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EDUCATION

1975 B.A., Reed College
2003 M.Div., Starr King School for the Ministry, Graduate Theological Union
2009 Ph.D., Ethics and Social Theory, Graduate Theological Union

TEACHING

2005-2009 Ethics, University of San Francisco
2010- Ethics: Service Learning, University of San Francisco
present

OTHER EMPLOYMENT

1997-2002 **Senior Research Associate, Applied Research Center**

Responsible for a wide variety of public policy research and writing projects, including monographs, book-length reports, and an interactive CD-ROM (Publications list appended)

- Wrote on a variety of subjects, including opinion polling, public education, and welfare reform.
- Evaluated the work of community-based organizations for several years of the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation's Intermediary Support Program for Emerging Organizations.
- Designed, directed, and wrote the final report for a national survey of 1,500 women affected by the 1996 Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act.
- Created *Making the Grade*, an interactive CD-ROM, written in FileMaker Pro, which assists community-based organizations to evaluate their local school districts on 10 markers of racial equity.

1995-1997 **Co-Founder and Operations Director, Californians for Justice**

Participated in founding this statewide organization dedicated to building political power in California's communities of color. Oversaw CFJ's transition from an electoral field campaign, created to oppose California's Proposition 209, to a stable statewide organization with an effective democratic governance structure.

1990-1994 **Controller, Tides Foundation**

Responsible for all aspects of accounting and budgeting for this \$40 million per year public foundation.

1990 **Director, Nicaragua Program, TecNica**

Oversaw the Nicaragua operations of this technical assistance organization working in Nicaragua and southern Africa.

- 1990 **Team Leader, South Africa Program, TecNica**
Led a small team providing technical assistance in desktop publishing for anti-apartheid newspapers in South Africa.
- 1985-1990 **Staff Accountant, Chowning & Rianda**
Provided accounting services for the clients of this bookkeeping and tax preparation service.
- 1984 **Long-term Volunteer, Witness for Peace**
Working in the war zones of Nicaragua, collected the testimony of *campesinos* who had survived attacks of the U.S.-funded *contra* army.
- 1981-1983 **Accountant, Shelter Shed Co.**
1979-1981 **Supervisor, Account Review, Oregon Health Sciences Center**
1977-1978 **Co-Manager, A Woman's Place Bookstore**
1975-1978 **Clerk, Oregon Liquor Control Commission**

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

2006 "Torture Comes Out of the Closet" in *Peace Review: A Journal of Social Justice*, Winter 2006 (Vol. 18.4)

At Applied Research Center:

- 2002 "What Color Are the Hands?" in *ColorLines* magazine, vol. 4, no.4
"From Social Contract to Social Control: Welfare Policy and Race"
(with Gary Delgado) in *From Poverty to Punishment*
- 2001 *Cruel and Usual: How Welfare "Reform" Punishes Poor People*
Facing the Consequences: An Examination of Racial Discrimination in U.S. Public Schools
- 2000 *Making the Grade: A Racial Justice Report Card* (Interactive CDROM)
The New Racisms (with Gary Delgado and Michael Omi)
- 1999 *Race & Education: a Handbook for Journalists*

Other:

- 1986 *Letters From Nicaragua* (San Francisco: Spinsters-Aunt Lute)

PAPERS PRESENTED

- 2004 "The Tortured Body: a Liturgy of the Eucharist," Pacific Section, Society of Christian Ethics
- 2006 "Does Practice Make Perfect? Torture, Virtue Ethics, and the Christian Sacramental Tradition," American Academy of Religion, national meeting, Ethics Group
- 2006 "The Tortured Body, Meditation on the Eucharist" American Academy of Religion, national meeting, Christian Spirituality Section