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Dear Madam or Sir,

I am extremely interested in applying for the position of Senior Policy Analyst of Higher Education with New America. I believe my diverse background, experience, research, and extreme dedication to education reform, makes me an exceptional candidate for this position.

As a mother, and concerned citizen, I have long been disturbed by problems in educational systems. One of my main objectives with my project, Global Expats, is to mobilize expatriated "trailing-spouses" to help reform educational systems around the world. I was educated in American and British systems, and my children have been educated in the French and Spanish ones. During my lifetime, I have observed many good points within each of these different systems, as well as the problems that plague them. In my market research for Global Expats, I examined educational systems around the world as well as evaluation systems, and am greatly concerned by the lack of reading comprehension amongst students globally—as well as prioritization for math skills by policy-makers.

I have always been a staunch supporter of the American higher educational system (and critic of public k-12, as well as availability, and quality, of early child-care in the USA). I had always had every intention that my children attend university in the USA, even though they were educated in the French system. One of my major criticisms of European higher educational systems, is that students are forced to choose areas of interests and concentration of studies, at too young of an age. However, upon my return to the USA in 2009, I was appalled at not only the price of higher education in this country, but also the lowering of standards in academic excellence and quality.

Not only has the American higher educational systems become 'big business,' guided by greed and malfeasance, but it has flooded the market with too many PhDs, MBAs, JDs, and LLMs. Unfortunately, many of these professionals, lack reading comprehension skills, cognitive abilities, and analytical thinking; with professions, across the board showing negligence rates of 70-90%. However, human resource (HR) departments, instead of confronting problems created, (ie. bullying, harassment, intellectual property theft, etc.), are wasting billions in dollars and euros, in hiring 'coaches,' 'advisers,' and 'therapists' in efforts to "fix" the system.

One of the reasons, Donald Trump won the US Presidential Elections with a promise to "drain the Swamp" is due to the fact that Washington is inundated with highly educated individuals, with all too little appreciation for the importance of the administrative function in implementation of public-policies, good-business practices, and good governance. Results-based Management (RBM) has even been created in the development community due to the inability of 'experts' to implement human rights standards into their actions and initiatives. It is imperative that a paradigm-shift occurs within the development community, which needs to start understanding and implementing their rhetoric into reality, using human rights standards in their analysis of issues, as well as their daily interactions.

I believe my unique background and research would permit me to make a very valuable contribution to New America in the position of Senior Policy Analyst of Higher Education. Not only have I done extensive research of educational systems globally, in the past, but I am passionately dedicated to reforming the higher educational system in the USA. I have been separated from my children for the past 9 years due to a domestic violence/divorce case in Spain, which I am challenging in *Wilcox vs. Spain*. My case will be the 3rd jurisprudence on violence against women as human rights violations (VAWHRV), challenging the Spanish defense in the 2nd jurisprudence of VAWHRV, which claimed "judicial error and a failure to exhaust domestic remedies." In my case I demonstrate that judicial errors are not errors, but rather intentional manipulations of greedy, misogynistic lawyers, incompetent judges and court personnel.

If American higher educational systems were not in such dire straits, and so exorbitantly expensive; they would have been able to attend university in the USA, and we would have re-united long ago. For me, "fixing" problems within higher-education in the USA, is not just my concerns over public-policy issues, but also from the personal challenges it has presented to me in assuring good educational opportunities for my children.

Good quality education, at affordable prices, is a Right, as much as good-quality healthcare, clean-air, clean-water, security, etc. are Rights. Technology in the world has progressed enough, that everyone on the Planet can be fed, clothed, housed, educated, and live in peace, if not total harmony. And, governments have an absolute obligation to start assuring that these Rights become Reality. Please find attached, a resume for your perusal, and I hope to be given the opportunity to speak with you further in consideration for this important position.

Sincerely,

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Trilingual, public-policy professional, and researcher, with 35 years of experience in socio-economic development, as well as research of global economic and geo-political issues. Global mobility expert focusing on work-life balance and labor rights issues within the private and public sector. Human Rights activist, focusing on issues related to women and children of all socio-economic levels, and nationalities. Social media professional with an audience of over 7000 contacts from the banking and financing industry, legal community, business community, development community, and global mobility industry, on Linkedin.

EXPERIENCE

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

Present

- 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

11/2013 - HuffingtonPost.com, Womenalia.com and Linkedin.com - Wash., DC - <u>Blogger</u> (Volunteer)

present

- Blogs on <u>Linkedin</u>, <u>HuffPost</u>, <u>Womenalia</u> and <u>Reuters Foundation</u>, are a culmination of 8 years of independent research in international economics, human rights, international law, civil rights, women's rights, domestic violence, and feminists movement of the past 50 year (see <u>Reading List</u>)
- 2/2008 Convention on Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) Madrid, Spain and present Wash., DC <u>Human Rights Legal Counsel</u> (Volunteer)
 - Prepared the 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 is included in an official correspondence to the Spanish Defensor del Pueblo in
 2014
 - Researched and prepared background report for CEDAW presentation. The report, <u>Financing for Development (FfD): A Midsummer Night's Dream</u>, as well as all official correspondence with the Spanish and American governments, highlighting the many public policy issues, are posted on the activism website, <u>www.warondomesticterrorism.com</u>
 - Presented finding of my research at the Battered Mother's Custody Conference in 2015, in the presentation *Violence Against Women as Human Rights Violations*

1/2013 - WaronDomesticTerrorism.com - Wash., DC - <u>Founder & Administrator</u> (Volunteer)

present

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

11/2011 – International Monetary Fund, Wash., DC - <u>Administrative Assistant</u> (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 - Administrative Assistant/Office Manager

- Organize events, social networking functions, and conferences
- 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%

Bogotá Accueil (Fédération Internationale des Accueils Français et Francophones à l'Etranger (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)

 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)

- Participated in monthly board meetings and management of the association
 - Organized children's manual art classes and events

2002

1985

• 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

- 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- **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 has won international awards and recognized by UNESCO

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

1985