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I am the owner and manager of a sheep and cattle ranch and an expert in livestock production, livestock marketing, and the economic development of pastoral areas with considerable experience in the Horn of Africa and the Middle East. I bring to rural economic development both the professional experience stemming from my MS in Animal Science and the practical experience derived from 40 years of raising and marketing livestock. My experiences have been varied covering economic and policy issues in livestock production and marketing; abattoirs; hides and skins; and banana exporting; privatization of para-statals; and direct work with refugees; smallholder irrigated agriculture; and pastoral peoples. Types of assignments include development policy/planning, rapid appraisal/ baseline assessments, project evaluation, project proposals/design, and contract management. I am also active in regional and community issues in the United States. Currently I am involved in a leadership capacity in a national campaign by livestock producers to restore competitive markets to the cattle and sheep industry and recently I was appointed to the US Secretary of Agriculture's Advisory Committee on Animal Health. I am currently a member of the Grass Range Volunteer Emergency Medical Service. Languages include French (excellent), Somali (fair), and Italian (fair).

Education:

- Masters of Science in Animal Science from Montana State University (1975). Area of concentration - ruminant nutrition. Thesis topic was the evaluation of isogenic starch varieties of barley in feeding ruminants.
- Bachelor of Arts from Rocky Mountain College (1968). Majors in biology and French, minor in chemistry. Studied at the University of Paris (Sorbonne) Cours de la civilisation francaise during my junior year.

Publications: "Nutrition Reports International", Vol. 21, No. 4, April 1980. "Barley Newsletter", vol. 19, March 1976. "Proceedings of the 27th Annual Montana Nutrition Conference", Feb. 1976. The Case for the Development of the Private Livestock Infrastructure for Somalia, Ronco Consulting Corporation, 1987. Somalia, A Study of the Profitability of Somali Exports, Deloitte Haskins and Sells, and ABT Associates, 1989. Somali Livestock Export Market Study: Joint EC-FAO Report, European Commission - Somalia Unit and UN Food and Agriculture Organization, 1995. The Improvement of Livestock Export Marketing in the North East Region of Somalia - Report and Recommendations, European Commission - Somalia Unit, 1996. Support to Livestock Exports - Northern Somalia and the Sub-Region: End of Mission Technical Report: Livestock Marketing and Range Management: FAO, Rome Italy, September, 2001. Integrated Livestock Development: Creating Sustainable Livelihoods in the Interior of Oman; PDO, Muscat Oman, 2002; Somalia – Towards A Livestock Sector Strategy – Final Report 04/001 IC-SOM, FAO/World Bank/European Union, Rome, April 2004. Sugar for the Tea: Assistance and the State of Pastoralism in the Horn, Journal of the Anglo-Somali Society, # 48 -2010. Looking Beyond Drought in Djibouti: Opportunities for Tackling Vulnerability in Pastoral Communities, Djibouti Red Crescent and British Red Cross, June 2011. We Do Not Sell The Grass: Pastoralism in Transition, Journal of the Anglo-Somali Society, #57 Spring, 2015.

Languages: French (excellent), Italian (fair), Somali (fair)

Personal Data: Birth date: May 2, 1946; height: 6 ft; weight: 215 lb.

Citizenship: USA, France

- 1/05 –10/08: Regional Livestock Trade and Pastoral Specialist for USAID/East Africa on personal service contract. Cognizant Technical Officer (CTO) for a regional livestock trade project implemented by AU-IBAR and for the Djibouti Component of the Regional Agricultural Trade Expansion Support (RATES) Project. Also designer and Activity Manager for the Regional Enhanced Livelihood in Pastoral Areas (RELPA) program – an integrated regional project for economic development in the Horn of Africa. This project was implemented through the Common Market for East and Central Africa (COMESA). During this assignment I completed contract management training. Other duties for USAID included Acting USAID Representative for Djibouti. Duty station Djibouti and Kenya.

- 6/03 – 10/03: Livestock Marketing and Trade Specialist for FAO, contracted as part of a 5 person team on a consultancy to guide the development of a livestock sector strategy for Somalia. This study was funded and developed in close cooperation with the World Bank, the European Commission, and UNDP. Report entitled Somalia – Towards A Livestock Sector Strategy – Final Report 04/001 IC-SOM, FAO/World Bank/European Union, Rome, April 2004.

- 6/02 – 10/02: Livestock Marketing and Production Specialist, contracted as part of a two person team by the Petroleum Development of Oman Corporation (PDO) Social Investment Department to make an economic survey of the Bedouin living in the desert areas of Oman and evaluate programs conducted by PDO to benefit these Bedouin peoples. Recommendations stemming from this survey included measures to enhance goat and camel production and marketing; and methods for PDO to dispose of "produced water" in saline agricultural systems that would provide the Bedouin with fodder and pasture. Mott MacDonald ltd. provided administrative and support for this contract.

- 6/01 - 8/01: Livestock Marketing and Range Management Specialist for a joint Government of Italy/FAO Formulation Mission to the Horn of Africa. The mission was sent in response to a ban on livestock imports from Africa by the countries of the Arabian Peninsula. The mission evaluated the current state of veterinary inspection and recommended a project to improve the veterinary inspection and certification process (named EXCELEX) in the countries of the Horn of Africa. My role was to provide recommendations and project profiles for adjunct activities to improve the marketing system, infrastructure, livestock management, and range management. The mission findings and recommendations are outlined in an End of Mission Technical Report to FAO, Rome, Sept. 2001.

- 6/96 - 9/96: Livestock Marketing Consultant for the European Commission - Somalia Unit. Contracted to negotiate a consensus between the Administration of the North East Region of Somalia, livestock traders, veterinarians, and the Bossaso Port Authority on initiatives to improve livestock exports while maintaining a policy of privatization of veterinary services. For this mission I visited the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to investigate the management and marketing of sheep and goats of Somali origin. The contract called for publication of final report which is entitled: Improvement of Livestock Export Marketing in the North East Region of Somalia - Report and Recommendations.

- 11/94 - 2/95: Livestock Marketing and Economic Expert employed to complete a rapid appraisal and baseline study of livestock exports from Somalia, evaluate current practices, and make recommendations for interventions to support the Somali livestock export sector. This consultancy was a joint project between the Food and Agriculture Organization and the Commission of European Communities to support agricultural policy and planning for Somalia. It involved a study of the demand side for Somali livestock and meat in Saudi Arabia, Yemen, and Kenya and a

1/83 - 1/85: Chair of the Montana Chapter of the National Farmers Organization's (NFO) Livestock Marketing Committee.

References:

- Dr. David Ward. Animal Health Services, FAO, Rome, Italy retired droony9@yahoo.com ; 1 775 247 3858.
- Dr. Karl Lohr, European Commission- Somalia Unit, Nairobi, Kenya, retired kfloehr@hotmail.com 0034 972 15 80 60
- Dr Walter Knausenberger, Sr Environmental Specialist; Africa Bureau USAID/ Washington DC wijknausen@gmail.com, mobile 1 240 423 8557, work 1 301 805 0958.
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Objective

To utilize my professional knowledge; learn and gain new knowledge from exciting, challenging and diverse experiences.

Experience

1994-Present Palmer/Shultz Ranch Raynesford, MT

Owner/Operator of Palmer and Shultz Cattle Ranch

- Manage the day to day operation of a working cattle ranch which includes; setting budgets, obtaining operating loans, performing herd health management, maintaining healthy grazing lands, rotating hay crops for optimum hay production, building and maintaining fence, marketing and selling hay and calf crops.

2014–Present American Red Cross Great Falls, MT

Immunohematology Reference Laboratory Supervisor

- Supervise workflow and staff in the IRL department.
- Attend management meetings.
- Ensure all regulations, procedures and compliance issues are strictly adhered to in a highly regulated environment.
- Ensure patient workups are performed, results and transfusion recommendations are given to hospital customers in a timely manner and ensure adequate availability of specialty blood products to customers.
- Ensure quality control, preventive maintenance, validations and/or qualifications are performed timely on equipment and trouble shoot as necessary.
- Train staff and perform competency assessment at least yearly.

08/2012-05/2013 American Red Cross National HQ

First Instructor for R2-QC path/ Supervisor

- Traveled across USA training ARC staff in the QC lab on the company's new computer system used to create, identify and track the manufacture of blood products.
- Continued to perform all supervisory duties as described below during this time.

2006–May 2013 American Red Cross Great Falls, MT

Laboratory Supervisor

- Supervise workflow and staff in the Quality Control, Components, and Quarantine & Labeling Departments; attend management meetings.
- Ensure all regulations, procedures and compliance issues are strictly adhered to in a good manufacturing practices environment.
- Ensure manufacture of quality products and adequate availability of blood products to customers.
- Ensure quality control, preventive maintenance, validations and/or qualifications are performed timely on equipment and trouble shoot as necessary.
- Train staff and perform competency assessment at least yearly.
- Continued working in IRL and being on On-Call rotations until 2011.

1992-2006 American Red Cross Great Falls, MT

Reference Lab Medical Technologist

- Performed routine and complex blood bank procedures for donor blood, hospital patient samples and proficiency surveys.
- Worked in the Quality Control, Components, and Quarantine & Labeling Departments.
- Ensured all regulations, procedures and compliance issues are strictly adhered to in a good manufacturing practices environment.
- Ensured manufacture of quality products and adequate availability of blood products to customers.
- Ensured quality control, preventive maintenance, validations and/or qualifications are performed timely on equipment and trouble shoot as necessary.
- Train staff and perform competency assessment at least yearly.

1991–1992 West Park Hospital Cody, WY

Medical Technologist; Evening Shift

- Performed phlebotomies to collect specimens; processed and analyzed specimens in Chemistry, Hematology, Coagulation, Urinalysis, Blood Gases, Blood Bank, and basic Microbiology; maintained all equipment.

1989-1991 Eastern Maine Medical Center Bangor, ME

Medical Technologist II; Evening Shift

- Performed phlebotomies to collect specimens; processed and analyzed specimens in Chemistry, Hematology, Coagulation, Urinalysis, Blood Gases, Blood Bank, and basic Microbiology; maintained all equipment.
- Performed special duties which included; relief supervisor duties, trained new techs on bench, actively worked on committees.

1988-1989 St. Luke's Hospital Denver, CO

Denver Presbyterian Hospital

Laboratory Technician

- Prepared specimens for testing in Chemistry and Hematology.
- Worked while going to Medical Technology School.

Education

1988-1989 Denver Presbyterian/St. Luke's School of Medical Technology — Denver, CO

- Received Medical Technologist Certificate.
- Passed ASCP and NCA BOR Exams.

1983-1988 University of Montana — Missoula, MT

- Bachelor of Science in Microbiology
- Minor in Botany

Awards/Leadership Activities

- Attended many supervisory/leadership seminars and development workshops during my tenure as ARC Manufacturing and IRL Supervisor.
- 2011 received Employee Excellence Award based on leadership abilities and work ethic.
- 2010-2011 accepted into prestigious "Star Trek Leadership Program" with ARC.
- 2005-2012 served on State Board for Clinical Laboratory Science Practitioners.
- 2006-2009 served on Pastor/Parish Relations Committee for Montclair United Methodist Church.
- 2009 attended Horizons Program for community activism and community development.
- 1998-2007 served as Trustee on Raynesford Public School Board.