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He has served continuously in the Federal Government for eleven years since he was 19 years old; and he has worked on public policy, regulatory, legislative, government relations, and political matters as well as global engagement. He joined Treasury after serving in the U.S. Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs for PSI. Prior to joining Congress, he served in The White House Office of Political Affairs, and spent four years at the U.S. Department of State in Los Angeles, receiving commendations from Republican and Democratic leadership.

Born in Fort Worth, Texas, the son of immigrants, Mr. Abdolrahimi's first job was working the cash register for his family's small business—at the age of 12. He is a graduate of UCLA; American University of Beirut in Lebanon; and Georgetown University Law Center, receiving his B.A., J.D. and LL.M. in national security. Mr. Abdolrahimi speaks several languages critical to U.S. interests, such as Turkish, Persian, Arabic and Spanish. He aspires to follow in the footsteps of an American hero and his mentor, Ambassador Col. Charles W. Hostler, USAF (ret.), and serve as our country's Ambassador.