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CONSULTANT

For museums, science centers and institutions of higher education
President, The Museum Group, a collaborative of 30 former senior museum administrators 2005-

Current Professional Activities:

Boston 4 Celebrations Foundation, Board of Directors 2001-
Conservation Law Foundation, Board of Trustees 2004-
MIT Museum, Advisory Board 1999-, vice chair 2004-5, chair 2005-
New Hampshire Audubon, Board of Directors 2007-
Radiation Oncology Visiting Committee, Massachusetts General Hospital, 1992-
Rappaport Institute for Greater Boston, Board of Advisors 2001-
Seacoast Science Center, Board of Trustees 2004-; Advisory Board 2000-2004
TERC, Board of Advisors 2005-
University of Maine at Machias, Board of Visitors 2001-2007
Univ. of New Hampshire Art Gallery, Board of Advisors 2006-
Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research, Board of Advisors 1996-
Consultant for the VITAE Foundation and for the states of Rio de Janeiro and Minas Gerais in Brazil
on the development of science centers there, involving more than 15 trips, 1995-
Consultant for institutions of higher education 1974-
Consultant for science centers 1992-

Other Activities and Memberships

Examiners Club, 1990-
Harvard Club, 1990-2003; Harvard Faculty Club, 2003-
Portsmouth Athenaeum, 2005-

THE BOSTON FOUNDATION

Senior Fellow (the first) 2003-2004

MUSEUM OF SCIENCE

President Emeritus 2003-
President and Director 1990 -2002

Selected Professional Activities

National Science Foundation
Advisory Committee for the Directorate on Education and Human Resources, 1998-2001;
Chairman, 2000 & 2001
Advisory Committee for the Directorate on Environmental Research and Education, 2001

ASTC (Association of Science-Technology Centers), Board 1992-93, 1995-2002; Member of the Executive Committee, 1997-99

Lowell Institute Cooperative Broadcasting Council (WGBH), Board of Directors, 1990-2000; Executive Committee, 1992-2000; Audit Committee, Chairman, 1993-2000; Technology Committee, 2000-2005

Elderhostel, Board of Directors, 1983-87, 1989-1994, 1995-2000; Vice Chairman, 1985-87, 1990-91; Chairman, 1991-95, 1996-2000

Univ. of New Hampshire Foundation, Board 1996-; Vice Chairman, 1999-2002

Metropolitan District Commission, Community Advisory Committee, 1999-2002

SMEC (Science Museum Exhibits Collaborative), Board member 1990-2002; Secretary/Treasurer, 1992-93; Chairman, 1993-1995

Museum Film Network, Board member, 1990-2002; Chairman, 1993-1997

Museum Trustee Association, Advisory Council of Directors, 1993-1996

International Space Theater Consortium, (now Giant Screen Theater Association), Board member 1992-1994, 1996-1998; Marketing Committee Chairman, 1992-1994; Member of Liaison Committee, 1994-1998; Chairman of the Liaison Committee, 1996-1998

National Health Sciences Consortium, 1990-2002; Convener, 1994-1996

Tufts University, College of Arts and Sciences, Overseer, 1995-2001

American Association of Museums and the Association of Science/Technology Centers, Accreditation and Review Teams, member and chair

PALMS, (Partnerships Advancing Learning in Mathematics and Science), NSF sponsored Massachusetts State Systemic Initiative, Steering Committee, 1992-1996; Chairman, 1993-1996

Massachusetts Advocates for the Arts, Sciences, and Humanities -Editorial Board, 2002-3

LAFAYETTE COLLEGE

President Emeritus	1990-
President	1978-1990

Selected Professional Activities:

National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, an organization representing 800+ independent colleges and universities in the United States, Board Member 1986-1990, Vice Chairman 1987, Chairman, 1988, past Chairman, 1989

Coalition of College Presidents for Civic Responsibility (Campus Compact), 1985-1990

Commission on Leadership Development, American Council on Education, 1988-1990

Council of Presidents, The Colonial League, 1985-1990, Chair, 1987-1989

Council of Presidents, Lehigh Valley Association of Independent Colleges, 1978-1990; Chair 1982-1983 and 1988-1989

Chairman of Accreditation Teams of the Middle States Association of Schools and Colleges, 1982 and 1988

Pennsylvania Commission for Independent Colleges and Universities, Executive Committee, 1981-1985

American Council on Education Fellows Program, Interviewer, 1980, 1982, and 1989.

Editorial Advisory Board of the American Council on Education, 1980-1982

Blue Cross of the Lehigh Valley, Board Member, and then Capitol Blue Cross, 1985-1990

Boy Scouts of America, Minsi Trails Advisory Council, chairman of the Long-Range Planning Committee in 1981 and chairman of the Nominating Committee, 1986-88

University City Science Center, Board of Directors, 1981-1990

Other Activities

Member of the Board of Easton National Bank and Trust Company, 1979-1984, and then of Merchants Bancorp, 1984-1990; member of Audit Committee, 1984-1990
United Way Campaign, Education Division Leader, 1983
Two Rivers Area Commerce Council, Director, 1982-1985
Friends of the State Theatre, Director, 1981-1985
Consultant for institutions of higher education
Member: University Club, New York City; Country Club of Northampton County, Easton, PA;
Pomfret Club, Easton, PA.

UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE 1962-1978

Vice Provost and then Vice President for Academic Affairs (chief academic officer) 1971-1978
Associate Academic Vice President 1970-1971
Acting Academic Vice President (Semester I) 1969-1970
Associate, Office of the Academic Vice President; 1968-1969
Assistant Dean, College of Technology (half-time); 1967-1968
Acting Assistant Dean of the Graduate School (Semester II; half-time); 1966-1967
Associate Professor of Chemistry 1967-1978
Water Resources Research Center: Member of the Executive Committee 1966-1978
Assistant Professor of Chemistry 1962-1967

Selected Professional Activities:

University Activities

Joint Operations Committee (composed of the chief academic officers of the six New England Land-Grant Universities) (Chairman: 1975-76) 1973-1978
University Senate; Academic Senate 1971-1978
UNH System Academic Planning Council 1971-1978
UNH System Personnel Policies Council (Faculty and Professional Staff) 1971-1978
University Planning Committee (Chairman: 1972-73 and 1974-75) 1968-1977
Commission on University Governance 1973-1974
Council on Educational Innovation (Chairman) 1969-1971
Committee on Government Reorganization 1968-1969

External Professional Activities

National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges 1975-1978
Member of the Executive Committee (1977-1978)
Member of the Executive Committee of the Council for Academic Affairs (1975-1978)
Chairman-elect of the Council for Academic Affairs (1978)
New Hampshire Post-Secondary Education Commission ("1202" Commission) 1975-1978
Vice Chairman (1975-77); Chairman (1977-78)
Member and chairman of accreditation teams and generalist with professional accreditation teams for the New England Association of Colleges and Schools 1973-1979
Eastern Association of College and University Business Officers, "Utilizing Faculty in Budgeting and Controlling Academic Expenses", paper presented 1970

Research Grants at University of New Hampshire

National Institutes of Health
National Science Foundation
U.S. Department of the Interior, Water Resources Research Center
University of New Hampshire

External Consulting at University of New Hampshire

Baird-Atomic, Inc.
Prismo Safety Corporation
Ditric Corporation
Corning Glass Work
Kennecott Copper Corporation
United Tanners, Inc.

Other Activities – New Hampshire

Strafford Savings Bank, Incorporator	1972-1978
Dover Rotary Club: Director (1968-73); President (1971-72)	1965-1978
Oyster River Cooperative School District Long-Range Planning Committee Chairman (1967-1968)	1966-1968
Member: Durham Community Church	

INDUSTRIAL EMPLOYMENT:

E.I. DuPont de Nemours and Company, Marshall Laboratory, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, summer 1959
Sun Oil Company, Marcus Hook, Pennsylvania, summer 1957

EDUCATION:

Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration, 104th Advanced Management Program, 1989	
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA, Ph.D. in Chemistry	1962
Haverford College, Haverford, PA, A.B. in Chemistry	1958

HONORS AND AWARDS:

1979 LL.D.	Lehigh University
1982 D.Sc.	Susquehanna University
1985 D.Sc.	Ursinus College
1989 D.Hum.L.	Juniata College
1990 LL.D.	Lafayette College
2000 D.C.L.	University of the South
2001-2002	Wheaton College Distinguished Fellow
2002 D.Sc.	Northeastern University

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

American Association of Museums
American Association for the Advancement of Science
Association of Science-Technology Centers
American Chemical Society
The Society of Sigma Xi