

# Sarah Hurwitz

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**March 30,2021 1:00 pm (MT)**

Presentation- [The Power of Your Words: Finding Your Most Authentic, Influential Voice](#)

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**March 31, 2021 6:30 pm (MT)**

Presentation- [Finding Meaning, Spirituality, and a Deeper Connection to Life - In Judaism \(After Finally Choosing to Look There\)](#)

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**Sarah Hurwitz**  
***First Lady Michelle Obama's Chief Speechwriter (2010-2017) & Author of Here All Along***

Sarah Hurwitz was a White House speechwriter from 2009 to 2017, starting out as a senior speechwriter for President Barack Obama and then serving as chief speechwriter for First Lady Michelle Obama. Sarah worked with Mrs. Obama to craft widely-acclaimed addresses – including her 2016 Democratic National Convention speech and her political speeches during the 2016 campaign cycle – and traveled with the First Lady across America and to five continents. Sarah also worked on policy issues affecting young women and girls as a senior advisor to the White House Council on Women and Girls.

Before working at the White House, Sarah was chief speechwriter for Hillary Clinton during her 2008 presidential primary campaign. She then joined the Obama campaign, serving as a senior speechwriter for then-Senator Obama and helping Michelle Obama draft her 2008 Democratic National Convention speech. Prior to the Clinton and Obama campaigns, Sarah served as deputy chief speechwriter for Senator John Kerry's 2004 presidential campaign, deputy chief speechwriter for General Wesley Clark's primary campaign, and a speechwriter for Senator Tom Harkin of Iowa. Sarah was also a lawyer at the Washington, DC office of Wilmer Hale.

Hurwitz has been profiled in *The Washington Post*, *People.com*, *The Boston Globe*, and *The Guardian*; interviewed on *The Today Show*, *Morning Joe*, *Amanpour & Co.*, and NPR; and featured in *The Forward* as one of 50 Jews who impacted American life in 2016 and 2019. A graduate of Harvard College and Harvard Law School, Hurwitz is the author of *Here All Along: Finding Meaning, Spirituality, and a Deeper Connection to Life -- in Judaism (After Finally Choosing to Look There)*. Michelle Obama tweeted about Hurwitz's book saying, "Sarah Hurwitz is a brilliant writer with a big heart and a kind soul—and I'm sure *Here All Along* will reflect her thoughtfulness and eloquence, which I depended on for so many years. I'm so proud of you, Sarah, for sharing your journey and your voice with the world!"

Hurwitz offers audiences a behind-the-scenes look at life in the White House working for one of the most inspiring and influential women in the world. She also shares her advice on effective storytelling, providing concrete tips for how to create a moving, persuasive narrative that breaks through the noise and has a lasting impact.