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Gov. Cuomo's family ties to his new state operations director date back to Clinton administration

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ALBANY — The father of Gov. Cuomo's new state operations director once served with the governor in President Bill Clinton's administration.

Cuomo recently named James (Jamie) Rubin, who held several other positions in the administration, to the powerful post that oversees all state agencies.

Rubin's father is Robert Rubin, who began in the Clinton administration in 1993 and served as treasury secretary from 1995 to 1999. He was said to be among those who pushed for the deregulation of Wall Street during his time with Clinton. Cuomo was Clinton's secretary of housing and urban development from 1997 to 2001.

Rubin, a former co-chairman at Goldman Sachs, held a top role at Citigroup after departing Washington.

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Cuomo appointed Jamie Rubin as state operations director to replace James Malatras, who left the administration to head SUNY's Rockefeller Institute of Government.

Jamie Rubin, who graduated from Harvard University and Yale Law School, served as Cuomo's head of New York State Homes and Community Renewal. Before that, he was director of Cuomo's office of storm recovery.

Between December 2012 and August 2013, he served as a senior counsel to federal Housing and Urban Development Secretary Shaun Donovan and New York State director overseeing the federal role in the regional post-Hurricane Sandy rebuilding efforts.