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Shefali Razdan Duggal with President Barack Obama

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Shefali Razdan Duggal, a longtime Democratic Party activist and raiser of funds, was named a member of the United States Holocaust Memorial Council by President Barack Obama last week.

‘The extraordinary dedication these men and women bring to their new roles will greatly serve the American people,’ Obama said in a White House release. ‘I am grateful they have agreed to serve in this administration and I look forward to working with them in the months and years to come.’

Duggal — who proved to be one of the most effective bundlers in California for the President’s re-election campaign, raising nearly \$1 million — is the first Indian American to be appointed to this 55-mem-

ber council, which comprises largely Jewish Americans.

The council was established by Congress in 1980 to lead the nation in commemorating the Holocaust and to raise private funds for and build the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. Once the museum opened in 1993, the council became the governing board of trustees of the museum.

The council, which meets twice a year, besides the members appointed by the President, also comprises five members each from the US Senate and House of Representatives and three ex-officio members from the Departments of Education, Interior, and State. Presidential appointments serve for a five-year term; 11 members’ terms expire each year.

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Haridwar, Uttarakhand-born Duggal immigrated to the US at age 2 and is currently based in the San Francisco.

In 2010, she was actively involved in Kamala Devi Harris's campaign for attorney general of California, where Harris won after a long drawn out and protracted recount.

Duggal is a member of the Democratic National Committee's National Finance Committee and is the DNC national co-chair for the Women's Leadership Forum.

She is also a member of the Majority Council of Emily's List, an organization dedicated to electing Democratic women to all levels of government.

She was a member of the 2012 Obama for America National Finance Committee, co-chair for Obama Victory Trustees, and a member of the Northern California Finance Committee.

At the Democratic National Convention in 2012 in Charlotte, North Carolina, she served on the National Credentials Committee.

During then senator Obama's 2008 presidential campaign, Duggal was a trustee for the DNC South Asian American Leadership Council, where she focused on South Asian and Young Professional outreach, co-hosting a number of fundraising events for both Obama and his surrogates.

She previously 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.

Before she jumped into the fray of full-time political activism and fundraising, Duggal 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.