

Life In Brief

Education Summary:

- MA, International Relations, Princeton University
- BA, Mathematics, Middlebury College

Work History:

- Deputy National COVID Coordinator to President Joe Biden, 2021-Present
- Deputy Campaign Manager, Biden for President, 2020-2021
- Boston Consulting Group, 2017-2020
 - o Partner, 2019-2020
 - o Principal, 2017-2019
- Deputy Assistant to the President, Advisor to White House Chief of Staff, 2013-2017
- National Security Council, 2011-2013
 - Senior Advisor to the Deputy National Security Advisor, 2012-2013
 - o Director for Defense Policy, 2011-2012
- Next Generation National Security Fellow, Center for New American Security, 2010-2011
- Pentagon, US Department of Defense, Office of the Secretary of Defense for Policy, 2007-2011
 - Special Assistant to Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, 2009-2011
 - o Presidential Management Fellow, 2007-2009
- Analyst, SAIC, 2003-2005

Quick Summary

Experienced Bush and Obama administration national security and domestic policy professional known for her work responding to the opioid epidemic; working with National COVID Coordinator Jeff Zients to accomplish Biden's ambitious COVID-19 response plans

- After receiving her masters in international relations from Princeton University, Quillian began working in defense policy at the Pentagon and the National Security Council; led interagency work on nuclear weapons and ballistic missile defense programs
- As deputy assistant to President Obama and advisor to his White House Chief of Staff, Denis McDonough, she provided advice on national security and domestic policy issues and managed the White House's crisis response efforts; heavily involved in the administration's efforts to combat gun violence and instrumental its interagency response to the opioid crisis
- Appointed deputy national COVID coordinator in 2020 after spending several years in the private sector at Boston Consulting Group and serving as deputy campaign manager for Biden for President; helped lead campaign operations such as the campaign's approach to COVID-19 safety for the candidates, campaign staff, and volunteers
- In her Biden administration role, Quillian is focused on publishing clear guidance for state health officials and swiftly rolling out a range of federal initiatives to speed up distribution of the vaccine, including creating additional vaccination sites and dispatching mobile units to rural areas; breaking from the Trump administration's approach, Biden's team will push all available vaccine doses every week, rather than reserving half the supply to ensure those who receive the first shot can complete the two dose sequence

Approach and Motivations

Known for interagency coordination and crisis response efforts, Quillian brings a national security background and consultant-style mindset to the White House





- Drawing on her time at Boston Consulting Group, Quillian is recognized for her consultantstyle approach to problem solving and coordination
- Selected for her time coordinating White House crisis responses despite concerns raised about her lack of public health background, Quillian will leverage her experience working to combat the opioid crisis to address COVID-19 concerns
- Gained deep knowledge of government cooperation while coordinating interagency Department of Defense and National Security Council work on US nuclear weapons and ballistic missile defense programs; will draw on coordination experience to attempt to ensure an effective federal COVID-19 response
- National security background consistent with Biden administration approach to COVID-19 as a threat to national security

Professional Affiliations

 Member, J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board, 2017-2020

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