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Sean Griffin serves as the Associate Vice Chancellor for Governmental Relations and Health Affairs at The University of Texas System, focusing on health-related issues, where he has been responsible for securing appropriations of more than \$30 million for health-related research and academic programs across the state. Sean led the transformation of a regional satellite campus to the newly expanded multi-institution UT Center at Laredo, acts as the liaison between the state and the Texas Child Mental Health Care Consortium, and has helped shape countless legislative efforts to the benefit of the UT System and its eight health-related institutions and medical schools and the students and patients they serve.

Sean has more than fifteen years of experience working inside and around the Texas Capitol crafting and implementing policy

and securing appropriations. He served in various roles within the Legislature, including as a legislative aide, policy director, deputy chief of staff, and chief of staff for one of the most senior and longest-serving senators in Texas history. In these capacities, he led policy teams and directly oversaw the passage of more than 350 individual pieces of legislation utilizing his expertise of the legislative process and his close, bipartisan relationships with legislators and their staff.

He is well-versed on the state budget appropriations process, having served as the lead budget staffer for a senator on the Senate Finance Committee during two budget cycles, including during the senator's membership on the powerful Legislative Budget Board.

During his time in the Legislature, Sean worked on a wide and diverse array of important issues, including those in healthcare, higher education, state contracting and procurement, capital funding, economic development, local government, oil and gas, natural resources, redistricting, transportation, and others.

He was the Founding Principal of SG Governmental Relations, a state and local government consulting and lobbying firm, where he advised clients in higher education and business and occupational regulatory issues.

Sean holds B.A. (Philosophy) and B.S. (Psychology) degrees from Texas A&M University, an M.P.Aff. from the LBJ School of Public Affairs at The University of Texas at Austin, and a J.D. from The University of Texas School of Law.

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