

C. S. FUND

The C.S. Fund makes grants to tax-exempt organizations and administers the charitable contributions of its sister organization, the Warsh/Mott Legacy.

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FUNDING GOALS & GUIDELINES

The C.S. Fund makes grants to programs that demonstrate national or international impact and that lead directly to changes in policy or practice. The Fund supports local or regional projects only when the work results in replication elsewhere. Applicants should be aware that the Fund rarely makes grants to organizations outside the United States.

DISSENT

Dissent granting underpins all of the Fund's other work. To make meaningful contributions to society, citizens must have the freedom to express their opinions and act on their convictions. The goals of our dissent category are:

- Protecting the right to dissent and hold divergent opinions.
- Preserving society's right to hold accountable all of its institutions and officials, both public and private.

ENVIRONMENT

The foundation's environmental funding aims to encourage biological diversity and to eliminate toxins at their source. While the potential extinction of wild species is now widely recognized as a problem, a corresponding crisis – the disappearance of domestic species – goes largely unnoticed. The tremendous plant and animal diversity that once existed is rapidly diminishing, and once lost, can never be re-created. Similarly, once polluted, our air, water and soil may never be completely restored. The goals of our environmental category are:

- Conserving the rich diversity of food crop and livestock germplasm.
- Preventing the irreversible alteration of the earth's genetic legacy.
- Reducing or eliminating the production of toxic materials.
- Assessing the total burden of toxins on the biosphere and acting to reduce that burden.

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GRANT APPLICATION PROCEDURES

The C.S. Fund administers the charitable giving of its sister foundation, the Warsh/Mott Legacy, which shares the funding goals and guidelines of the Fund. All proposals received are automatically considered by both foundations.

We prefer that requests for support be made by written proposal rather than by phone inquiry, personal meeting, or letter of intent. All proposals should include a budget and proof of federal tax-exempt status.

Of the many hundreds of grant requests we receive each year, only a few dozen receive funding. Since fundraising is resource consuming and labor intensive, we encourage grant seekers to send us materials prepared for other foundations. We are also happy to accept proposals using the National Network of Grantmakers' application form.

The C.S. Fund accepts proposals by fax, limited to a maximum of ten pages.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

All proposals will be acknowledged by mail. Once you have received a confirmation postcard, you are welcome to send additional material to complete your file. Please mark all such addenda with the six-digit proposal number shown on your confirmation postcard.

DEADLINES

The deadline for proposals to be reviewed at our spring board meeting is the first Monday in February.

The deadline for proposals to be reviewed at our fall board meeting is the first Monday in August.

Proposals received after those dates are automatically included in the next funding cycle.

QUALIFICATIONS

Since grants are available for both general support and specific project support, an organization may receive more than one grant within the same year. There is no limit to the number of years a worthy program can be eligible for support.

Grant requests will not be considered from organizations that have failed to honor reporting requirements or other conditions from a previous grant.

The C.S. Fund does not support endowments, capital campaigns, emergency requests, or film and video production. A 10 percent cap is placed on administrative expenses for grants made to universities.

C.S. Fund 1997 Grants List

Center for Democratic Renewal

\$25,000 in general support toward the organization's efforts to counter hate-group activity and bias-related violence.

Council for Responsible Genetics

\$35,000 in general support of the council's public education and monitoring programs in human genetics and commercial biotechnology.

DataCenter

\$30,000 as the first year of a two year grant in general support of the center's efforts to collect and disseminate information about world events, politics, and economics.

Fairness and Accuracy in Reporting

\$12,000 preliminary investigation for starting up The Fifth Estate, a media watchdog project.

Focus Project

\$25,000 for the Science and Environmental Health Network's conference aimed at incorporating the Precautionary Principle into environmental laws and regulations.

Food & Water, Inc.

\$20,000 outright plus \$10,000 in matching funds toward the Stop Irradiation Project, which educates the public and the food industry about the risks posed by the irradiation of food.

Foundation on Economic Trends

\$50,000 for the organization's research on and analysis of the environmental, ethical, and public policy implications of biotechnology.

Foundation on Economic Trends

\$37,500 in support of the foundation's effort to call attention to the ethical questions raised by the patenting of life forms.

Government Accountability Project

\$30,000 as the first year of a two year grant in general support of whistleblower protection projects in government and industry.

Institute for Agriculture & Trade Policy

\$40,000 toward the Intellectual Property Rights and Biodiversity Protection Project, which conducts research, analysis, and public education regarding the commodification of knowledge, culture, and nature.

\$10,000 for the Intellectual Property Rights Internship Program, which brings activists from other countries to the U.S.

Native Seeds/SEARCH

\$15,000 in general support of the organization's public education and preservation programs for plants and seeds native to the Southwest.

Okanagan Indian Educational Resources Society

\$40,000 as the first year of a two year grant in support of the En'owkin Center's Indigenous Information Campaign on Bioprospecting, educating native people about the Human Genome Diversity Project, an effort to collect blood, hair, and tissue samples from indigenous populations around the world.

Public Citizen Foundation, Inc.

\$30,000 in support of Global Trade Watch, which works to democratize international trade negotiations.

Rockefeller Family Fund

\$5,000 for the Environmental Grantmakers Association's 1998 Fall Retreat.

Rural Advancement Foundation International - USA

\$50,000 in support of the Biodiversity and Biotechnology Program, which does research and public education on policies and practices of germplasm conservation internationally.

Union of Concerned Scientists

\$25,000 for the Agriculture and Biotechnology Program, which examines the potential risks that genetically engineered plants pose to the environment.

Freestone Fund

\$500 disbursed in \$50 - \$100 increments in support of various projects in the C.S. Fund's local community. Recipients include the Council on Aging's Meals on Wheels program, which delivers food to homebound seniors in need; Face to Face, which provides a range of services to people living with AIDS; Food for Thought, which provides food for people living with AIDS; Occidental Area Health Center, which provides health care regardless of individuals' ability to pay; Pole Mountain Fire Lookout, providing fire detection and location services; Sonoma County Wildlife Rescue Center, which rescues sick or injured animals and rehabilitates them to return to the wild; Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Sonoma County which serves at-risk children from single parent families; the Sonoma County Public Library Foundation to expand library services and collections; and the Twin Hills Firefighters Association, an all-volunteer fire protection district.

Warsh/Mott Legacy 1997 Grants List

American Livestock Breeds Conservancy

\$15,000 in general support of research and public education on rare and endangered breeds of livestock.

American Public Information on the Environment

\$5,000 for environmental information services and outreach programs.

Antarctica Project

\$35,000 toward the project's policy analysis, scientific research, and public education on environmental protection of Antarctica.

Center for Constitutional Rights

\$30,000 in general support of the center's educational and litigation efforts that preserve and protect constitutional rights and \$5,000 in matching funds for technical improvements.

Center for Investigative Reporting

\$25,000 for the Militia Project, which investigates the radical Right in the United States and its links to mainstream conservative groups, politicians and financiers.

Coalition for Human Dignity

\$15,000 in general support of the organization's research and public education on hate groups and the activities of the far Right.

Committee for Nuclear Responsibility

\$5,000 in general support for publication of *Genetic Injury from Ionizing Radiation and Nuclear Pollution*.

Ecology Action

\$20,000 towards public education and outreach programs on bio-intensive, chemical-free, and sustainable agricultural practices.

Friends of the Earth

\$30,000 for their Trade and Environment Program advocating for environmental protection in global and regional trade agreements.

Fund for Constitutional Government

\$20,000 for the Electronic Privacy Information Center which conducts research on and analysis of privacy and use of the Internet.

Institute for Agriculture & Trade Policy

\$15,000 for the North American Indigenous Peoples Biodiversity Project which works to enable indigenous communities to respond to and participate fully in international policy making that affects them.

Institute for Energy & Environmental Research

\$30,000 in support of the Nuclear Material Dangers Project which does research and education on the growing plutonium stocks around the world and offers solutions aimed at preventing nuclear proliferation.

Institute for Washington's Future

\$4,720 toward the Washington Biotechnology Action Council's Technology and Public Policy Project, to research and educate on issues arising from biotechnology and life patenting.

\$16,800 toward the Washington Biotechnology Action Council's International Scholar Activists to research and educate on issues arising from biotechnology and life patenting.

International Media Project

\$10,000 for Making Contact, a globalization radio series, plus \$5,000 in matching general support funds for National Radio Project

National Coalition Against Misuse of Pesticides

\$20,000 in general support of the coalition's reporting on the harm of pesticides and the promotion of successful alternatives.

National Save the Family Farm Committee

\$20,000 in general support to promote food safety, environmentally sound farming practices, and economic security for family farmers and their communities.

Nevada Outdoor Recreation Association

\$15,000 in general support of the organization's programs on public land stewardship and government accountability.

Northwest Coalition Against Malicious Harassment

\$25,000 in general support of community organizing and public education about bias-related violence and hate-group activity in the region.

Northwest Environment Watch

\$15,000 in general support of the organization's research and education on the impacts of consumption and the connections between local and global environmental problems.

Ozone Action, Inc.

\$15,000 in general support of the organization's efforts to speed the phase out of ozone depleting chemicals and ensure compliance with the Montreal Protocols.

Pesticide Action Network North America

\$35,000 in general support of the network's efforts to educate the public about the dangers of toxic chemicals, the injustice of their use abroad, and the advantages of nontoxic alternatives.

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\$15,000 for the network's Methyl Bromide Campaign to educate the public about the dangers of methyl bromide, and advocate for the use of safe alternatives.

Political Research Associates

\$20,000 toward research, publication, and public education efforts to expose the activities of the far Right.

Rural Education Action Project

\$15,000 toward the Rural Vermont Food and Farm Biotechnology Project, which educates policy makers and the public about the potential effects of bovine growth hormone on human and animal health and on rural economies.

Seed Savers Exchange

\$25,000 in general support of the organization's efforts to preserve its heritage seed collection and make heirloom varieties available to the public.

Sierra Club Legal Defense Fund, Inc.

\$20,000 for the International Trade and Environment Campaign, which works to ensure the environmental protections are not compromised by international trade agreements and institutions.

Redwood Justice Fund

\$15,000 in support of a suit against the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Police Department of Oakland, California, concerning the bombing of environmental activist Judi Bari's car.

Research Foundation at the State University of New York

\$20,000 in support of research and education on the effects of dioxins on human health.

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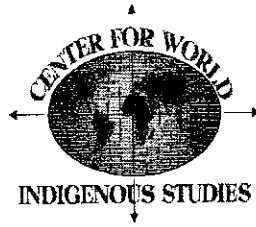
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NOTES/COMMENTS:

Roxanne ~
It was nice talking with you again. I remember how pleasant both you and Marty were to work with as we finished the Ownership of life while I was working at IATP. I am now at CWIS working as the Assistant Executive Director.

Here is the article I mentioned. Marty has an incredible background! Will you please pass the letter below and article on to him (even though he may have a copy).

Thanks for sending us CS Fund Information!
Take Care - Deanna



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Aug. 4, 1998

Dear Dr. Teitel:

What a surprise to read of 2 illustrious Union Graduate School candidates in the recent Union Networker. We have enclosed a copy of the articles, per the request of your office.

We are delighted to know about your work and the important work of the C.S. Fund. The work of CWIS and yours finds many points of intersection and we look forward to being in contact with you in the next several weeks.

Best Regards,

Dr. Leslie Korn Ph.D., M.P.H

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**International
Issues:**
*A Window on Our
World*



Martin Teitel

Turning Genes into Green: Do Biotech Corporate Giants Own a Piece of You?

Graduate College alumnus **Martin Teitel** keeps watch for rights violations in a brave new world.

For 20 years, Teitel traveled the globe to monitor and defend human rights in far-flung locations including Bangladesh, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Hong Kong, India, Japan, Laos, Nigeria, North and South

Vietnam, Paraguay, the Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, and Thailand.

These days, Teitel's focal concern can be concentrated inside a laboratory test tube. But, he insists, the human rights issues involved in genetic engineering and the patenting of plants and animals are a global concern of the same magnitude.

Teitel, who earned his 1992 Ph.D. in human rights and philosophy, served as executive director of the C.S. Fund from its inception in 1981 until this year, when he became the fund's senior fellow. The fund is a philanthropic organization of an heir of C.S. Mott, one of the founders of General Motors. Grants go to national or international programs that demonstrate impact in

two categories: the freedom to dissent and the protection of the environment. It's a perfect match, for these are Teitel's lifelong passions.

A Witness to Dark Days

From 1969-1975, Teitel worked with the American Friends Service Committee, a Philadelphia-based Quaker organization as Indochina representative, Laos field director, director of Asia programs, and director of the Overseas Refugee Program. His duties included negotiating and implementing relief programs in active war zones, election observing, and direct intervention. It was rewarding, dramatic, and sometimes dangerous work. And his experiences became the focus of his Union Institute dissertation, "Reweaving the Webs of Belief and Desire: Human Rights and Human Justice." In it, Teitel uses the short-story technique to recount his experiences with people around the world who suffered oppression and torture at the hands of "brutish regimes."

"I thought about how over two decades as a human rights observer and worker I had seen enough of human rights violations—and human rights activists—all over the world to know that I wanted to bring some systematic thought and study to bear on the ideas and impressions that



Photo by Zenobia Barlow



I had gained from those years," he says.

Although his direct involvement in international justice issues had become limited by the late '80s, during his Union Institute doctoral program, Teitel found himself a "scholar-in-action" amidst the excitement and violence of the 1989 elections in Santiago, Chile, when he served as a member of an international delegation of election observers.

"Probably very few Union Institute learners find themselves repeatedly tear gassed in pursuit of knowledge. It was an exciting, exhilarating, horrifying, and most stimulating experience," he says. "It should be a requirement for everyone who works for a foundation to spend a certain period of time every once in a while getting out from behind a desk and into a place where ideas are being challenged and forged."

Charting a New Course with Familiar Goals

As was the case for many activists when Cold War tensions between nations decreased, Teitel began to redirect his efforts. His main areas of focus now include the environment, preservation of biodiversity, and ethical issues involving global trade and patents.

"My work for many years has focused on the food supply, which is a human rights issue; each of us has to eat," explains the author of *Rain Forest in Your Kitchen: The Hidden Connection*

Between Extinction and Your Supermarket (Island Press, 1992).

For over a decade, vanishing breeds of livestock animals roamed freely at the C.S. Fund's

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headquarters in Freestone, California. The animals were part of worldwide efforts to preserve the diversity of animal species, despite the push by the agricultural industry to create patented superbreeds that supply high volumes of perfect product. For instance, Teitel points out that 95 percent of this nation's cows' milk comes from one breed of cows. If other strains of cattle die off due to disinterest or neglect, what happens if a virus wipes out that breed?

Although the livestock animal program has closed, Teitel's attention has shifted to another species being eyed by genetic engineering firms. "Patents have been filed on human genetic materials," Teitel says, "It's something the average public knows little of, and it raises fascinating and frightening policy and ethical questions."

Monitoring the Quest for Control

Did you know that your brain has 3,000 areas that are under patent?

Teitel's latest book, *The Ownership of Life: When Patents and Values Clash*, co-authored with Hope Shand (Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy, Minneapolis: 1997), is an attempt to shed light on the little-known race to patent plant, animal, and even human germ plasm.

He cites the most famous case in this controversial area, that of cancer patient John Moore. As part of his cancer treatment in 1976, Moore's UCLA physicians removed his spleen, which was secreting a substance that some researchers knew had the potential to boost the immune systems of certain cancer and AIDS patients. Although Moore had given consent to have his spleen removed, he was not told of the potential use for his discarded body tissue. The doctors cultured cells from Moore's spleen—"immortalized" the cell lineage, so to speak—and received a patent on the "Mo cell line" in 1984. When Moore found out, he sued for part of the profits derived from his body tissue. He lost. The California Supreme Court has upheld the lower court's decision that Moore had no rights on his own body parts. The case is being appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

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According to an article in *Feed* magazine, the European Parliament gave consideration in 1994 to a directive from the executive branch of that multi-national political entity that would have allowed the patenting of life forms, including human parts. The parliament rejected such patentability.

As he monitors the patent activities of biotechnical corporations, Teitel once again finds himself a global player in the human rights watch. "Indigenous people are the particular focus of companies that attempt to patent humans," he explains. "Human beings are remarkably similar genetically, but biological products generally require cellular material that is different from the rest. If you look at the human race in terms of a bell curve of genetic proper-

ties, those at either end of the curve, those who are biologically most different from those in the middle, are the indigenous people of the earth.

The issue of human patents is becoming a worldwide concern.

That is where the biochemical corporate giants do the most prospecting for fruitful—and marketable—human patents."

The C.S. Fund is supporting indigenous communities of Native Americans as well as populations around the world in their efforts to educate their communities about the practice of human patents. "There are

cultural, religious, and spiritual beliefs that are being ignored in these cases," says Teitel.

Even mainstream Americans who hear about human patents find the whole idea disturbing. "It's counter-intuitive," says Teitel. "The idea that a living creature could be placed under ownership like a toaster or other appliance is disturbing to many." And just as his doctoral work rep-

resented "an attempt to frame the ethical issues of human rights and justice by asking tough questions and suggesting a fresh philosophical model," Teitel

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is committed to that same approach on this new frontier.

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Rudolph Ryser

Ph.D. '96, international relations

- Chair, Center for World Indigenous Studies
- Former executive director of the National Congress of American Indians and member of Cowlitz Indian Tribe
- Extended 25 years' experience in Indian affairs to encompass indigenous peoples throughout the world, including the Pacific Islands, Central America, South Asia, and former Soviet states
- Currently in Mexico finalizing plans for opening the Center for World Indigenous Studies Learning Retreat and Traditional Medicine Clinic, Casa Xipe Totect, in Yelapa, southwest of Puerto Vallarta
- Author, *Fourth World Geopolitics: Coexistence and the New International Political Order*



"I have worked for many years on the problem of building a framework of political relations between nations (fourth world peoples) and states (first, third and second world peoples). The essential point of this effort is that states and the state system will be able to function peacefully if they maintain a constructive and consenting relationship with the world's nations. World conflicts are now and have forever been rather local affairs. They have only flared into large and uncontrollable killing machines when states with massive destructive capabilities enter into the fray. There are more than 6,000 indigenous nations in the world and 192 states. A balanced relationship between them is essential for a peaceful world."

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Glen Hutt B.S. is senior safety engineer for Lockheed Martin Missiles and Space at the East Windsor, New Jersey (Princeton) facility, where communication satellites for commercial and government programs are manufactured. Hutt designed and teaches a two-day systems safety course, covering product safety, safety engineering methods, and launch site safety.

Joanne Schuster Ph.D. was featured in the *Cincinnati Post* as a founder of the Wholistic Health Center at the Franciscan

puncture (vol. 24, no. 4, 1996). He also published "Neuromuscular Response Induced by Superficial Acupuncture" in

1995

David Back B.A. co-authored "Hazardous Waste (HW), Decontamination & Decommissioning (D&D), and Clean-Up Workers (CW) Exposure Assessment Feasibility Study at the Department of Energy's (DOE) Fernald Site," a study published through the U.S. Department of Commerce, Technology Administration, National Technical Information Service (NTIS).

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Learn More about Fourth World Studies

The Center for World Indigenous Studies, directed by Graduate College alumnus **Rudolph Ryser Ph.D. '96**, offers a certificate program and graduate degree (in cooperation with Lesley College), as well as single and cluster seminars for professional development, in fourth world studies and in traditional medicine. For more information, see the World Wide Web page: (<http://www.halcyon.com/FWDP/cwisinfo.htm>).

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