# **STEVEN WINTER**

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### **EDUCATION**

2011 YALE UNIVERSITY

New Haven, Connecticut

B.A., Philosophy, with distinction

Magna Cum Laude

2013 - 2014 **SOLAR ENERGY INTERNATIONAL** 

Paonia, Colorado

Solar Electric Design and Installation and Battery-Based Solar Electric Design

### LANGUAGE SKILLS

Spanish

Moderate working proficiency

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

 New Haven, Connecticut

Executive Director of Climate and Sustainability

- Lead City climate and sustainability initiatives in partnership with City departments, community organizations, and residents
- Began initiatives related to solar energy, energy efficiency, and materials
  management aimed at implementing climate mitigation and adaptation
  solutions that intersect with immediate challenges facing city residents

# 2017 - Dec 2022 CATALYST COOPERATIVE

New Haven, Connecticut

Chief Financial Officer, Co-Founder

- Managed business startup and administration of worker-owned cooperative focused on development of an open source platform for energy systems data
- Lead project management and execution of deliverables for both the cooperative's open-source database and partner engagements with leading energy-related advocacy nonprofits, quasi-governmental organizations, and energy-focused university programs
- Research federal and state regulations governing electric and gas
  utilities, including location-based decarbonization and renewable
  energy investment incentives, power plant asset depreciation, natural
  gas system expansion subsidies, and renewable energy portfolio
  standards
- Assisted in data aggregation and data cleaning of EIA, EPA, and FERC

# 2015 – 2016 CLEAN ENERGY ACTION

Boulder, Colorado

Operations Director

- Coordinated partnership with Climate Policy Initiative, assisting in securing grant funding from family foundations and providing data to analyze the financial viability of Western US coal power plants and refinancing options to facilitate early retirement of those power plants
- Co-authored report on US delivered coal prices, developed web content regarding western energy policy issues, and produced annual report to guide organization to \$50,000 in revenues

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 Led planning and organization of organization's first Community Energy Fair, bringing together the City and County of Boulder and more than 30 clean energy businesses and nonprofits

### 2012 - 2015 BLUE DOT ADVOCATES

Boulder, Colorado

Chief Get Shit Done Officer, Board Member

- Guided boutique law firm to revenue increases of over 40% for three consecutive years, bringing revenue from \$300,000 to over \$900,000
- Managed business operations to shift from a \$7,000 net loss prior to my arrival to profits of \$49,000, \$120,000 and \$190,000
- Rebuilt all core infrastructure in cloud-based programs to grow distributed global team from 5 to 14
- Led rebranding of law firm, creation of new website and visual identity, and attainment of B Corp certification
- Led development of <u>impactterms.org</u>, a library of deal terms for impact investment transactions

#### 2010 - 2012 **AMICUS**

New Haven, Connecticut

Chief Financial Officer, Co-Founder

- Co-founded a Y Combinator-backed tech startup to equip nonprofits and political campaigns with a social media-integrated platform for fundraising and outreach
- Recruited and managed a team of 8 to build the first product version
- Built and oversaw all organizational infrastructure: communication, project management, marketing, site testing, and accounting
- Brought in new clients and coordinated customer service
- Assisted in raising initial \$500,000 in investment
- Wrote winning business plan of the Yale Venture Challenge competition

#### **COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP**

#### 2018 - 2022 **CITY OF NEW HAVEN**

New Haven, Connecticut

Alder, Ward 21

- Reworked the City's residential licensing ordinance in conjunction with LCI staff to increase the frequency and coverage of inspections of rental units
- Worked with Alders and City staff to pass resolution to electrify City buildings and vehicle fleet by 2030
- Served as aldermanic representative on City's Environmental Advisory Council and Commission on Equal Opportunities
- Assisted City residents with navigating City administration and resolving issues

#### 2016 - 2018 NATIONAL POPULAR VOTE CONNECTICUT

New Haven, Connecticut

Co-Founder

 Built 2,000 member grassroots organization and coordinated targeted canvassing, lobbying, and voter outreach with affiliated national nonprofit to complete decade-long effort to pass National Popular Vote Interstate Compact legislation

### 2012 - 2016 PICKLEBRIC URBAN FARM

Boulder, Colorado

Co-Founder

- Co-founded and managed affordable housing and urban farming cooperative
- Oversaw financials and building management for group of 10

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 Led advocacy effort to pass legislation to facilitate legal development of cooperative housing

### 2014 - 2016 GRID ALTERNATIVES

Denver, Colorado

Solar Volunteer

 Assisted a nonprofit solar installer with photovoltaic installations for low-income homeowners

## 2010 - 2011 CITIZENS FOR POLICE REFORM

New Haven, Connecticut

Organizer

- Organized police reform organization to mobilize a coalition of affected parties
- Led series of meetings, rallies and marches resulting in the implementation of a new 24 hour, online complaint process and the mounting of cameras on all City police cruisers

## 2008 U.S. SENATOR SHELDON WHITEHOUSE

Providence, Rhode Island

Policy Intern

- Researched and reported corporate giving patterns of multinational oil companies links to policy institutes denying climate change
- Assisted in completion of Senate casework

#### 2007 RHODE ISLAND WIND ALLIANCE

Providence, Rhode Island

Political Action Coordinator

- Wrote and edited biweekly newsletter
- Created organization's first mass email list and utilized Google groups to coordinate activists
- Engaged citizens, industry stakeholders and the Rhode Island Energy Resources Commissioner to create a lobbying bloc for wind energy