

Kristin Strickland joins Cornerstone/GSA team

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ATLANTA, GA -- Kristin Strickland has joined Cornerstone Communications Group as an Account Manager and Public and Media Relations Advisor. Kristin will serve as the GSA Member Services Manager and will help manage the GSA-PAC and GSA's grassroots political efforts with Cornerstone VP Michael McPherson. Cornerstone President James E. "Jet" Toney announced the move today.

A former news and information writer in the Georgia House of Representatives Communication Office, Kristin brings the experience of two state legislative sessions to Cornerstone. At the State Capitol, she helped manage media relations for 179 state representatives, a responsibility that GSA Executive Secretary Jet Toney performed three decades earlier. Kristin will also assist GSA Communication Committee Chair Dr. Kathy Stack with publication of timely, relevant information on the GSA website and in the newsletter, *scope*.

Kristin has served in public relations roles with a variety of organizations, including Georgia 4-H and the Greater Columbus Georgia Chamber of Commerce. Graduating magna cum laude from Columbus State University, Kristin holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science. She is also currently pursuing a Masters of Arts in Journalism from the University of Memphis.

"We are pleased to welcome Kristin to the Cornerstone/GSA team," Jet Toney said. "Kristin brings excellent media relations skills to both organizations and a working knowledge of the legislative and state government processes."

"We are excited for Heather Groover who now moves her career location to the American Cancer Society," Toney said. "Without question, I am already feeling withdrawal symptoms and some depression over Heather's decision to leave Cornerstone. However, I realize that she will enjoy expanded professional opportunities at ACS, and I can only wish her the very best."

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