Intelligence:** AI supported research, AI enabled workflows, efficiency tools

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Member, Public Relations Society of America, New York Chapter, supporting professional relationships and communications practice.
- Staff Development Mentor, Signal House Communications, building stronger writing, media relations, and client service capabilities across teams.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Work Status : Authorized to work in United States. No sponsorship required.

REFERENCES

AVAILABLE ON REQUEST