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Career Profile

Intelligence professional with 38 years of operational experience in the field and in the intelligence and policy communities. Strong regional expertise on East/Southeast Asia. Extensive program management experience. Functional expertise in counterintelligence, counterproliferation, adult education and instruction. Multiple rotational assignments to the intelligence community and policy agencies, including FBI and ODNI. Retired from the Central Intelligence Agency.

Clearances

Top Secret SCI with current background investigation with full-scope polygraph.

Professional Experience

Xebec/Centauri

Counterintelligence Officer, Intelligence Community

Aug 2019 – May 2020

- CI referent to an element of the U.S. IC

Central Intelligence Agency

Senior Operations Officer, Directorate of Operations, CIA

2016 – 2018

- Conducted sensitive operations

DCIA Faculty Representative, U.S. Naval War College

2013 – 2016

- Directed intelligence studies program and provided intelligence support to NWC faculty, staff and students

- Taught in Joint Maritime Operations (JMO) department

Office of the Director of National Intelligence

National Counterintelligence Office for East Asia, ODNI/NCIX **2011 – 2013**

- Provided strategic leadership on IC-wide counterintelligence issues pertaining to East Asia

Central Intelligence Agency

Assistant Section Chief, Counterintelligence Division, FBI **2010 – 2011**

- Detailed to FBI, provided operational guidance and expertise and fostered collaboration on counterintelligence operations against a high-priority target

Group Chief, East Asia Division **2008 – 2010**

- Led a worldwide program against one of the Agency's most difficult targets
- Supported multiple field stations in East Asia

Group Chief, Counterproliferation Division **2007 – 2008**

- Conceived and executed innovative and complex operations against a major proliferator

Group Chief within Human Resources **2005 – 2007**

- Designed and led recruiting, outreach and advertising programs in support of a major DO hiring surge

Deputy Group Chief, East Asia Division **2004 – 2005**

- Managed global operations against a major target

Deputy Chief of Station, East Asia Division **2001 – 2004**

Branch Chief, East Asia Division **1999 - 2001**

Senior Analyst, Office of East Asia and Pacific Analysis **1998 – 1999**

- Rotational assignment as a Senior Analyst on East Asia issues

- Branch Chief, Europe Division** **1996 – 1998**
 - Managed operations at a major field station
- Executive Assistant, Office of the Deputy Director for Operations** **1995 – 1996**
- Executive Office of the President**
- Office of the United States Trade Representative** **1993 – 1995**
 - Policy assignment, detailed to USTR’s Office of Japan and China
- Operations Officer, three tours, Southeast/East Asia** **1983 – 1992**
 - Successful field tours as an Operations Officer
- Career Trainee, CIA** **1980 – 1983**

Other Professional Activities

- Independent Consultant, political risk/corporate counterintelligence Jan – Aug 2019
- Assistant Adjunct Professor of National Security Studies
Georgetown University 2012 – present
- Adjunct Instructor, Center for Global Affairs
New York University 2020 - present

Education

- Master’s Degree in International Public Policy
Johns Hopkins, School of Advanced International Studies 1993
- Bachelor of Science of Foreign Service
Georgetown University, School of Foreign Service 1980

Professional Development

- Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA), Security Industry Essentials (SIE) Exam
- Field Operations Certification
- French, Tagalog, Indonesian and Japanese language training
- Instructor and Facilitation Training, CIA

Hobbies

- Kayaking, fishing, birding

Memberships and affiliations

- Asia Society, U.S. Naval Institute, International Studies Association, Japan Society, Foreign Policy Research Institute, American Society for Industrial Security