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Center for Progressive Reform Welcomes New Communications Director

Today, the Center for Progressive Reform (CPR) announced that Brian Gumm has joined the organization as its communications director. Gumm will serve alongside the group's staff and Member Scholars in their efforts to protect our health, safety, and environment.

"I'm excited to welcome Brian Gumm to our team," said Matthew Shutz, executive director of CPR. "CPR's network of legal experts has incredible insights into the heated national conversations about environmental health, climate change, and social justice. Brian has a keen sense of how CPR can contribute to those conversations. His background and experience will help us increase the impact of our work and continue to be strong advocates for progressive solutions."

"The secret to CPR's success is the way it combines the most trustworthy academic analysis with clear and actionable prose," said Robert Verchick, president of CPR. "Brian's an expert in that kind of advocacy, and we are thrilled to have him on board."

Gumm comes to CPR after nearly a decade of serving in senior writing and communications positions at the Center for Effective Government, where he worked collaboratively with staff and partner organizations to expand awareness of the crucial roles that government policies and public protections play in our everyday lives. He has also worked with the Alliance for Healthy Homes, American Farmland Trust, and the Center on Wisconsin Strategy.

"I'm thrilled to be joining the staff and scholars at the Center for Progressive Reform," Gumm said. "I've dedicated my professional career to protecting people and the environment, and working with CPR will give me significant opportunities to continue to do just that."

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