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WORK HISTORY

Principal, Blomquist International

2001-2004; 2009-

Consulting business focused on organizational development, philanthropy and global engagement.

- New clients (2009-present) include: The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation; the Brown Family Philanthropic Foundation; The Seattle Foundation; PATH; Global Washington; HelpAge International; Bridging the Divide; the Pacific Northwest Global Donors Conference; Prosthetics Outreach Foundation; CAREs of Washington; iLEAP; and the Fetzer Institute.
- Previous clients: the Better, Safer World Campaign (now ONE Campaign); Mercy Corps; Grameen Foundation USA; Evans Graduate School of Public Affairs; International Medical Corps; FirstHand Foundation; Glaser Family Foundation; the Russell Family Foundation; VillageReach; Episcopal Relief and Development; and YouthCare.

Vice President and Director-at-Large, Mercy Corps

2004-2009

Responsible for education, advocacy and strategic philanthropy development with corporations, foundations, individuals and civic organizations.

- Develop program concepts with colleagues in areas including urban poverty, information technologies, agriculture, microfinance, and global engagement.
- Create funding partnerships; facilitated grants of over \$20 million from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.
- Oversee private sector relationships including Starbucks, Microsoft, Intel, Boeing and Whole Foods.
- Serve on Senior Leadership Team.
- Create and manage national 15-person Constituency Development team (2004-2007).

Executive Director, Global Partnerships

2000-2001

Directed private foundation focused on private sector support for sustainable solutions to poverty.

- Managed grantmaking programs in microcredit and information technology in Latin America.
- Developed education programs to engage businesses in poverty alleviation work overseas.
- Oversaw marketing, public relations and communications activities.
- Broadened role and activities of Board of Directors.

Executive Director, The Starbucks Foundation

1997-2000

Created and directed corporate foundation established by the Starbucks Coffee Company.

- Developed mission, infrastructure, policies and procedures for new grantmaking foundation.
- Planned and distributed annual multi-million grant budget.

- Established program in support of literacy/education organizations throughout North America.
- Pioneered “Language of Hope” program to inspire teenagers through writing.
- Continued support of international development projects in coffee origin countries globally.

Director, Northwest Office of CARE

1983-1997

Directed education, fundraising, public relations and volunteer development efforts in five-state region.

- Established partnership with Starbucks Coffee Company, CARE’s largest annual corporate contributor.
- Conceived and implemented first two CLIMB FOR CARE ascents of Mt. Kilimanjaro in Tanzania.
- Established corporate partnerships with Westin Hotels and Resorts, Microsoft, Boeing and REI.
- Developed Northwest Chapter of the CARE Foundation, recruiting corporate and civic leadership.
- Created annual International Development Seminar for community and business leaders. Countries surveyed included China, India, Egypt, Peru, Vietnam and Indonesia.

Assistant Director, The Shelter

1979-1982

- Developed long-term service programs for runaway and homeless youth. Prepared budget and fundraising plans. Worked with Board personnel and fundraising committees.

Community Information Officer, Northern Ireland Council of Social Service

1979

TEACHING AND WRITING

- Adjunct Faculty, Seattle University and University of Washington, 2007-present (classes on Global Citizenship, Global Civil Society, Strategic Planning, Social Media, and International Internship program)
- Various op-ed opinion pieces published and speaking engagements, 1985-present

RELATED EXPERIENCE

- Co-Chair, Education Committee, Global Health Nexus (2010-present)
- Member, Alliance of Advisors, International Development Exchange (IDEX), 2011-
- Member, Board of Directors, Humanities Washington, 2004-2008
- Visiting Committee, Masters in Not-for-Profit Leadership Program, Seattle University, 1998-present
- Member, Seattle Community Council, United Way of King County, 1998-2002
- Board Member, Philanthropy Northwest, 1999-2001
- Co-Chair, Global Connections of Puget Sound, 2000-2001
- Steering Committee, Capital Campaign, Seattle Public Library, 1998-2000
- Board Member, World Affairs Council, 1997-1999
- Recipient, CARE’s Best Employee Award, 1995

EDUCATION

B.A. English, Whitworth College, 1977. Summa Cum Laude. Awarded “Outstanding Scholar of the Year”