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## **EDUCATION**

**Administration Certificate**-(Type B) 1987 University of Washington, nationally recognized program (one of top twelve in nation, included 9 month double internship). AK Endorsements: *Program Administration, K-12 Principal, Supervisor of Curriculum.*

**Master of Education**-1981 University of Washington, Seattle, Washington.  
*Curriculum and Instruction, language arts, specialized in cross-cultural education.*

**Teaching Certificate**-(Type A) 1976 University of Washington, Seattle, Washington.  
AK Endorsements: *English/language arts, social studies 7-12, art K-12.*

**Bachelor of Arts in English**-1976, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington.

**Bachelor of Arts in Art**-1977, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington.

## **EXPERIENCE**

**Assistant Professor/Professional Development School/Mentor/FTC Coordinator**-8/01 to present. School of Education, University of Alaska-Fairbanks. Supervised teaching interns (elem./sec.), coordinated activities for 5 professional development schools and various Future Teacher Clubs for AK native students (statewide); established plan of support for interns and 1st year AK native teachers.

**Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment**-8/89 to 6/01. In charge of all curriculum/assessment activities (eight mid-Kuskokwim villages, 96% Alaska Native). Directed rewriting K-12 curricula. Established/chaired district advisory council. Resource person for all certified staff, trained/assisted teachers in instruction, presented inservices on testing, curriculum, & instruction as requested by principals & superintendent. Developed district plan for improving literacy. Composed, published monthly newsletter to certified staff. District testing & hiring coordinator, ASWC admin. representative, Report Card Coordinator, various other responsibilities. Kuspuk School District, Aniak, Alaska.

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### EXPERIENCE (continued)

**Part-time administration, English and reading teacher**-8/87 to 5/89. Chapter I Coordinator, guidance counselor, various administrative duties, school newspaper, taught four 9-12 English classes, 7th and 8th grade reading classes. Skagway City Schools, Skagway, Alaska.

**Administrative Internship**-9/86 to 6/87. Interned as program administrator and secondary principal (double internship). Duties under special programs director included, for example, work in Indian Education, Gifted Program, federal programs, curriculum development. As secondary principal, gathered all data concerning social behavior of school population, graphed results with narrative and published school profile for major school improvement project (OTE). Edmonds School District, Edmonds, WA, in conjunction with the University of Washington.

**Secondary English teacher**-9/85 to 5/86. Grades 9-10, English I, II, and U.S. History. Used innovative methods in teaching writing and reading in the content area. Bethel Regional High School, Bethel, Alaska. A rural Yup'ik Eskimo community.

**Secondary English teacher** 8/84 to 5/85. Grades 9-12. English I/II and junior/senior composition classes. Large, crowded suburban school. Wasilla High School, Wasilla, Alaska.

**Secondary English/reading teacher** 8/83 to 5/84. Grades 9-12. Taught two remedial literature-based reading classes of Yup'ik Eskimo students, two English III classes, and senior English, college prep. Bethel Regional High School, Bethel, Alaska.

**English instructor** 1/83 to 5/83. Part-time instructor, English 213, Intermediate Expository Writing: Rhetoric and Critical Thinking (discussed essays on cassette tapes to provide additional feedback on each student's writing). Kuskokwim Community College, Bethel, Alaska.

**Secondary social studies teacher** 8/81 to 5/83. Grades 7-8. Taught world geography, U.S. History (created guided reading, rewrote texts to aid in reading comprehension). Also taught guitar method and music theory. Kilbuck School, Bethel, Alaska.

**Language arts teacher** 8/77 to 5/80. Grades 7-8. Ninety-five percent Yup'ik Eskimo students. Designed and published annual literary magazine. Kilbuck School, Bethel, Alaska.

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### RELATED PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES/RECOGNITION

**Composed one act play** entitled “Witnesses” concerning indigenous cultures in transition. One of 25 plays selected from 21 states presented at the Playwrights Showcase of the Western Region, Arvada Center, Denver, Colorado 8/2005.

**Selected by Alaska Department of Education** 1994/95 to review language arts/reading assessment instrument for Alaska; and in 1993 selected as science/math committee member to create prototype for State publications: *Curriculum Frameworks* for Alaska 2000.

**Appointed by Alaska Commissioner of Education** 1992-93 to be on the English/language arts content area committee in setting standards & assessment criteria for Alaska 2000, State of Alaska. Also requested by DOE to participate as panel member presenting Standards at 1994 State Bilingual Conference.

**Honored with Teacher Tribute Award** 1991, sponsored by American Association of School Administrators, Sally Mae & *Newsweek*. Nominated for inspiration by one of the 100 outstanding first-year teacher award winners in U.S. Received in Aniak, Alaska for past teaching in Bethel, Alaska.

**Curriculum developed as Curriculum Director selected as exemplary** 1991, presented to Association of Alaska’s School Board as excellent model for other districts in the State by Office of Basic Education, AK State Depart. Education, Juneau, Alaska.

**Selected to Writing Assessment Advisory Board** 1991 for Alaska by the Department of Education to make policy regarding analytical writing assessment in the State. Selected as member of State writing assessment prompt selection committee 1991-96.

**Composed** article entitled “A Curriculum Concern” 1991 **published** in Association of Alaska Secondary Principals’ *Totem Tales*, portions published in State Department of Education’s *Briefings*, and portions **presented** to the Association of Alaska School Boards by the Administrator for the Office of Basic Education, DOE, Juneau, Alaska.

**Hiring Coordinator** 1990-present selected by Superintendent to organize all hiring of certified staff. Established process to interview/select personnel via a team of school board members, principals and superintendent interviewing candidates in a three level process, Kuspuk School District. Also selected by Skagway City School District Superintendent to travel to Juneau with Superintendent and School Board members to interview/select candidates 1987.

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### RELATED PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES/RECOGNITION (continued)

**Acting Superintendent** appointed administrator in charge in Superintendent's absence. Kuspuk School District, Aniak, AK 1994 to 2001 and Skagway City School District, Skagway, Alaska 1987-89.

**Wrote and assembled** language arts curriculum for grades 7-12 for Skagway City School District, Skagway, Alaska. 1988.

**Curriculum Review Committee** 1985-86, selected by Lower Kuskokwim School Board to review for recommendation to the School Board new educational programs, courses of study and district graduation requirements. LKSD, Bethel, Alaska.

**Task Force** 1985-86, selected as member to work with two other Lower Kuskokwim teachers to develop criterion-referenced tests in language arts for grades 7-12. LKSD, Bethel, Alaska.

**Keynote speaker** for commencement exercises, class of 1984, selected by the students, Bethel Regional High School, Bethel, Alaska.

**Wrote and produced** with Alaska Public Television, KYUK "Somebody's Taking Pictures", one of the top ten shows for 1984 on the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta, dedicated to the people of the Delta. A historical documentary periodically aired State-wide.

**Presenter** at 10th Annual Bilingual/Multicultural Conference, Anchorage, AK 1984. Requested by DOE. Workshop: "Language Considerations When Working with Eskimo Students".

**Teacher representative** 1983, selected by the Lower Kuskokwim School District to attend the state convention in Anchorage "Alaska Schools and Public Policy".

**Language Arts Task Force** 1981-82, selected as member to develop secondary language arts curriculum for the Lower Kuskokwim School District, Bethel, Alaska.

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### RELATED PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES (continued)

**Publications:** articles on Native education and other educational articles, by ERIC, Center for Applied Linguistics, et al; fiction and poetry in Finding the Boundaries (an anthology of Alaskan writers), *Permafrost* (Alaska), *Shaping the Landscape*, (AK), *Wide Open* (CA). See below for more detailed information.

**Language:** Studying Thai. Two years of Spanish and Latin as a secondary student.

**Guitar method and music theory instructor--1972-83.** Students' ages ranged from 9 to 65. Individual lessons. Shoreline Music Studios and privately in Seattle, WA and Bethel, Alaska.

### PERSONAL DATA

Married for 24 years, one daughter. Now widower. Alaska resident since 1977. Earned 100% of my college and living expenses via a wide variety of jobs (e.g. construction, lineman's assistant, doorman for major hotel, sign painter, truck driver, carpenter apprentice, warehouseman, etc.) Traveled frequently and extensively in Southeast Asia.

### INTERESTS

Writing, reading, travel, guitar, Far East Studies, Native American Studies, skin diving, cross-country skiing, fishing, tennis.

### REFERENCES

University of Washington Placement Center, 301 Loew Hall, FH-30, Seattle, Washington 98195, (206) 543-0535. Confidential file available upon request.

Career Planning & Placement Program, UAF, Fairbanks, AK 99701 (907) 474-6644.

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### PUBLICATIONS

*Witnesses* (a one act play) selected from 21 Western States for presentation at the Annual Western Region Playwright Showcase, Arvada Center Denver, Colorado, 2005

*Out of the White* (poetry), Inside Passages, a literary magazine, Ketchikan, Alaska 2005

*To the Here and Now in Hong Kong Harbor* (short story), Stories from China, magazine 2002

*Conflicting Landscapes* (short story), Shaping the Landscapes, Juneau, AK 1999

*Dictation Exercise, For Use in Grades 3-10*, Writing Workbook, LitSite Alaska, <http://litsite.alaska.edu/uaa/workbooks/dictation.html> 1998

*A Curriculum Concern* (article), Totem Tales (Anchorage) and DOE Briefings (Juneau), 1998

*Alaska Native Education, Four Recommendations from This Corner* (article), ERIC 1997

*Review of Two Studies Concerning the Values of Eskimo Children* (article), ERIC, 1991

*Somebody's Taking Pictures* (thirty minute television show concerning the Kuskokwim area in the 1950's) wrote and produced with PBS station KYUK, Bethel, Alaska, 1984

*Cavalcade on Ice* (poetry), Finding the Boundaries, An Anthology of Alaskan Writers, 1980

*Kowtow Tattoo* (short story), permafrost, a literary magazine, 1984

*One Engulfing Yawn* (poetry), Wide Open, CA 1984

*Language Considerations When Working with Eskimo Students* (article), ERIC, 1980