



Shefali Razdan Duggal

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Shefali nominated to the Democrats' credentials panel

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Shefali Razdan is officially nominated to the Credentials Committee of the Democratic National Committee for the 2012 convention by DNC chairwoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz.

There are three standing committees for the convention: the Credentials Committee, the Platform Committee and the Rules Committee. There are 31 members on the Credentials Committee, including two co-chairs and four vice-chairs. The co-chairs for the Credentials Committee are Mayor Julian Castro and Bishop Vashti McKenzie.

The primary responsibility of the Credentials Committee is to determine and resolve questions concerning the seating of delegates



Shefali Razdan Duggal with President Obama

and alternates to the convention.

The report of the Credentials Committee is actually the first order of business for the convention.

Born in India and having lived in Cincinnati, Chicago, New York and Boston, Shefali received an MA in Political Communication from New York University and a BS in Mass Communication from Miami University of Ohio.

Shefali told Indian Express: "I am honored to be part of the small group. I look forward to productively participating in the deliberations of the Credentials Committee, both before and during the Democratic National Convention. I was also selected to be an at-large delegate for the State of California at the Democratic National Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina. This is particularly exciting for me because I had the honor of being an at-large delegate for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts at the 2000 Democratic National Convention in Los Angeles, California."

Duggal is a member of President Barack Obama's presidential partners, a member of the National Finance Committee (NFC) for President Obama's 2012 reelection campaign, a co-chair for Obama Victory Trustees (OVT) and a member of the Northern California Finance Committee for President Barack Obama.

Previously, Shefali was active

in Senator Barack Obama's Presidential campaign where she was a trustee for the DNC South Asian American Leadership Council. There she focused on South Asian and Young Professional outreach, co-hosting a number of fundraising events for both the senator and his surrogates.

She also worked with Senator Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign where she was a member of the campaign's Northern California Steering Committee and the Women for Hillary Committee.

Shefali was also on the finance committee for the Kamala Harris for California Attorney General Campaign and was a member of her transition team.

In addition, she was executive director of Indus Women Leaders, a national South Asian women's organization, and is a graduate of Emerge, a political leadership training program for Democratic women.

Shefali was also a board member of the Indian American Leadership Initiative, an organization focused on promoting South Asian political participation.

Earlier in her career, Shefali worked as a political analyst at Staton Hughes, a political strategy firm, and also worked for the MA Democratic Party, NH Democratic party, and Senators Ted Kennedy and Dianne Feinstein.