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Publications

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Published in *Foreign Affairs*, *Foreign Policy*, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The National Interest*, *American Interest*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *SAIS Review*, *Brookings Reports* (with Michael O'Hanlon), *Survival*

Military Service

- Veteran; Honorable Discharge
- US Army Aviator (Helicopter Pilot)
- Awarded 'Joint Service Commendation Medal'
- Deployed Officer with NATO Implementation Force (IFOR; Operation Joint Endeavor)

Board Service

- Johns Hopkins School of Advanced Studies – Board of Advisers
- National Council on US-Libya Relations – Executive Board

Languages

- Croatian / Serbian / Bosnian
- French, Italian, Spanish
- Worked professionally in all above languages

Summary

Widely respected foreign policy professional, with rare combination of *field* (conflict & post-conflict), and *policy formulation & advocacy* experience.

Co-led one of the largest democracy, governance & human rights missions.

Versatile, visionary, dynamic leader with proven, imaginative *advocacy record*, *highest-level USG relationships*, and *broad international network*.

Professional & Political Experience

2019-2020 Lead, Balkans/Serbia & Kosovo/Europe Group

Biden for President, Foreign Policy Team

Charter member of Biden foreign policy team. Lead on Kosovo and Serbia, including throughout Trump/Grenell efforts. Drafted Biden-issued statements on human rights issues; policy briefings and reports. Active collaboration with US diaspora groups. Direct communication with figures now in highest-level Administration positions. Field role: Iowa and Nevada.

2018 - present Executive Director; Executive Board Member

[National Council on US-Libya Relations](#)

Led multi-faceted international non-profit with prestigious trans-Atlantic Board dedicated to stabilizing Libya through advocacy, public engagement and on-the-ground projects. Organized Hill and on-line Advocacy [Events](#), including with former FM on stabilizing Libya through the 1951 Constitution.

2012 - present Adjunct Professor; Senior Fellow; Member, Board of Advisers

[Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies](#)

Research and write as Senior Fellow at SAIS [Foreign Policy Institute](#). and teach graduate students in Conflict Management & US Foreign Policy. Focus on post-conflict transition, democracy, governance, elections, human rights, and civil society. Special training session on Policy Advocacy.

2014 - Present On-air Foreign Policy Commentator

Al Jazeera, Alhurra, Al Arabiya

Among the most frequent, popular on-air Al Jazeera commentators during US elections and other major international/foreign policy events.

2014 - 2017 Executive Director

[Institute of Current World Affairs](#)

Modernized 95 year-old grant-making foundation as first outside (non-alumnus) Executive Director. Conceived and organized high-profile Hill Advocacy Events. Overhauled entire communications portfolio.

2010 - 2012 Deputy Head of Mission

[OSCE Mission in Kosovo](#)

(Ambassador-rank position.) Co-led one of the largest (nearly 700 staff) democracy, human rights, justice, civil society and institution-building missions in the world with annual budget of \$28m. Supervised senior staff in all program areas; oversaw operations, and administration & finance.

- *In May, 2012, cited by US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and OSCE Secretary-General Lamberto Zannier for averting a crisis between Serbia and Kosovo by negotiating an eleventh-hour election breakthrough.*

2010 - 2010 Chief of Party

[InterAction, Haiti Emergency Response](#)

Working in French, led InterAction's USAID-funded NGO coordination effort following massive response to the 2010 Haiti earthquake. Instilled unity and a collaborative spirit among a disparate NGO community. Fostered milestone agreement among NGOs for their selection of a single NGO representative to the Reconstruction Commission co-chaired by President Clinton and the Haitian Prime Minister. Built close relationship with USAID.

2009 - 2010 Policy Director, US Congressional Commission

[Commission on Security & Cooperation in Europe](#)

Political appointment by Senator Ben Cardin as Policy Director for bipartisan US Helsinki Commission. Oversaw broad human rights, including religious rights, and security portfolio. Liaised with USAID on Afghanistan policy and implementation. Organized Congressional hearing on the 2009 popular uprising in Iran. Oversaw staff operations, addressed staff communications issues. Joined/supported Senators Cardin and Durbin on Co-del visits to Bosnia-Herzegovina, Lithuania and Belarus.

1992 - 2010 Field Deployments (Conflict & Humanitarian Emergencies)

- Expert Assessment Team, **Afghanistan**, USAID, NOV-FEB 2008-09
- Election Observer, **Peshawar, Pakistan**, IRI, 2007 – FEB 2008
Held last int'l meeting with Benazir Bhutto before her assassination
- Chief Election Observer, **Haiti & Congo**; IFES; AUG 2005 – DEC 2006
- Coordinator, Democracy Support, Baghdad, **Iraq**; NDI; JUN-DEC 2004
- Project Director, Skopje, **Macedonia**; International Crisis Group; JUL 2001 – AUG 2003
- Municipal Administrator, **Kosovo**; UNMIK; NOV 2000 – JUN 2001
- Refugee Camp Manager, **Mak/Kosovo**; Catholic Relief Services; APR 1999 – NOV 1999
- Regional Director, Mostar, Brcko, **Bosnia**, OSCE, DEC 1996 – OCT 1999
- Deployed Army Officer, **Bosnia**, US Army/NATO, DEC 1995 – OCT 1996
- UN Civil Affairs Officer, **Croatia and Bosnia**, AUG 1992 – JUN 1995

1989 - 1992 Attorney-Advisor

US Arms Control & Disarmament Agency

Co-Legal Adviser to US START Delegation when Treaty signed in Moscow.

Education

1986

J.D. University of Virginia School of Law

Member, Maryland and DC Bars

1981

M.A. Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS)

Bologna, Italy and Washington, DC

1980

B.A. (with honors) Johns Hopkins University