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**EDUCATION**

Ph.D.  Columbia University, Political Science, *1996*

M.Phil. Columbia University, Political Science, *1993*

M.A. Columbia University, Political Science, *1992*

B.A.  University of California Santa Cruz, Politics *1989*

**ACADEMIC**

Lecturer in the Discipline of Public and International Affairs, School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University, Fall 2022, Fall 2023

Senior Adjunct Research Scholar, Arnold A. Saltzman Institute of War and Peace Studies, Columbia University, 2014-2023

Adjunct Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Columbia University, *2017-2022*

Associate Research Scholar, Harriman Institute, Columbia University, *2010-13*

Arnold A. Saltzman Assistant Professor in the Practice of International Politics, School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University, *2006-2009*

Visiting Assistant Professor,Department of Political Science, Brown University, *1995-1996*

Adjunct Professor, Columbia University Department of Political Science, *2017-2021*; School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University, *2005, 2021;* Georgia Institute of Public Affairs, *2003*; Department of Political Science, Barnard College, Columbia University, *2002;* Department of Political Science, Baruch College, City University of New York, *2002;* Department of Political Science, Hunter College, City University of New York, *1995*

***Undergraduate Courses***

“Topics in American Democracy,” Columbia University, *Fall 2017-20, Spring 2022*

*“*Parties, Voting and Campaigns in American Politics*,” Spring 2019, Spring 2020, Spring 2021*

“Urban Politics,” Barnard College, *Spring 2002*; Brown University, *Spring 1996*

“Politics and the Media,” Brown University, *Spring 1996*

“Introduction to American Politics,” Brown University, *Spring 1996*; Hunter College, *Spring 1995*; Columbia University, *Summer 1994*

“Federalism,” Brown University, *Fall 1995*

***Graduate Courses***

“Politics of Policy Making,” School of International Affairs, Columbia University, *Fall 2021-2022*

“Conceptual Foundations of International Relations,” School of International Affairs, Columbia University, *Fall 2022*

“Political Transition in the Former Soviet Union” School of International Affairs, Columbia University, *Spring 2010, Spring 2011, Spring 2012*

“Challenges of Democratization and Governance,” School of International Affairs, Columbia University, *Spring 2005*, *Spring 2006*, *Spring 2007*, *Spring 2008*

“Elections and Political Development,” School of International Affairs, Columbia University, *Fall 2006*, *Fall 2007*, *Fall 2008, Fall 2009, Fall 2010, Fall 2012*

“Theory and Practice of Democracy,” Georgia Institute of Public Affairs, *Fall 2003*

“Introduction to Political Campaigns,” Baruch College, *Summer 2002*

**PUBLICATIONS**

***Books-Foreign Policy***

*The Democracy Promotion Paradox* (Washington, Brookings Institute Press, 2016)

*The Color Revolutions* (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2012)

*Uncertain Democracy: U.S. Foreign Policy and Georgia’s Rose Revolution* (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2008)

***Books-Urban Politics***

*The Years Our Mayor: George Moscone and the Making of San Francisco* (Forthcoming)

*San Francisco Year Zero: Political Upheaval, Punk Rock and Third Place Baseball Team* (Rutgers University Press, 2019)

***Books-Baseball and Social History***

*The One Hundred Most Important Players in Baseball History* (Forthcoming, Artemesia Publishing, 2023)

*The Giants and Their City: Major League Baseball in San Francisco, 1976-1992* (Kent State University Press, 2021)

*Baseball Goes West: How the Dodgers and the Giants Shaped the Major Leagues* (Kent State University Press, 2018)

*Will Big League Baseball Survive: Globalization, the End of Television, Youth Sports and the Future of Big League Baseball* (Philadelphia, Temple University Press, 2016)

***Writing Positions***

Opinion Contributor, NBC (2022)

Columnist, *San Francisco Examiner* (2021-2022)

Opinion Contributor, CNN (2020-2022)

The American Angle, [*Brussels Morning*](https://brusselsmorning.com/the-american-angle/)(2020-2022)

North American Political Opinion Correspondent, [*The European Interest*](https://www.europeaninterest.eu/author/lincoln-mitchell/)(2018-2020)

Opinion Writer (with Tinatin Japaridze), [*The Moscow Times*](https://www.themoscowtimes.com/author/tinatin-japaridze-lincoln-mitchell) (2018-2019)

Opinion Contributor, [*Reuters*](https://www.reuters.com/journalists/lincoln-mitchell)(2018-2019)

National Political Correspondent, [*The Observer*](https://observer.com/author/lincoln-mitchell/)(2014-2016)

Contributor, The Huffington Post (May 2008-2017)

Contributor *The Faster Times* (May 2009-2012)

***Chapters in Edited Volumes***

“’Color’ Revolutions: Successes and Limitations of Non-Violent Protest, Jack A. Goldstone, Leonid Grinin and Andrey Korotayev, eds. *New Waves of Revolutions in the 21st Century - Understanding the Causes and Effects of Disruptive Political Changes* Springer, (2022)

“The Role of Public Relations and International Politics in Georgian Democracy Making,”

Tracey German, Stephen F. Jones, Kornely Kakachia,eds. *Georgia’s Foreign Policy in the 21st Century: Challenges for a Small State*I.B.Tauris, (2021)

“The Rose Revolution:  Georgia and Democratic Spin” in Ben Isakhan, Stephen Stockwell, eds. T*he Edinburgh Companion to the History of Democracy* Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press (2012].

“What Makes Reform So Difficult: The Case of America’s Cities and Reforming Elites,” in Ronald Hayduk and Kevin Mattson, eds. *Democracy’s Moment: Reforming the American Political System for the 21st Century* Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield (2002).

***Journal Articles (Partial list)***

“Actually, San Francisco Isn’t That Liberal and Never Was,” Washington Monthly, December 15, 2022

[“Putin’s Orange Obsession,”](https://www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/russia-fsu/2022-05-06/putins-orange-obsession) Foreign Affairs, May 6, 2022

["Regime Evolution in Trump's America: Should We Be Worried?,"](http://www.helvidius.org/essays/regime-evolution-in-trumps-america-should-we-be-worried/) *Columbia University Journal of Politics and Society*, Spring 2018

"Dropping in to See What Condition the Transition Is In: The US, Democratic Development and the South Caucasus," [*South Caucasus at a Crossroads: Thorny Realities and Great Expectations*](http://ge.boell.org/en/2014/06/17/south-caucasus-crossroad-thorny-realities-and-great-expectations) (Heinrich Boell Foundation, 2014)

“Dueling Narratives: Storytelling and Spin in Georgia,” *World Affairs Journal* (September-October 2013) 80-84

“What’s Next for Georgia? The End of the Rose Revolution,” *World Affairs Journal* (January-February 2013) 75-82

“The New World of Democracy Promotion,” *Current History* Vol. 110 No. 739 (November 2011) 311-316

“Faded Colors,” *The American Interest* Vol. 6 No. 5 (May/June 2011) 22-28

“Engagement without Recognition: A New Strategy for Abkhazia and Eurasia’s Unrecognized States,” *Washington Quarterly* Vol. 33 No.4 (October 2010) (Co-authored with Alexander Cooley)

“Abkhazia on Three Wheels,” *World Policy Journal* Vol. 28 No. 2 (Summer 2010) (Co-authored with Alexander Cooley)

“Toolbox: Georgia’s Territorial Integrity,” *American Interest* Vol. 5 No. 5 (May/June 2010) (Co-authored with Alexander Cooley)

“Georgia’s Story: Competing Narratives Since the War,” *Survival* Vol. 51 No. 4 (August 2009): 87-100

“Compromising Democracy: State Building in Saakashvili’s Georgia,” *Central Asian Survey* Vol. 28 No. 2 (Summer 2009): 171-183

“Georgia Postbellum,” *American Interest.* Vol. 4, No. 5 (May/June 2009)

“No Way to Treat Our Friends: Recasting Recent U.S.-Georgia Relations,” *Washington Quarterly*. Vol. 32, No. 1 (Winter 2008). (Co-authored with Alexander Cooley)

“More than Location: Crafting a US Policy for the Black Sea Region,” *Southeast European and Black Sea Studies*. Vol. 8, No. 2 (June 2008): 129-140

“Democracy Bound,” *The National Interest*. Vol. 95 (May/June 2008): 70-76

“Beyond Bombs and Ballots: Dispelling Myths about Democracy Assistance,” *The National Interest*. Vol. 88 (March/April 2007): 32-36

“Democracy in Georgia since the Rose Revolution,” *Orbis*. Vol. 50, No. 4 (Fall 2006): 669-676

“Georgia’s Rose Revolution,” *Current History*. Vol. 103, No. 675 (October 2004): 342-348

“Win, Place, Show: Public Opinion Polls and Campaign Contributions in a New York City Election,” *Urban Affairs Review*. Vol. 35, No. 4 (2000): 479-501. (Co-authored with E. Scott Adler and Ester Fuchs)

***Commentaries, Online Publications, and Policy Briefs (Partial List)***

[“Senator Dianne Feinstein faces pressure to end her 30 years representing California,”](https://theconversation.com/senator-dianne-feinstein-faces-pressure-to-end-her-30-years-representing-california-151986) The Conversation, April 14, 2022

“Harvey Milk’s murder is a stark reminder of the persistence of police brutality,” *The Guardian*, November 27, 2020

[“New Yorkers knew Donald Trump first – and they spurned him before many American voters did,”](https://theconversation.com/new-yorkers-knew-donald-trump-first-and-they-spurned-him-before-many-american-voters-did-148303) *The Conversation*, November 12, 2020

[“Demand Respect for Results,”](https://www.timesunion.com/opinion/article/Demand-respect-for-results-15619436.php) with Jerry Goldfeder, *Albany Times Union*, October 4, 2020

[“How the Coronavirus Has Already Changed Geopolitics,”](https://www.insideover.com/politics/how-the-coronavirus-has-already-changed-geopolitics.html) *Inside Over*, March 26, 2020

[“From Walter O’Malley to Rob Manfred-Bernie’s Baseball Journey,”](file:///Users/lincolnmitchell/Documents/Personal/Check%20out%20the%20excellent%20conversation%20on%20Represent%20NYC%20@MNN59%20with%20me%20and%20@mattmfm%20and%20Christina%20Greer.%20Preview%20is%20below.%20We%20discussed%20#DemocratiPrimary #Elections2020 #impeachment and more. The full episode will air Sunday at 7PM and Wednesday at 9PM.) *Bent Knees and Raised Fists*, January 16, 2020

[“Georgia: European Aspirations, Middle Eastern Realities,”](https://www.mei.edu/publications/georgia-european-aspirations-middle-eastern-realities?fbclid=IwAR1dlP-35p2q5XvV8vMf9mv1NdCt4ap_wR8lQo4Cn7we-WTrBQ1G9YV3Tb0) *Middle East Institute*, January 8, 2020

[“1978: the year that changed San Francisco forever,”](https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2020/jan/05/san-francisco-1978-changed-city) The Guardian, January 5, 2019

[“The Caucasus and the Middle East,”](https://www.mei.edu/publications/caucasus-and-middle-east) Middle East Institute, December 2, 2019

[“COLCHIS: Tbilisi’s Protests and the Georgian Dream Political Paradox,”](https://www.intellinews.com/colchis-tbilisi-s-protests-and-the-georgian-dream-political-paradox-163374/) *bne IntelliNews*, June 25, 2019

[“What the Dodgers and Giants’ 1958 Move West Meant for America,”](https://www.zocalopublicsquare.org/2019/03/27/dodgers-giants-1958-move-west-meant-america/ideas/essay/) *Zocalo Public Square*, March 27, 2019

[“A Donald Trump coup if he loses in 2020? With all the norms he's busted, don't rule it out,”](https://www.usatoday.com/story/opinion/2019/03/14/donald-trump-peaceful-transition-or-coup-if-he-loses-2020-column/3141268002/) USA Today, with Jerry Goldfeder, March 14, 2019

[“On the Cyber Battlefield, China, Not Russia, is the Biggest Threat to the U.S.,”](https://www.themoscowtimes.com/2019/02/25/in-the-cyber-battlefield-china-not-russia-is-the-biggest-threat-to-the-us-a64612) The Moscow Times, with Tinatin Japaridze, February 25, 2019

[“Venezuela Sets the Stage for a Putin-Trump Confrontation,”](https://themoscowtimes.com/articles/Venezuela-sets-the-state-for-a-putin-trum-congfrontation-op-ed-64463) The Moscow Times, with Tinatin Japaridze, February 13, 2019

[“The Perils of Overestimating Putin,”](https://themoscowtimes.com/articles/the-perils-of-overestimating-putin-op-ed-64107?fbclid=IwAR0QF4VH7pCUOZ7JYrRMlF6Trn3Bz4RT6rjX7y5M8CQsTKd0a5PgAY99GJM) The Moscow Times, with Tinatin Japaridze, January 11, 2019

# [“Assassinations, Jonestown and a punk-rock revolution: how 1978 changed San Francisco forever,”](https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2020/jan/05/san-francisco-1978-changed-city) The Guardian, January 5, 2019

[“The Specter of Russia Hangs Over Georgia’s Presidential Runoff,”](https://themoscowtimes.com/articles/the-specter-of-russia-over-georgias-presidential-runoff-op-ed-63613) The Moscow Times with Tinatin Japaridze, November 28, 2018

[“The Year that Shook Up San Francisco’s Jewish Community,”](https://www.tabletmag.com/jewish-life-and-religion/272146/1978-san-francisco-jewish-community) Tablet Magazine, November 27, 2018

[“Commentary: Forty Years On, Moscone-Milk Political Legacy Still Matters,”](https://www.reuters.com/article/us-mitchell-moscone-commentary/commentary-forty-years-on-moscone-milk-political-legacy-still-matters-idUSKCN1NV2A9) *Reuters*, November 26, 2018

[“Trump Has Cleared the Way for Russian ‘Hacktivities,”](https://themoscowtimes.com/articles/us-cybersecurity-strategy-offers-russia-no-clarity-63061) The Moscow Times, October 2, 2018, with Tinatin Japaridze

[“When the Russian Dog Finally Caught Up with the American Car,”](https://themoscowtimes.com/articles/when-the-russian-dog-caught-up-with-the-american-car-op-ed-63002) The Moscow Times, September 26, 2018, with Tinatin Japaridze

[“US-Russia Relations: How 2016 Changed Everything and Nothing,”](http://russiancouncil.ru/en/analytics-and-comments/columns/political-life-of-usa/us-russia-relations-how-2016-changed-everything-and-nothing/) *Russia International Affairs Council*, August 23, 2018, with Tinatin Japaridze

["The Rise and Fall of Mikheil Saakashvili,"](http://www.aljazeera.com/indepth/opinion/rise-fall-mikheil-saakashvili-180220122748810.html) *Al Jazeera*, February 20, 2018

["Does Democracy Still Matter in Georgia,"](https://eurasiademocraticsecuritynetwork.wordpress.com/2017/11/28/policy-brief-does-democracy-still-matter-in-georgia/) *European Democratic Security Network*, November 28, 2017

["The Mayor and the Footballer,"](https://eurasiademocraticsecuritynetwork.wordpress.com/2017/11/02/the-mayor-and-the-footballer/) *European Democratic Security Network*, November 2, 2017

["The Kremlin and the Panopticon,"](https://eurasiademocraticsecuritynetwork.wordpress.com/2017/10/17/the-kremlin-and-the-panopticon/) *European Democratic Security Network*, October 17, 2017

["Stuck in Neutral: Georgia's Constitutional Reforms,"](http://emerging-europe.com/voices/voices-politics/stuck-in-neutral-georgias-constitutional-reforms/) *Emerging Europe*, July 6, 2017

["Why is This Guy Still Talking About Democracy in Georgia?"](http://gip.ge/why-is-this-guy-still-talking-about-democracy-in-georgia/) *Georgia Institute of Politics*, Commentary, March 2017

[“Putin’s Risky Bet in Eastern Ukraine,”](https://theweek.com/articles/447704/putins-risky-bet-eastern-ukraine) *The Weekly Wonk,* April 21, 2014

["Our Dangerous Mistake in Ukraine,"](http://weeklywonk.newamerica.net/articles/dangerous-ukraine-mistake/) *The Weekly Wonk,*February 27, 2014

["A Tale of Two Ukraines,"](http://weeklywonk.newamerica.net/editions/two-ukraines-love-your-ex/#article-1) *The Weekly Wonk,* February 13, 2014

["Georgia: A Low-Key, but Potentially Pivotal Presidential Contest,"](http://www.eurasianet.org/node/67680) *Eurasianet*, October 25, 2013

["Georgia is not Ukraine and Must Be Given a Chance to Prove It,"](http://www.theparliament.com/latest-news/article/newsarticle/georgia-is-not-ukraine-and-must-be-given-the-chance-to-prove-it/#.Uid6chY5ctv) *The Parliament: Politics, Policy and People*September 2, 2013

[“The Rose Revolution Through a Fun House Mirror,”](http://www.the-american-interest.com/article.cfm?piece=1421) *The American Interest*, April 22, 2013

[“Four Observations and Four Questions from the Georgian Elections,”](http://www.eurasianet.org/node/66186) *Eurasianet,* November 15, 2012

[“A Counterproductive Disdain,”](http://www.nytimes.com/2011/09/01/opinion/01iht-edcooley01.html) *The New York Times* August 31, 2011 (with Alexander Cooley)

[“North Africa Through the Lens of the Color Revolutions,”](http://www.eurasianet.org/node/62832) *Eurasianet,* February 4, 2011

[“A Direct Route to Engagement,”](http://www.iiss.org/programmes/russia-and-eurasia/about/georgian-russian-dialogue/caucasus-security-insight/alexander-cooley-lincoln-mitchell/a-direct-route-to-engagement/) *Caucasus Security Insight,* October 2010 (with Alexander Cooley)

*After the August War:  A New Strategy for U.S. Engagement with Georgia* Harriman Institute, Columbia University May 2010 (with Alexander Cooley)

[“Georgia Needs a Different Path to Democracy,”](http://www.rferl.org/content/Georgia_Needs_A_Different_Path_To_Democracy/1623301.html) *Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty* May 7, 2009 (with Andrew Sidamon-Eristoff)

[“Georgia’s Mutiny Mystery,”](http://experts.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2009/05/06/georgias_mutiny_mystery)*Foreign Policy: The Argument* May 6, 2009.

[“Reeling in Russia,”](http://newsweek.washingtonpost.com/postglobal/needtoknow/2008/10/reeling_in_russia.html) *Washington Post Global*,October 30, 2008.

[“Viewing Georgia, without the Rose Colored Glasses,”](http://topics.blogs.nytimes.com/2008/09/25/viewing-georgia-without-the-rose-colored-glasses/) *New York Times,* September 25, 2008.

[“Mad at the U.S., but Still Tied to It,”](http://topics.blogs.nytimes.com/2008/09/25/viewing-georgia-without-the-rose-colored-glasses/) *New York Times*, August 13, 2008.

[“In Search of a Free Georgia,”](http://www.themoscowtimes.com/article/1016/42/369709.htm) *Moscow Times*, August 11, 2008.

“Enhancing Democracy Assistance,” American Foreign Policy Interests, Vol. 30, No. 3 (May/June 2008). (Co-authored with David L. Phillips)

[“The End of the Rose Era,”](http://www.tol.cz/look/TOL/article.tpl?IdLanguage=1&IdPublication=4&NrIssue=271&NrSection=4&NrArticle=19644) *Transitions Online*, May 27, 2008

[“Dour Democrats,”](http://www.tol.cz/look/TOL/article.tpl?IdLanguage=1&IdPublication=4&NrIssue=262&NrSection=2&NrArticle=19475) *Transitions Online*, March 26, 2008

[“The Pitfalls of Aid,”](http://www.tol.cz/look/TOL/article.tpl?IdLanguage=1&IdPublication=4&NrIssue=261&NrSection=2&NrArticle=19459&search=search&SearchKeywords=Pitfalls+of+Aid&SearchMode=on&SearchLevel=0) *Transitions Online*, March 18, 2008. (Co-authored with David L. Phillips)

[“What was the Rose Revolution For? Understanding the Georgian Revolution,”](http://www.harvardir.org/articles/1684/) *Harvard International Review*.February 27, 2008

[“Inside Track: Beacon of Democracy or Khachapuri Republic?”](http://www.nationalinterest.org/Article.aspx?id=16342) *National Interest Online*. December 13, 2008

“Challenges of Supporting Democratic Governance in Fragile Contexts-UNDP,” *Transforming Fragile States-Examples of Practical Experience*. Baden-Baden, Nomos (2007)

**OTHER EMPLOYMENT**

***International Political Development Consultant*** *(2004-Present)*

Consulted on numerous projects addressing topics including elections, anti-corruption political party development, and democratization, primarily in the former Soviet Union, Africa, and the Middle East.  Clients have included governments, non-governmental organizations, multilateral organizations, and private businesses.

***Projects (partial list)***

Jamaica, M&E Associates (July 2019-October 2019) Served as the subject matter expert on an evaluation of USAID anti-corruption programming in Jamaica.

Jordan, MSI (March 2018-June 2018) Served as the subject matter expert on an evaluation of CEPPS programming in Jordan from 2010-2017.

Middle East, Pillar Systems Corporation (July 2016-October 2016, Middle East Region) Conducted multi-country evaluation of MEPI projects in the Kuwait, Israel and the Palestinian authority.

Georgia, Netherlands Institute for Multiparty Democracy (NIMD) (July-September 2015) Team Leader-Evaluation of “NIMD’s South Caucasus-Georgia Programmes.”

Global, Freedom House (June 2014-January 2015) Advisor and lead author on several democracy assistance related projects.

Albright Stonebridge Group, (March-August 2014) Risk assessment for China and Eurasia

Myanmar, Columbia University Institute for the Study of Human Rights (January-March 2014) Political Party Workshops, Senior Advisor.

Pakistan, Tetratech (August 2013-January 2014) Team Leader, Democracy, Rights and Governance Evaluation.

Azerbaijan, DI (July-October 2013) Team Leader, “New Media Project” Performance Evaluation.

Ukraine, DI (April-August 2012) Team Leader, “The Parliamentary Development Program” Evaluation.

Global, UNDEF (2011-2013) Team Member, Proposal Screening. Evaluated hundreds of proposals form activists in dozens of countries for UNDEF grants on topics such as civil society development, election monitoring and anti-corruption.

Montenegro, DI (September-December 2011) Team Leader, “Legislative Strengthening and Political Party Program,” Evaluation.

Azerbaijan, DI (May-September 2011) Team Leader, “Parliamentary Program of Azerbaijan” Evaluation.

Kosovo, DI (March-July 2010) Team Leader, “Kosovo Civil Society Strengthening Project” Evaluation.

Global, UNDEF (June-July 2010) Researcher and Writer, Meta-Evaluation of UNDEF’s work on democratic development and fighting corruption.

Bosnia and Herzegovina, NDI (September-October 2009) Team Member Democracy Assessment.

Ukraine, ARD (November 2008-February 2009) Political Scientist, Ukraine Labor Sector Assessment.

Cambodia, Checchi and Company (April-July 2008) Political Party Expert “Political Competitiveness and Civil Society Assessment.”

Pakistan, Department for International Development (DFID) (March-April 2008) Team Leader, Electoral Assessment.

Kosovo, DI (January-March 2008) Team Leader, “Kosovo Civil Society Program” Evaluation.

Armenia, DI (May-August 2007) Team Leader, Legislative Strengthening Evaluation.

Romania, DI (June-October 2007) Political Specialist, Civil Society Evaluation.

Ukraine, NDI (January-May 2007) Interim director-political party work, political party assessment, liaising with funders.

Serbia, NDI (November 2007) Political Party Expert.

Haiti, NDI (May 2007) Team Member, Political party development.

Bonsia and Herzegovina, NDI (2006) Political party development.

Democratic Republic of Congo, NDI (May-September 2006) Political Party Expert, Political party work, discussions with USAID and assistance managing NDI’s work.

Palestinian Authority, NDI (November 2005-January 2006) Team Leader, Political party work leading up to the January 2006 election.

Azerbaijan, NDI (May-October 2005) Political Party Expert, Political party advising.

Turkey, UNDP (January-February 2005) Monitoring and Evaluation Expert, Monitoring out of country voting for the Iraqi election.

Tanzania, NDI (September 2005) Politcal Party Expert, Political Party Assessment.

Bahrain, NDI (May-June 2005) Team Leader, Political Party assessment.

Georgia, NDI (November 2004-November 2006) Senior Advisor.

Kyrgyzstan, NDI (November 2004-May 2005) Political Party Expert.

Bangladesh, NDI (October 2004) Political Party Expert.

Bulgaria, NDI (March-April 2001) Political Party Expert.

Bosnia and Herzegovina, NDI (January 2000-February 2002) Political Party Expert.

***Chief of Party****,* ***National Democratic Institute-Tbilisi, Georgia*** *(2002-2004)*

Oversaw civic, political party, legislative strengthening and anti-corruption programs. Developed and secured funding for programs.  Liaised with the international and diplomatic community.  Advised Georgian political leaders.

***Political and Strategic Consultant*** *(1997-2002)*

Worked with political candidates to raise money, build their campaign organization, develop their message and communicate with voters.  Oversaw overall strategy of numerous campaigns.  Performed a broad array of consulting services primarily around issues of political communication and strategy for several non-political clients.

Former political clients include: New York State Democratic Committee (*1997-1998*), Wisconsin Democratic Party (*2000*), Kathryn Freed for New York City Public Advocate (*1999-2001*), Alan Gerson for City Council (*1999-2001*), Ken Fisher for Brooklyn Borough President (*2001*), Rangel for Congress (*1998*), Ford for Congress (*1998, 2000*), Vallone for Governor (*1998*), Neighbors for Ted Thomas (*1999*), and several other local campaigns in New York

Former NGO clients include: The Rockefeller Foundation (*1998-1999*); Worked in the building democracy program on several projects in the areas of human rights, civil society, civil rights and funding strategies for New York Community Leadership Institute (*2000*), New American Youth Initiative (*1999-2000*), and 1199SEIU (*1996, 1998*)

***Campaign Manager, C. Virginia Fields for Manhattan Borough President*** *(1997)*

Successfully managed competitive campaign for Manhattan Borough President.  Served as a strategic advisor and supervised million dollar budget, two offices, and twenty staff and consultants.

***Deputy Political Director, New York State Democratic Committee*** *(1996)*

Brought technical and material support to several New York State congressional campaigns.  Helped write and execute the voter contact plan for Democratic Party in New York State.

**SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS (Partial List)**

Center for Strategic and International Studies, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Georgia Foundation for Strategic and International Studies, The New School for Social Research, Yale University, Cornell University, Davis Center at Harvard University, New York University Center for Global Affairs, Beloit College, Society for International Business Fellows, University of Connecticut, Council on Foreign Relations, The Atlantic Council of the United States, the United States Department of State, the German Council on Foreign Relations, the United States Agency for International Development, Georgia Forum, Central Asia-Caucasus Institute at the School of Advanced International Study at Johns Hopkins University, American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, Western Political Science Association, Northeast Political Science Association, Heinrich Boll Foundation, Georgia Defense and Security Conference, Foreign Policy Research Institute, several institutes and departments at Columbia University, Bergino Baseball Clubhouse, The Baseball Center, New York Giants Preservation Society, National Baseball Hall of Fame, Society for American Baseball Research, Indivisible Brooklyn, the Commonwealth Club of San Francisco, The San Francisco Public Library, The Institute for Baseball Studies, the Sacramento Seminar, LimmudFSU

**LANGUAGES**

Proficient inMandarin Chinese, Russian and French