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EDUCATION:

B.A., 1965, Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota
M.A., 1970, Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma, Washington

EXPERIENCE:

4/79 to Present

President, SENSE, Inc. - a Washington, D.C. based firm specializing in information brokerage, resource development, and government operations research for clients doing business with the Federal government. A listing of corporate clients and associated tasks is available on request.

11/78-4/79

Grantsman/Administrator for the National Congress of American Indians involving conceptualization/writing of all grant applications and direct or oversight administration of projects such agencies/institutions as BIA/IHS/ONAP/LEAA/CSA/The American Lutheran Church.

12/10-15/78

Consultant for the Office of Indian Education, U.S.O.E. to prepare/present a paper on "Alternative Sources of Funding for Indian Education."

5/78-10/78

Assistant Director - American Indian Management Consortium (AIMC) comprised of the National Congress of American Indians, National Tribal Chairmen's Association, American Management Association of New York. Responsible for grant administration and tribally-oriented management training design for 24 Indian Tribes. AIMC policy council disagreements on appropriate design forced the AIMC project to terminate on 10/78. Due to time lapse for policy decision, extensive grant work completed on behalf of NCAI, including:

- Bureau of Indian Affairs contract for NCAI mid-year Conference
- NCAI 1978 National Convention funding secured from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Indian Health Service, HEW Administration for Native Americans, Economic Development Administration
- Community Services Administration Planning Grant for a Human Relations Communication Program on Indian Affairs
- NCAI BIA Budget Review Committee contract.

9/77-5/78

CEDaR (Council for Educational Development and Research) Government Relations (one-half time). Part-time consultant to the National Congress of American Indians to develop 100 HEW program descriptions. Negotiated with American Management Associations on behalf of NCAI the operational agreement and helped develop grant application for \$1.45 million Department of Labor grant to provide management training to American Indian Tribes.

2/75-5/78

Council for Educational Development and Research (CEDaR) - As Senior Associate for government relations, explored federal programs in all agencies regarding interests in educational research and development; editor of weekly CEDaR Bulletin describing government actions and trends in the educational r&d field for the regional educational research laboratories and university-based research and development centers; coordinated 3 "Educational R&D Mini-Conferences" between member institutions and agency representatives; secured funding and coordinated implementation for two national conferences: "School Violence-Building an R&D Agenda" and "Education Confronts the Energy Dilemma."

5/77

Consultant - Quinault Indian Tribe
Develop with tribal staff the FY78 Indian Educational applications for Title IV, Parts B&C Grants.

1/77-2/77

Consultant - Metlakatla Indian Community
Explored optional strategies and funding sources for development of alternative renewable energy resources for Annette Island, Alaska.

10/74-1/75

Stevens, Thompson & Runyan, Inc.
Project manager for the development of the Suquamish Indian Tribal Comprehensive Plan. Initial development coordination for Nisqually Indian Tribe economic development plans.

9/74

Tribal Services Association, Everett, Washington
Consultant
Developed and supervised the information gathering mechanism and wrote CETA grants for two Indian tribal consortiums involving 10 tribes. Developed needs assessment format and information gathering mechanism for TSA to utilize with 53 tribes in a five state area. Wrote TSA grant refunding request and a Northwest Indian Training and Technical Assistance Grant.

2/74-8/74

Quinault Indian Tribe, Taholah, Washington
Director, Grants/Contracts Division
Responsible for tribal administrative staff, administration of 53 grants and contracts from Federal, state and private sources, as well as operational responsibility for tribal furniture industry, construction company, education and social services staff and programs, Queets Village community development.

10/71-1/74

Quinault Indian Tribe, Taholah, Washington
Executive Director, Quinault Tribal Community Action Agency
Administratively and operationally responsible for staff, programs, grantsmanship and grants administration for health, adult education, Head Start, alcoholism, Youth Opportunity Programs, NYC-IS/OS, mainstream, freshwater penne salmon rearing, artificial spawning channels, arts and creations furniture industry, MDTA classes, social services,

and advisor to local HUD housing authority. Director of all education efforts for Quinault Tribe from 10/71-3/72, including establishment of Quinault Scholarship Selection Committee with IRS tax exempt status. Counselor/coordinator for Quinault Indian students in North Beach High School under Johnson-O'Malley Indian education from 9/70-9/71. Director of Camp Chitwhin, the Quinault summer camp for youth utilizing the language experience approach to reading for summers 1969 and 1970.

PUBLICATIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS

American Friend Service Committee (Northwest/Washington, D.C.)
Secretary 73-74 Region and Ancillary Manpower Planning Board
1971 Quinault Indian Overall Economic Development Plan
ERIC Clearinghouse "Camp Chitwin - Language/Experience Approach
to Reading"
Co-Editor, Washington State Johnson-O'Malley Parent Committee Manual

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Dear Joe:

Enclosed, please find a copy of George Manuel's report on the situation of "Guatemalan Indian Refugees" now located in the Mexican States of Yucatan, Chiapas, Tabasco and Oaxaca. By George's estimate there are now between 200,000 and 300,000 Indian refugees from Guatemala living in camps and Indian villages without the benefit of aid and assistance from the Mexican Government or the United Nations Refugee Program. Under the conditions of the 1980 NCAI "International Plan of Action" and the 1982 NCAI Resolution on the "Indian Crisis in Central America" we are obliged to extend support and assistance to the "Guatemalan Indian Refugees" in a form consistent with our capabilities. Under the present circumstances NCAI appears to be both financially and politically immobilized. In my December 6th correspondence to Joe DeLaCruz and Ralph Eluska I said: "While we must recognize that our own peoples are suffering under the greatest distress we have known for decades, and we must work harder with practically no resources to help our peoples, we must make a direct effort to help our brothers and sisters who have an even greater need than our own." I further pointed out that the food, housing and medical needs of Indian Refugees in Mexico is estimated to cost in excess of \$18. million dollars (U.S.) per month. Since December 6th the Mexican peso has been devalued so that at the new rate of 90 pesos to one dollar the monthly financial need is now about \$14. million dollars (US) per month.

In my correspondence I indicated that despite NCAI's financial and political problems I would be taking independent personal initiatives to help George organize aid and assistance for Indian Refugees in Mexico. Two initiatives are underway at the present moment; a fund raising campaign in North America aimed at collecting \$500,000 (Can) in an effort to secure one-to-two matching funds from the Canadian International Development Agency. This will raise about \$2. million Canadian dollars to provide food and medicines at the maximum value of 1.462 million pesos, or about 4 percent of the total need. The second initiative is aimed at raising \$10,000 (US) to pay for travel and expenses for ten or twelve Indian Refugees in January, February and March. This effort will be aimed at conducting a North American Tour to promote support for Indian Refugees in Mexico. I am attempting to solicit U.S. tribal support through telephone calls and letters.

Perhaps this situation would be of interest to the Lutheran World Relief program, World Missions and Mr. Phillip Anderson. While I am aware that refugee needs in Thailand, the Sudan, Lebanon and Pakistan are sizable, at least refugees located in these areas have

the benefit of international attention and support. Indian Refugees in Southern Mexico are not officially recognized by any nation-state as even existing. Indigenous populations seem to be the only peoples in the world who are officially aware of the situation.

I supply you with the above overview for your information. The extent to which you want to share George's report with NTCA or anyone else is up to you.

Thank you for your continuing interest in global indigenous issues. As of today, the "World Council of Churches proposal" is still being considered by the Vancouver Planning Council. Marilyn Bode tells me that she will arrange for a letter from the local Lutheran Bishop to Preus and Wee early next week. She apparently waited to get more information from me before sending the letter, even though I was unaware of her need. Gene Crawford will be in this neck-of-the-woods next week. Marilyn wants me to talk with him regarding our proposal. I will mention this to Joe D. Until we talk again, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

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January 24, 1983

Dear Joe:

This letter is a formal notification to you and the National Congress of American Indians that you, Joe Tallakson, President of Sense Inc. are authorized by me to draw from the moneys to be paid me by the NCAI an amount equal to the sum of funds you are sending me in lieu of an immediate NCAI payment to me. NCAI is authorized by me to directly pay you from the money it owes me-an amount equal to the sum you have (on January 25, 1985) sent to me by way of bank transferr.

By virtue of this process, you, Joe Tallakson will have transferred up to \$600 from your account and bank to my bank, Rainier - Edmonds Branch and account on January 25, 1983. NCAI will (in accordance with this authorization) pay you, (Joe Tallakson) \$600 plus the cost of bank transferr directly and deduct this amount from the moneys NCAI will pay to me.

By my signature on this letter both NCAI and Joe Tallakson are hereby authorized to carry out this transaction. NCAI will continue to be obligated to me for the amount last billed (25 October, 1982) in the amount of \$2,366.93 minus the \$600 plus transferr charges paid directly to Joe Tallakson, President of Sense Inc.

*\$600 received
by way of S. Tallakson
date: 1/26*

Sincerely,

Rudolph C. Ryser
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