

Amanda (Grandjean) Gould

Keeping the federal government functioning involves not just our elected officials, but also the hard work of critical support personnel. North Canton native, Amanda (“Mandi”) (Grandjean Gould), serves a critical role as Chief Counsel to United States Senator Bernie Moreno.

Mandi was born in August of 1990 to Charlie and Tam Grandjean in Canton, Ohio. She was raised in North Canton with her brother, Brock, and sister, Carlie. After attending Orchard Hill, Mandi went to the middle school and Hoover High School where she excelled on the swimming and track teams and was inducted into the National Honor Society. She also lifeguarded at Dogwood Pool for many years. She graduated from Hoover in 2009.

Mandi attended Miami University where she earned Bachelor’s degrees in Political Science and Journalism, magna cum laude. During her time at Miami, she interned at the Embassy of Iraq and at the Office of the Speaker of the

United States House of Representatives John Boehner. She was a delegate to the Student Conference on United States Affairs, and, after graduating in 2013, she was the Media and Youth Vote Coordinator for the Stark County Republican Party. Throughout her college career, she was also a member of the Miami Women's Swimming and Diving Team that won a Mid-American Conference Championship her senior year.

Mandi attended the Ohio State University Moritz College of Law from 2013 to 2016 where she earned her Juris Doctorate and graduated with honors. During that time, she interned at the Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, clerked for Judge Daniel R. Hawkins, served as an editor of the Ohio State Law Journal, was a research assistant for election law specialist Daniel Tokaji, and worked as a summer associate at Bricker and Eckler law firm. After graduation, Mandi began working full-time at Bricker and Eckler where her practice focused on election

law, campaign finance, public policy, ballot initiatives, government affairs, ethics, and compliance. In 2019, Mandi was honored with the Miami University Alumni 18 of the Last 9 Award.

In January of 2019, Mandi became the Director of Elections as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State. There, she helped upgrade the cybersecurity and physical security posture of the 88 county boards of election and oversaw the 2020 Presidential Election in Ohio. This led to her promotion to Senior Advisor to the Ohio Secretary of State, where she drafted, help successfully pass and implement the DATA Act to improve election data integrity in Ohio. While at the Secretary of State's Office, she also served as Elected Incoming President to the National Association of State Election Directors. Additionally, she was an advisory board member to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Election Data and Science Lab, member of the National Association of Secretaries of State, and member of the

Bipartisan Policy Center's Election Task Force. In 2023, Mandi took a role as Counselor to the Chairman of the Federal Election Commission in Washington, D.C. before becoming Chief Counsel to Bernie Moreno in 2025. She is responsible for the legal functions of his office, nominations and public policy related to judiciary, homeland security, national security, defense, foreign affairs, law enforcement, congressional oversight, and constitutional issues.

When Mandi is not working to help Ohioans, she is dedicating all of her time and energy to her husband, Mike, and their children, Charlie and Monroe. In her free time, she enjoys teaching Pilates, running, swimming and hiking.