



**Jaline Porter**  
**Principal Deputy Spokesperson**  
**US Department of State**

Jalina Porter was sworn in as Principal Deputy Spokesperson at the U.S. Department of State on January 20, 2021. A seasoned communications professional, Ms. Porter previously served in the U.S. House of Representatives as Communications Director for former Congressman Cedric Richmond of Louisiana.

Ms. Porter began her career as a Peace Corps volunteer in the Kingdom of Cambodia where she taught English in Ministry schools and worked with local and international nongovernmental organizations. She has also worked as a strategic communications advisor and trainer for elected officials, national security and foreign policy non-profit organizations, and global media and entertainment corporations.

Ms. Porter is engaged in leading civic and service-based organizations including membership in the Links, Inc., Council on Foreign Relations, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, National Peace Corps Association, and lifetime membership with the Girl Scouts. In 2020, Ms. Porter became a recipient of the prestigious Franklin H. Williams Award from Peace Corps headquarters for her lifetime commitment to public service and humanitarian work. In 2021, Jalina was honored on The Root 100 list as one of the top 100 most influential African-Americans. Born in Louisiana and raised in California, Ms. Porter has also spent several years as a professional dancer.

Ms. Porter holds a Bachelor's Degree in Marketing from Howard University and a Master's Degree in Global Strategic Communications from Georgetown University.