

**The Honorable
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EDUCATION

EdD in Organizational Leadership with an emphasis in Organizational Development and Strategic Planning – In progress

Master's Degree – Public Administration with an emphasis in Government and Public Policy

BA in Interdisciplinary Studies with emphasis in Applied Management and History

- **Summa Cum Laude**
- **Delta Mu Delta - Member**

U.S. Career Institute, Fort Collins, CO 80525

PARALEGAL - with certificates in:

**Federal and State Court Case Law and Statutory Writing and Research
Business, Contract and HR Law
Real Estate Law, Criminal Law and Civil Law
Family Law
Bankruptcy
Wills and Estate Planning and Probate
Personal Injury and Torts Law, and Ethics**

Continuing Legal Education Credits (CLE) completed through:

CLE International in –

Arizona Water Law, Growth and Water Supply, Eminent Domain

The National Rifle Association Foundation CLE 12th Annual National Firearms Law Seminar

The Attorney General's office in -

The American's Disability Act, Agreements between the Navajo Nation and State Agencies, Discovery in the Age of Electronically Stored Information, Social Media and Government Entities Legal and Ethical Issues, 2011 Supreme Court Review, Landlord and Tenant Act, Logical Fallacies,

Juvenile Law, The Challenges of Maintaining Professional Autonomy While Working in a Hierarchy and Obedience and the Professional Practice of Law, Arizona Employer Sanctions Law, Arizona Turbo Court, Ethics, Irving Younger's Ten commandments of Cross-Examination

Above apply to maintaining Continuing Law Education (CLE) requirements and membership and standing with the National Association of Legal Assistants (NALA)

**Member of the National Association of Legal Assistants (NALA)
Member of the Arizona Paralegals Association (APA)**

**Northland Pioneer College, Showlow, AZ 85901
Associates of General Studies
Certificates in Real Estate, Fire Sciences I & II – Wild land and Structural**

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SUMMARY OF PUBLIC SERVICE EXPERIENCE

Political campaigns and activities from Presidential to small local and all size races and types of offices as a manager, consultant, fund raiser, trainer, coach, mentor, advocate, events and volunteer coordinator, marketing, community outreach.

I have served as: Legislator, Non Profit President, Lobbyist, consultant, fund raiser, events and volunteer coordinator, marketing director, recruiter, trainer, analyst, strategic planner.

- Elected official of the Maricopa County Community College Board 2008 to present**
- Leadership roles in Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) 2008 to present**
- State Of Arizona House of Representatives – Elected Legislator 1997-2003**
- Recognized as the hardest working Legislator in AZ Legislature 1997-2002**
- District Events/Training Director for the Boy Scouts of America 1975-1994**
- Paralegal/National Signing Agent/Notary**
- Chair of the AZ State Legislatures Banking and Insurance Committee**
- Chair of the AZ State Legislatures Government Operations Committee**
- Chair of the AZ State Legislatures Community College Committee**
- Served on many Interim, Study and Blue Ribbon AZ State Legislative Committees.**

- Raised money and worked for many campaigns from Presidential, to small local races. Lobbied and successfully passed HMO and Health Care Savings Account, Veteran and Community College and pro life and family issues in Washington DC, AZ and other States
- Author of the Baby Safe Haven Law. Worked 14 years to accomplish the passage in all 50 States
- AZ State Lobbyist for Eagle Forum (Volunteer)
- State Legislative Technology Planning and Sustainability Chair
- Co Author of the AZ Education Scholarship Tax Credit Laws and Charter School laws
- Organizer and Ambassador to Israel and Korea for Women for World Peace organization
- Colorado River Water Users Association(CRWUA)Landmark Seven Basin State Settlement
- Civic engagement, civil discourse coach, program development, events/process strategist
- Created the Northern Arizona Barrel Racing Association/served on the Board
- Arizona Scholarship Tuition Foundation – Board Member
- Girls Intramural Softball, Volleyball, Track Coach

Short list of campaigns include but not limited to:

- Ronald Reagan Presidential campaigns
- Lucille Webb School Board campaign
- Judge Abbey Supreme Court Justice campaign
- Trent Franks Congressional campaigns
- Pat Buchanan Presidential campaign
- Dave Farnsworth Legislative campaign (Chair)
- Matt Salmon Governor campaign
- Ken Bennett for AZ Secretary of State and AZ Governor
- Dr. Sandra Livingstone for Congressional District 1
- Jan Smith Florez For Governor campaign (Retired Appeals Court Justice)
- Mentoring and advocating for single mothers through Community College Completion

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PRIVATE SECTOR EXPERIENCE

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Brimhall Construction, Snowflake, AZ. 85937

Payroll, Benefits, Banking, Accounts Payable and Receivable, Inventory, Job Materials Inventory, HR Director, Business Manager, 24 years of experience.

- **Hand wrote payroll, taxes, benefits and all Government related costs of doing business**
- **Collected monies and paid out money to all verified bills.**
- **Negotiated contracts with subcontractors, employees, rents, leases and purchases**
- **Managed all banking and finance issues**
- **Created a system for tracking inventory, work scheduling and monitoring, as well as evaluating and scoring efficiencies in project management**

Teaching – School Districts – Showlow, Heber, Holbrook, Snowflake/Taylor, BlueRidge, and Kestrel High School Charter (current) – English/Economics/History/Government/Civic Engagement

Sales and Marketing–Princess House Crystal, Sunrider Whole Foods, Zeuqram Technology, Brown and Brown Chevrolet, Mel Clayton Ford, Elegant Brides and Evening Wear

- **Top sales in Arizona, Top sales in Western Region**
- **Director in less than a year**
- **Finance**
- **Fleet Sales**
- **Trade shows/marketing and sales**
- **Marketing**

CERCA (Citizens Equal Rights and Constitutional Alliance)

Legal Assistant to Lana Marcussen Esq. Albuquerque, NM

- **Organized, managed paper work, researched and studied historical issues of Water Law related to the 1848 Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo**
- **Member of CRWUA (Colorado River Water Users Association) Took part in the Seven Colorado River Basin State agreement signed by the Sec. Of Interior Dec. 13, 2007**
- **Petitioned for Standing in the BLM's Land and Water Management Plan for the Lake Havasu Region, taking the Bureau of Reclamations historical right of authority position on the issue**

Lobbyist - Eagle Forum, Arizona Chiropractic Society, Arizona Scholarship Fund, Community Colleges, Student groups participation in Civic Engagement

Business Owner / POWERR Management and Strategic Consulting

10 years non-profit, as well as political fund raising, strategic planning and consulting experience, including events/trade shows and volunteer coordinator

Wildlife Images Inc., Scottsdale, AZ 82524

Office Manager, Payroll Manager, HR Director, Business manager

- **Managed all office activities**
- **Negotiated benefit and employee contracts**
- **Wrote payroll checks, paid all taxes and required Government licensing fees**
- **Negotiated contracts with subcontractors, rents, leases and purchases**
- **Managed all banking and finance issues**
- **Created a system for tracking inventory, work scheduling and monitoring, as well as evaluating and scoring efficiencies in project management**

Arizona Attorney General's Office

- **Legal Secretary/Administrative Assistant**

REFERENCES

Congressman Trent Franks

202-365-3011

The Honorable Ken Bennett – Arizona Secretary of State

928-978-5531

Senator Linda Gray

602-926-3376

Former Speaker of the House Jim Weiers

602-926-4173

The Honorable Jan Smith Florez Esq.

Former County Attorney

Retired Appellate Court Justice

520-270-4427

The Honorable Judge Mark Anderson

480-964-2958

The Honorable Barbara Brewer

Former Mayor of Payson

928-978-5531

Lana Marcussen Esq.

602- 667-5973

Rick Hatch

Business Owner

480-905-1903

Dr. Rufus Glasper
Chancellor for Maricopa County Community Colleges
480-731-8000

Kris Hall
Brown and Brown Chevrolet – Finance Department
480-577-4897

Noah Brown
CEO of Association of Community Colleges Trustees (ACCT)
202-775-4667

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VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE AND GROUP MEMBERSHIP

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Clubs/organizations/leadership roles include but are not limited to:

- The Swan Project-Mentoring and advocating for single mothers through Community College Completion
- Fire Fighter
- Arizona Safe Baby Haven Organization
- National Baby Safe Haven Foundation, Founder
- National Genetics Research Council
- Colter Foundation
- Arizona Parents Day Council
- Women for World Peace
- Campaigns and elections at local, County, State and National levels since 1975
- Precinct Committeeman
- Precinct Captain
- Legislative District 18 Republican Vice Chair positions
- Colorado River Water Users Association (CRWUA)
- National Association of Legal Assistants (NALA)
- Arizona Independent Paralegal Assistants
- Eagle Forum
- Arizona Right to Life
- Arizona Republican Assembly (Arizona Republican Woman of the Year Award – 1996)

Member and Associate Member of many Republican Women's Clubs in the Phoenix area as well as Rim Country, Gold Canyon, Payson and Prescott, Central Phoenix, Paradise Valley, Lincoln, Cactus Wren

National Federation of Republican Women

National Committee of State Legislature (On many committees working on

- (Author of many different forms of "National Model Legislation")**

National Committee of Insurance Legislators (NCOIL)

National Foundation for Women Legislators

Hummers to Harleys for Hope

Safari Club International

Girls Scouts

Boy Scouts – 19 years as a local, District and State Leadership

Softball and Volleyball Coach Jr. High and High School age girls

Life Member of the NRA

Northern Arizona Barrel Racing Association

Northern Arizona Softball League

Women's Volleyball

Women's Softball

Hacienda HOGs Chapter

Diversity Committee of the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT)

Nominating Committee of the ACCT

Audit and Finance Committee of the ACCT

Pacific Region Representative of the ACCT's Asian, Pacific Islander, Native American (APINATA)

Chair of ACCT's National APINATA Caucus (four years)

Elected Official of the Maricopa County Community College Board