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Dear Ms. Hechinger,

I am very interested in applying for the position of President of the Center for Global Development. While I realize I lack a PhD or MBA from an accredited university, I believe my extensive experience, diverse background, and independent research of the past decade make me an excellent candidate for this position. (See my [Reading List](#), blogs on [Linkedin](#), [HuffPost](#), [Womensalia](#), and [Reuters Foundation](#) as well as reports on my activism website www.warondomesticterrorism.com.) My various blogs, reports and correspondences with government authorities in the past decade make me highly qualified for the position of President. I have been a life-long student of politics, economics, sociology, psychology, anthropology, law, human and civil rights, and childhood-development, and in the past decade women's rights, and the feminist movement of the past 50 years; all of which has given me a holistic view of the world, its challenges, as well as the solution that are presently needed.

During the *IMF/WB Spring Meetings* I was very impressed with Nancy Birdsall, and her positions on socio-economic development and the role of the IMF. However, my criticism of the IMF regarding problems with strengthening tax collection, without first assuring good governance, transparency and accountability, goes beyond that of Ms. Birdsall's. My blog [Ostrich-Playing at the IMF & Elsewhere in "This Town": Observations of a CSO Rep at the IMF/WB Spring Meetings – Part 3](#), expands on some of the issue she raised in the seminar, [Collect More & Spend Better: The Role of Capacity Development](#).

In addition to my various social media campaigns denouncing bad-governance, bureaucratic negligence, corruption, violence, abuses of power, global-warming, etc., I am the founder of several organizations, as well as political initiatives within the women's rights movement in the USA, and globally. Please see below the various organizations I am creating, as well as my research and work in the human rights of women.

I am the founder of a start-up, Global Expats (www.global-xpats.com), whose mission is to assist expatriated families around the world in their daily challenges, as well as dual-career challenges. I also, maintain an activism website, www.warondomesticterrorism.com, with which I have launched a global campaign in eliminating and combating violence, as well as discrimination, against women and children.

Additionally, I am preparing a case against the Spanish government for submission to CEDAW for their failure to protect. My case, *Wilcox vs. Spain*, builds on the 2nd jurisprudence for violence against women as human rights violations ([Gonzalez Carreño vs. Spain](#), 2014), in that it challenges the Spanish government's inadmissibility defense of "judicial error and failure to exhaust" in the Carreño case. The 1st jurisprudence was [Gonzales Lenahan vs. USA](#), 2011; with both the US and Spanish governments in their respective cases, denying "responsibility" for their courts, and the lives and rights of women and children. Both these governments (as well as all other governments) are claiming that family courts are out of their control and "jurisdiction" due to "sovereignty rights," "judicial independence," and/or "private rights" issues. My background report [Financing for Development \(FfD\): A Midsummer Night's Dream](#) debunks all of their contentions and rationalizations, as well as explores the many socio-economic and political issues which have created not only the problems in family courts, but also why, and how the feminist movement since the '70s has been complicit to the situation, with recommended solutions.

One of the areas I explore in detail in my blogs are the violation of rights within family courts, as well as their gobbledygook rhetoric, which is sustaining the entire matrix—promoting a Betty Friedan/Riane Eisler platform and agenda—see [The Right to Truth, the Obligation to Protect, and Universal Jurisdiction](#); with

further information about my work provided in the video of my presentation, [*Violence Against Women/Domestic Violence as a Human Rights Violation*](#), at the Battered Mother's Custody Conference in May 2015.

The socio-economic consequences of the disempowerment of women by courts and society, and the failure of governments to fulfill their legal obligation to protect is also explored in my 50-part series of blogs, [*Observation of a CSO Rep at the IMF/WB Spring Meetings 2016*](#). These blogs particularly targeted Senior Director of Gender at the World Bank, Caren Grown, as well as Managing Director of the IMF, Christine Lagarde in efforts to bridge the many “gaps” of knowledge within the IMF, World Bank, UN, and international community in regards to gender issues, as well as the importance of empowering women to empower themselves. Additionally, I explain the resulting socio-economic advantages to societies, of not only well-governed family courts but well-governed courts in general (civil and criminal). If *People* are to be at the center of the MDGs and SDGs, then leaders must understand *People* and the *Realities* of those *People*—with *Real Live* solutions, instead of faulty rhetoric, window-dressing initiatives, and “awareness” raising campaigns, that in no way, shape, or form, help *Real Live People*.

My blogs covering the [*IMF/WB Spring Meetings*](#), also build on the geo-political, and economic stability issues which were explored in my 22-part blog series for Sean Penn in January 2016, beginning with [*El Chapo, Sean Penn, and the Failed War on Drugs*](#). The questions Mr. Penn wished to raise in his *El Chapo Speaks* article, are the same questions I have been asking of the American government since the late 90's, see my blog [*Mexican Drug Trade: A Look into the Future by Looking at Colombia's Past*](#); noting that the response of the American government at the time was not, and is still not, acceptable. It is imperative that the American government understand to what extent the Failed War on Drugs is escalating, and perpetuating, their Failed War on Terror, both in the USA and globally—with extremely serious geo-political as well as socio-economic consequences.

While I started Global Expats a decade ago, its development has been hampered by my ex-husband's effort to keep me out of the work-force our entire marriage (1991-2008) (with Spanish courts becoming complicit to his efforts, by their negligence, during our divorce), precipitating my CEDAW case. My ex-husband rose to Director of the Treasury Department of Banco Ganadero/BBVA in Bogota, Colombia at the end of the 20th century, culminating in his manipulations of financial instruments and markets while there, destroying his career and himself in the process—with the ordeal culminating in a domestic violence case, and divorce. It is since then, that I have learned to what extent that “public services” (be they offered by government agencies or NGOs) are nothing more than ‘window-dressing’ and cheerleading “awareness” raising campaigns. One of the fundamental problems is slothfulness, apathy, and profiteering amongst lower and middle level civil servants who are flagrantly violating the rights of citizens by their inaction and inertia. See my blog [*UN FAWCO Smoke-screens on VAW/DV, CEDAW & Human Rights*](#). Not only do my interests, and understanding of what is needed in developing effective solutions in empowering women and combating violence against women (on top of stable financial markets and economies) come from a life-long interest in the issues, but also due to my personal experiences.

Additionally, of interest in considering my application is that my start-up company, Global Expats is designed to utilize the ‘Expat Wives Club’ model to unite and mobilize “expat trailing-spouses,” and effectively challenge ineffective management, in the public and private sector, as well as promote work-life balance issues amongst employers. The ability of women's groups and associations to mobilize constituency in grass-roots civic efforts, as well as inject a certain ‘moral authority’ into communities is enormous. However, all the various organizations at present lack leadership, direction and cohesion. Global Expats aims to bring the leadership and direction that is needed amongst expat communities, with spillovers into host communities, at all socio-economic levels. Additionally, the company is designed to transform the “charity” work of the ‘Expat Wives Club’ into socio-economic development efforts concentrating on care-giving services and education, as well as the production, distribution, and promotion of artisanal products of women around the world. A presentation and Business Plan for Global Expats is posted [here](#).

While I come from an extremely privileged background in terms of opportunity and education; having attended excellent, and progressive boarding schools in England (Cobham Hall) and the USA (Foxcroft School). These schools, as well as many professors at George Washington University, provided me with an excellent and “Socratic” education, encouraging free thought, questioning, and a pursuit of knowledge and intellectual curiosity—a privilege I always appreciated, and believe is the right of every child on the planet. However, my life’s story is more that of a *fractured-fairytale American Dream*, as I explained in my blog, [Fractured Fairytale Deb vs. Deb of the Decade](#). So my life has definitely been one of “the road less travelled by” with perspectives, outlooks, and proposed solutions very different from the norm.

My life-experiences, background and travels have afforded me an understanding of global challenges, as well as the many socio-economic challenges that high income countries face, in addition to the low and middle income countries. In addition to having lived and travelled extensively in England, France, Spain, Belgium, and Colombia, I have visited Haiti, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Peru, Russia, Morocco, Portugal, Italy, Mexico, Switzerland, and Finland; where due to my extrovert nature, innate curiosity, and fluency in Spanish, French, and English, I learned much from local people. And, why one of the slogans in my campaigns for reform and change at national, as well as international levels, is “Rhetoric to Reality!”

Of further interest, in considering my application, is that many in my family-tree have been challenging the same abuses of power, violation of rights of citizens, and evil forces, which have plague western civilization for over four thousand years, that I am challenging in my various efforts and initiatives at present. While my life resembles more that of John Paul Jones (see my blog [Outlaw Heroes, Drug-lords, and International Trade](#)) in terms of geo-political trajectories, and “battles” against oppressive governments, and abusers of power in all their forms; I firmly believe the *Plume* is mightier than the *Sword*, with the *Plume* my *forte*. Therefore, my “weapons” are my blogs ([Huffington Post](#), [Linkedin](#), [Womentalia](#), and [Reuters Foundation](#)) and activist website ([www.warondomesticterrorism.com](#)); with my writing resembling that of others in my family-tree, namely, John Dickinson, Winston Churchill, Thomas Wilcox (1572, see my blog [Economic Stability, the Puritan Manifesto and the Two Mr. Penns](#)), and my grand-father who was the first white lawyer in the South (1910) to successfully defend a black-man (see my blog [Harper Lee’s Passing: A Legend Dies, But Not Sa Raison d’Etre](#)).

Additionally, while my interests and studies have always been in the social sciences, I have “inherited” my father’s ([William Curtis Wilcox, MD](#)) research and work in the treatment of thrombosis; as well as his life-long fight against the FDA, and greed and corruption within the medical community in the USA. (None of my siblings or myself entered the field of medicine, so at present, I am looking for “young” doctors (<80-90 years of age) around the world to develop clinical trials for my father’s recent research.)

I believe I am an excellent candidate for President of the Center for Global Development, as I encompass all of the competencies and attribute it is seeking, and would be honored to be considered. My diverse life-work experiences, and broad knowledge of policy-issues in governance, human rights, gender, health, education, migration, finance, trade, and labor-rights, as well as my extensive networks throughout the world, would be an excellent contribution to the truly impressive team and organization that Ms. Birdsall has created, and sincerely hope you might consider my application.

Please find below a resume for your perusal, and thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



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Development professional, human and women's rights activist, and international marketer and entrepreneur, with 40+ years of international experience in cultural diversity, as well as global socio-economic and geo-political challenges. Trilingual with experience in developing grass-root solutions, mobilizing citizens and workers, as well as organizing and managing events and social networks.

Globally known and respected for impeccable integrity, honor and resolve in front of even the most difficult of challenges and adversaries, as well as commitment to attacking global challenges such as poverty, inequality, global-warming, violence, and abuses of power in all its forms.

EXPERIENCE

2006- Present Global Expats & www.global-xpats.com, Wash., DC - Founder

- Conducted marketing research, data-base compilation, as well as maintaining all administrative and managerial duties in the project
- Prepared [Business Plan and other marketing material](#) for investors
- Conducted social media campaigns on LinkedIn, Facebook, and Twitter
- Developed a political and legal platform promoting the rights and interests of Global Expats constituents (expat families)
- Content web administrator for www.global-xpats.com

1/2013 - present WaronDomesticTerrorism.com – Wash., DC – Founder & Administrator (Volunteer)

- Maintain activist website (www.warondomesticterrorism.com), exposing the human rights violations and discrimination against women in courts and societies around the world
- Reports posted on the site are the following: [Domestic Abuse as a Human Rights Violation & the Principle of Due Diligence: An Intersectional Approach](#); [Abuses of Power in Our Societies and Court Systems: Implications and Solutions under Human Rights Law](#); [The Failure of Courts to Protect Child Victims of Sexual Abuse](#); [Financing for Development \(FfD\): A Midsummer Night's Dream](#); [Family Courts in Crisis Newsletters](#); and [Workplace Bullying in the IMF](#); as well as a [bibliography](#) of research.

11/2013 - present HuffingtonPost.com, Womenalia.com and LinkedIn.com – Wash., DC – Blogger (Volunteer)

- Blogs on [LinkedIn](#), [HuffPost](#), [Womenalia](#) and [Reuters Foundation](#), explore the many challenges trailing-spouse, homemakers face while abroad, as well as the political, social, and economical problems the world is facing at present, concentrating on abuses of power and violation of rights at every level of society

2/2008 - present Convention on Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) – Madrid, Spain and Wash., DC – Human Rights Legal Counsel (Volunteer)

- Prepared a case, *Wilcox vs. Spain*, for Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) against the Spanish government for their failure to protect. The case challenges the Spanish government's defense of "inadmissibility" in [Gonzalez Carreno vs. Spain, 2014 \(CEDAW\)](#). A synopsis of the case against Spanish government is included in an official correspondence to the Spanish [Defensor del Pueblo in 2014](#), and against the American government as complicit in their failure to act under their obligation to protect under human rights standards, as well as [Gonzales \(Lenahan\) vs. USA, 2011 \(Inter-American Commission on Human Rights\)](#)
- Researched and prepared background report for CEDAW presentation. The report, [Financing for Development \(FfD\): A Midsummer Night's Dream](#), as well as all official correspondence with the Spanish and American governments, highlighting the many public policy issues are posted on the activism website, www.warondomesticterrorism.com

- 11/2011 – **International Monetary Fund, Wash., DC - Administrative Assistant (Contractual and**
11/2015 **Temporary)**
- Administrative assignments in the Western Hemisphere, Monetary and Capital Markets, European, Legal (Financial Integrity Group), External Relations, and Institute for Capacity Development departments
- 5/2009- **International Monetary Fund Family Association (IMFFA) (Global Employment), Wash., DC -**
2/2011 **Administrative Assistant/Office Manager**
- Created a filing system, as well as communication system between board and committee members
 - Created a data-base of membership, cross-referencing members; their interests, professions, etc.
 - Assisted with publication of the information booklet, monthly magazine, and weekly newsletter
 - Provided advice and assistance to members about family issues, the DC area, childcare, etc.
 - Reduced annual administrative costs by 10%
- 2002- **Bogotá Accueil (Fédération Internationale des Accueils Français et Francophones à l'Etranger**
2003 **(FIAFE) – www.fiafe.org Bogotá, Colombia - Président (Volunteer)**
- Represented the French community of Bogotá at official functions and Embassies
 - Organized cultural visits, educational seminars, tours of museums and art expositions dinners and formal functions, manual arts classes for children, and English classes
 - Organized a conference for Ingrid Betancourt, Colombian Presidential candidate for 2002 (cancelled due to her kidnapping by FARC guerrilla)
- 2001- **International Group of Bogotá - Bogotá, Colombia - Secretary (Volunteer)**
2004
- Assisted in the formation and development of this cross-cultural group whose mission was to coordinate cooperation between the various expatriate clubs and communities in Bogotá
- 1999- **Bogotá Accueil (FIAFE/www.fiafe.org) Bogotá, Columbia - Board Member (Volunteer)**
2002
- Participated in monthly board meetings and management of the association
 - Organized children's manual art classes and events
 - Directed monthly English classes, book club, and cooking club
- 1998- **American Women's Club of Bogotá (Federation of American Women's Clubs Overseas**
1999 **(FAWCO)/www.fawco.org Bogotá, Colombia - Secretary (Volunteer)**
- Attended monthly board meetings and participated in management of the organization
 - Participated in monthly international cooking club and annual fund-raising Bazaar
- 1989 **Dean Witter Reynolds - Miami, Florida - Executive Assistant**
- Managed the administrative office, overseeing twenty employees
 - Handled client complaints, administrative problems, and maintained accounts payable
- 1987 **Shearson Lehman Bros., Wash., D.C - Stock Trader and Program Coordinator**
- Managed approximately \$10M within a \$20M blue-chip stock trading program
 - Monitored movements of 200 stocks and option, maintaining 10% profit margin on trades
 - Compiled financial reports and analysis
- 1986 **E.F. Hutton, Wash., D.C. - Sales Assistant to Financial Planners**
- Handled all administrative work and client contact, executed trades and processed legal documents
- 1981- **Senator J. Bennett Johnston (D) LA., Wash., D.C. - Intern**
1985
- Responsible for a total re-organization of administrative archives
 - Supervised the summer interns, organized in-coming mail, and maintained filing system
 - University Thesis on nuclear non-proliferation

SPECIAL PROJECTS

- 2003-2004 **Association of Padre Nicolo of Bogotá, Colombia** – Examined the rehabilitation program for street children of Bogotá, with eventual application of methods and procedures within local educational systems. Padre Nicolo’s work of the past 30 years has won international awards and is recognized by UNESCO
- 2003-2004 **Fundación Canguro of Bogotá, Colombia** – Examined and promoted the work of the foundation whose purpose is to provide high-quality, cost-effective health care for LBW (low birth weight) infants. The work, developed by Dr. Rey in 1978, is recognized by the World Health Organization (WHO), with centers in over 15 countries around the world

SKILLS

Languages: **English:** native, **French:** fluent, **Spanish:** fluent

Proficient: Microsoft Word, Outlook, PowerPoint, Publisher, Excel, SharePoint, Travel Portal, and Tabs3

EDUCATION

1981-1985 **BBA (International Marketing/Political Science) George Washington University**