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**TRENTON** – Governor Mikie Sherrill today announced several initial front office hires. Under the direction of Chief of Staff Alex Ball, Chief Operating Officer Kellie Doucette, and Chief Counsel Tim Lydon, the team will execute the governor’s vision to lower costs and make state government more accountable to the people.

“My Administration is on a mission to deliver for all of New Jersey,” **said Governor Sherrill**. “I am thrilled to hit the ground running with this team of dedicated public servants who are committed to tackling our nation’s affordability crisis, better protecting our kids online, and demanding government transparency.”

“We are bringing together an impressive team of individuals from diverse backgrounds – each ready to take on the most pressing challenges facing New Jerseyans,” **said Alex Ball, Chief of Staff**. “I look forward to working with this team to ensure Trenton is accountable to our state’s 9.5 million residents.”

The Governor’s staff will include the following:

- Scott Altieri – Director of Labor
- Kimelle Ash – Deputy Director for Advance
- Nabila Baptiste – Chief of Staff to the Lt Governor
- Blaine Boyd – Senior Director for Federal Affairs
- Nicole Brossoie – Senior Director for Appointments
- Juliana Conoline – Deputy Director of Administration & Personnel
- Emma Corrado – Deputy Chief Operating Officer and Senior Director for Operational Performance
- Megan Coyne – Digital Director
- Aaron Creuz – Deputy Chief Counsel for Authorities
- Caitlin Duffy – Senior Director of Protocol
- Carter Elliott – Deputy Chief of Staff and Senior Director for IGA and Outreach
- Todd Fisher – Senior Director of Strategic Initiatives & Economic Opportunity
- Christina Fullam – Chief Ethics Officer
- Vincent Funelas – Director of Constituent Relations
- Andrea Garcia – Deputy Director for Appointments
- Sam Gilman – Senior Strategist for Housing & Affordability
- Jess Harding – Special Assistant to the Governor
- Elizabeth Harris – Deputy Chief Counsel
- Eash Haughton – Director of Legislative Affairs
- Sean Higgins – Chief Spokesperson and Senior Advisor
- Julie Jochem – Director for Federal Affairs
- Caroline Jones – Executive Director, Governor's Disaster Recovery Office
- Sophia LoPresti – Deputy Director for Briefings
- Eric Martin – Deputy Director of Scheduling
- Shannon McGee – Director of Operations
- Leslye Moya – Director of IGA
- Deirdre Naughton – Deputy Chief Counsel
- Elizabeth Noll – Senior Strategist for Energy
- Sherron Randall – Deputy Director of Constituent Relations
- Jay Redd – Senior Director for Legislative Affairs
- Vereliz Santana – Director of Advocacy
- Jonah Scharf – Cabinet Secretary
- Steve Sigmund – Senior Advisor for Communications
- Brandon Sitzler – Director of Administration & Personnel
- Scott Suozzi – Chief of Staff to the First Gentleman
- Chris Taylor – Deputy Policy Director
- Catherine Tung – Senior Director for Policy



- Georgia Turvey – Deputy Director for Cabinet Affairs
- Madeline Urbish – Senior Advisor on Energy
- Luke Wolff – Budget Director

Additional announcements will be made as the Sherrill-Caldwell Administration continues to fill key roles on the team.

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