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Objective: To become a member of a Board or Commission or other reputable organization where my experience, accomplishments and proficiency will allow me the opportunity to continue serving my community.

### **Education:**

Sts. Peter & Paul Elementary & High School, 1967, St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands University of Dayton, Ohio, 1971

Bachelor of Science

National Judicial College

Administrative Fair Hearings, University of Nevada, Reno

### **Experience:**

Currently retired

#### August 2008 – 2012

## Virgin Islands Territorial Emergency Management Agency (VITEMA)

Serves as the Executive Assistant to the Director, the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and the Governor's Authorized Representative (GAR). As the Executive Assistant I reviewed Legislation and correspondence and prepared testimony and responses as needed. As the CFO I monitored agency expenditures and acted as one of the certifying officers for VITEMA. In my capacity as the GAR, I represented the Governor at various meetings with FEMA, prepared reports and responses to requests for information and in general acted as the liaison between Government House and FEMA. During this time we closed eight (8) open hurricanes including Hurricane Hugo (1989).

#### May 2001-August 2008

## Office of Management and Budget, Federal Grants Management Unit Associate Director

The Associate Director Coordinates the intergovernmental review of Grant Applications to the Federal government, monitors drawdown, reporting and other activities of active grants, facilitates the annual Single Audit and assists with the VI Department of Education Compliance Agreement with the Federal Government. Additionally, I served as the **State Hazard Mitigation Officer (SHMO) with FEMA.** 

January 1999 - June 1999

## Acting Commissioner, Department of Tourism

Government of the US Virgin Islands

- •Managed a Department of Tourism with a \$4M budget, 67 employees, and a Tourism advertising budget of \$11.9M.
- •Negotiated for and coordinated efforts for the Sinbad Soul Music Festival, 1999 which attracted 7,000 visitors for one week to the Virgin Islands.
- •Divisions included Marketing, Business and Financial Services, Public Relations, 5 local Hospitality offices, and 7 offshore offices in Miami, Atlanta, Washington, Puerto Rico, Chicago, New York and Los Angeles.
- •Coordinated activities of contracted strategic marketing companies in Germany,

Canada, Denmark, Italy and England.

•Chairman, Virgin Islands Port Authority Board and the Industrial Development Commission(IDC).

January 1997 - January 1999

# **Executive Director**

Legislature of the US Virgin Islands

- •Managed a staff of over 250 employees on three islands with an annual budget of \$15M and successfully lowered operating expenses during my tenure.
- •Worked cohesively with all members of the Legislature and their personal staffs.
- •Implemented new programs and workshops for employees to improve morale, overall efficiency and delivery of services including the installation of Internet.
- •Divisions supervised included: Legal, Audits, Business and Financial Services, Research, Journals/Archives, Maintenance and Transportation.

#### October 1995 - January 1997

# **Crisis Counseling Coordinator/Deputy IA Officer**

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

- •Assisted Federal agencies with the delivery of emergency services and supplies after a devastating Hurricane Marilyn.
- •Coordinated delivery of services and supplies with local authorities and agencies and facilitated the delivery of crisis counseling services to hurricane victims in need.

## January 1995 - October 1995

# **Business & Management Consultant**

Emcee Consulting Services

•Operated a small business which assisted other businesses by reducing government "red tape" and facilitating easy start-ups of new companies. This included assistance in filing licensing and incorporation documentation with the appropriate agencies.

## January 1991 - February 1995

# Commissioner, Department of Licensing & Consumer Affairs

Government of the US Virgin Islands

- •Managed a department with 55 employees on three islands with an annual budget of \$3M and a special Consumer Protection Fund of \$500,000.
- •Department included Legal Division, Weights and Measures, Licensing, Consumer Protection, and Licensing Enforcement.

## August 1989 - January 1991Special Assistant to the Governor for Audits Resolution

- •Assisted the Office of the Governor in resolving Federal audits.
- •Coordinated efforts with local and federal Inspector Generals.

Following Hurricane Marilyn was appointed the Alternate Territorial Coordinating Officer under General Moorhead. Served as a liaison between Government House, all government departments and agencies and FEMA. Coordinated response and recovery efforts on St. Thomas until 1991.

January 1985 - January 1989 Senator, Legislature of the U.S. Virgin Islands • Majority Leader both terms Chairman Committee on Housing (1<sup>st</sup> Term)
Chairman Government Operations (2<sup>nd</sup> Term)
Member – Rules, Economic Development and Tourism, Environmental Protection and Natural Resources and the Health Committee (2 terms).

#### February 1974 - 1991

# **Owner/Director - Professional Laboratory Services**

Managed and operated a medical laboratory serving Veterans, Medicare recipients, and the general public. Assisted the St. Thomas Hospital whenever requested. Also trained interns from High Schools and Youth Multi Purpose Center in laboratory techniques and served as business manager for this medical facility for 17 years.

### Activities:

Srved on the Virgin Islands Transfer Centennial Commission

Elected to the 5th Constitutional Convention of the Virgin Islands

Advisory Board Member Governor's Conference on Libraries; and Chairman, Participant Selection Committee for Library Conference

Virgin Islands Elected Delegate White House Conference for Handicapped Individuals, Washington, DC

Member, National Planning Committee for Epileptics

Tradition Bearer Smithsonian Folklife Festival, Washington, DC

Coordinator, designer and costume maker for the Eagles Carnival Troupe for 47 years. Parade Marshall for the 2005 Carnival parade.

Seven years active participation in scouting, including 2 ½ years as Skipper/Advisor of activities, assistance in planning and execution of these activities. Personal guidance counseling of a 15-20 member co-ed Sea Explorer unit (ages 15-20).

#### **Past Community Involvement:**

Community Advisory Council, WTJX Channel 12 (PBS) Selective Service Appeals Board V. I. Humanities Council Frenchtown Civic Organization Hibiscus and Orchid Society member Education Advisory Council, Department of Education Eagles Carnival Troupe

#### Awards:

Meritorious Award - Vocational Industrial Club of America (VICA, St. Thomas) Unit Leader of the Year, Boy Scouts of America Toastmaster's Award

# FEMA Awards (2)

**References:** Available upon request