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#### U.S. ARMY

Son of Army Chief Warrant Officer. Enlisted 1969 for Field Artillery OCS. Attended Basic Training at Fort Leonard Wood and OCS Prep at Fort Sill.

Graduated FA OCS June 1970, Class 14-70. Attended Ballistic Missile Officer Course and Field Artillery Reconnaissance and Survey Course.

Assigned to 3/81 Field Artillery, Camp Coburn, ROK, January 1971. Recon Platoon Leader and Battalion Assistant Operations Officer. (This was a Sergeant Missile Battalion whose nuclear capability was secret and unacknowledged. Our missiles targeted major rail and other infrastructure in and around Pyongyang.) Also Battalion Forward Observer (for defensive 81mm mortar squad), Battalion Payroll Officer, and Special Services Officer. Awarded Army Commendation Medal. Succeeded by three Lieutenants.

Released from US Army February 1972

# US DEPARTMENT OF STATE

(Retired as FSO-1 from full-time in 2008, from part-time in 2014)

**Examiner**, Board of Examiners, Washington, DC, 2006-2014 (part-time since 2008)

- Screened, evaluated and selected new US diplomats.
- Wrote article "High Standards--BEX Builds Foreign Service's Next Generation," published in February 2008 *State Magazine*.
- Developed and implemented the new system that offers the Foreign Service Written Examination 24 days a year rather than just a single day.

**Department of State Dean Rusk Fellow**, Georgetown University, Washington, DC, 2005-2006

- Created and taught course for graduate and undergraduate students on United States-North Korean relations. Developed syllabus and teaching materials, created and employed two simulations, prepared and graded exams and papers.
- Developed and taught Political Tradecraft for Iraqi women diplomats.
- Counseled students on academic issues and concern.

Chief of the Counter-Proliferation Policy Division, Office of Korean Affairs, and Deputy US Representative to the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization, Washington, DC 2002-2005

- Crafted policy options for and participated in Six-Party Talks that temporarily froze North Korea's plutonium program.
- Led negotiating team that reached agreement to improve working conditions for US contractors at North Korea's Yongbyon plutonium facility.
- Led expert-level negotiations that secured agreement from Japan, Korea, and the European Union to suspend KEDO's project to build two light water nuclear reactors in North Korea, a key US policy objective in 2003.
- Spoke to groups around the United States, helping educate the public on the US approach to ending the North Korea's pursuit of nuclear weapons.

Coordinator of US-European Relations, US Mission to the European Union, Brussels, Belgium, 1998-2002

- Oversaw US agenda with the European Union and coordinated Presidential and other high-level meetings to achieve key US political and trade objectives.
- Headed Balkan Affairs Unit during the war in Balkans.
- Developed and led semi-annual seminars on US-EU relations for around 100 Department of State officers assigned to US embassies in EU countries.

## EARLIER EXPERIENCE

- Desk Officer for Finland and Sweden, Washington, DC
- Deputy Chief, Internal Political Section, US Embassy, Paris, France
- Political-Military Officer, German Desk, Washington, DC. Member of threeperson State Department team that with DOD negotiated new treaty with reunited Germany.
- Woodrow Wilson Public Fellow, Washington, DC. One of two officers selected by the State Department and Woodrow Wilson Center that year to teach undergraduates and deliver speeches. (In addition to my regular assignment on German Desk.)
- Career Development Officer, Washington, DC. Acted as a career counselor and assignments officer for junior Foreign Service Officers (equivalent of 2LTs, 1LTs, and first tour Captains.
- Desk Officer for France, Washington, DC during Bicentennial of French Revolution
- Junior Trade Officer, US Embassy, Ottawa, Canada. Participated in U.S.-Canada Free Trade Talks
- Consular Officer, US Embassy, Mexico City, Mexico
- Management Consultant, Ernst & Young, Washington, DC

## **EDUCATION**

- Doctoral Studies, completed all course work and 5 of 7 exams for Doctor of Public Administration, University of Southern California, Washington, DC Center, 1989
- MBA, Duke University Fuqua School of Business, Durham, NC, 1974
- BA, High Honors, History, University of Maryland, Heidelberg, Germany, 1968
- AA, American University in Paris Paris, France, 1965

## **VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES**

- 2012-2016 Member, Board of Trustees, The American University in Paris
- Reunion Committee, Duke University Fuqua School of Business, Class of 1974
- Board Member and Secretary, 400-member Duvall family society
- Board Member, Jamestowne Society, Washington & Northern VA Company
- Various church activities

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# Military and Civilian Rank Equivalents

Military Rank	SES/GS Civilian Rating	DV Code	FSO	Diplomatic Title	Executive Level
	(SES = Senior Executive Service)	(Distinguished	(Foreign Service Officer)		
	(GS = Government Servant)	Visitor)			
		DV 1 (President)			
		DV 2 (Vice President)			Executive Level I
		DV 2			Executive Level II
		DV 2			Executive Level III
O-10 (Gen)		DV 2	Career Ambassador		Executive Level IV
		DV 3			
O-9 (Lt Gen)	SES Level	DV 4	Career Minister	Ambassador	Executive Level V
O-8 (Maj Gen)	SES Level	DV 5	FSO-1	Ambassador;	
				Counselor	
O-7 ( Brig Gen)	SES Level	DV 6	FSO-2	Counselor;	
				1st Secretary	
O-6 (Col)	GS-15	DV 7	FSO-3	1st Secretary	
O-5 (Lt Col)	GS-14	DV 7	FSO-4	2nd Secretary	
	GS-13				
O-4 (Maj)	GS-12		FSO-5	2nd Secretary	
O-3 (Capt)	GS-11		FSO-6	2nd Secretary	
	GS-10				
O-2 (1st Lt)	GS-9		FSO-7	3rd Secretary	
	GS-8				
O-1 (2nd Lt)	GS-7		FSO-8	3rd Secretary	