

Carl Johan Thorwald Bergquist

EXPERIENCE

Drug Policy Forum of Hawai'i

Executive Director, 2015-present

- Manage and run a small non-profit, including budgeting and grant applications/reporting.
- Advocate for changes to Hawaii's state drug policies.
- Liaise with government officials regarding implementation.
- Coordinate with partner organizations for campaigns and actions.
- Publish newsletter and educational materials for the community.

Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles (CHIRLA)

Policy Consultant, based in Austin, TX and Honolulu, HI, 2013 – 2015

- Advocated vis-à-vis elected officials in Washington, DC on comprehensive immigration reform, (including Senate bill S744) and immigration enforcement.
- Provided technical assistance to Members of Congress, including drafting amendments to legislation.
- Liaised with allies ranging from labor unions to religious organizations on comprehensive immigration reform and immigration enforcement.
- Represented CHIRLA in the policy group of the Fair Immigration Reform Movement (FIRM).
- Consulted on Los Angeles and California efforts against immigration enforcement.
- Communicated with local and national media sources on immigration enforcement policy.
- Prepared policy briefs and policy bulletin for CHIRLA website and circulation among allies.
- Disseminated CHIRLA's position via letters to the editor, op-eds and social media.

Policy Advocate, Los Angeles, CA, 2009 – 2012

- Established and maintained working relationships with government officials and law enforcement agencies at local, state, and national levels to advocate for immigrant rights.
- Strengthened existing, and created new, CHIRLA alliances with legal and other advocacy organizations.
- Prepared reports, letters to the editor and media opinion pieces on immigration enforcement.
- Interpreted local policies on immigration enforcement for internal and coalition meetings.
- Communicated with local and national media sources as CHIRLA spokesperson.
- Instructed workshops on legal rights and local politics for immigrant communities and the public.
- Counseled community members on immigration-related matters, including walk-in inquiries.
- Supervised public policy interns and coordinated internship program.

Wally's Wine and Spirits, Beer Buyer and Salesperson

Los Angeles, CA, 2008-2009

- Increased annual beer sales by 10% at Zagat's #1 rated LA Wine, Beer and Spirits store.
- Led beer tastings, beer classes and other beer-related events.
- Managed beverage purchases for large organizational events, e.g., June 2009, 17th International "C. elegans Meeting" of the Genetics Society of America at UCLA: 1,500 registrants, \$6,000 dollar budget.

Center for the National Interest, Research Consultant/Intern, Immigration and National Security Program
Washington DC, 2006-2008

- Wrote and edited book chapters on Muslim immigrants in Europe, including a historical overview of the guest worker era in Robert Leiken, *Europe's Angry Muslims*, Oxford University Press, 2012.
- Compared and summarized literature on immigration and settlement in Europe and North America.
- Analyzed current events in the Netherlands, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Sweden and the U.K.

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WatchingAmerica.Com, Freelance Translator and Assistant Editor

Based in Berlin, for organization in New York, NY, 2005-2007

- Selected immigration articles for translation based on extensive knowledge of foreign language media.
- Translated foreign news media from Swedish and German into English.

European Migration Center, Project Manager at the Berlin Institute for Comparative Social Research Berlin, Germany, 2004-2005

- Managed multi-partnered, EU-funded research project on language minorities in Europe entitled "The role of language mobilization processes of ethnic and immigrant minorities" (Project Acronym – *LanMob*)
- Wrote status reports for submission to project partners and donors.
- Conducted interviews with key institutional actors as part of *LanMob* research.
- Prepared internal status report on recent linguistic legislation within European governmental agencies.
- Acted as point of contact between donor agencies, fieldworkers and research organizations on *LanMob*.
- Served as panel discussant at comparative E.U.-funded conference on migration policies.

Institute for War and Peace Reporting, Editor and Program Officer

London, U.K., 1997-98

- Drafted technical grant proposals and wrote final reports for projects focused on refugee flows.
- Edited weekly electronic newsletter.
- Researched political processes in the former republics of Yugoslavia, South Africa, and Cambodia.

EDUCATION

██████████ J.D. Candidate, William S. Richardson School of Law, University of Hawai'i at Manoa, Part-time evening program, ██████████

██████████ M.A., Ethnic and Migration Studies
University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, Netherlands
Thesis: "*The Liberal State's Immigration Admissions Policy and its Influence on Immigrant Integration: Case Studies of the Welfare States New Zealand and Sweden*"
Classes taken at Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, BC, Canada in 2001-02 as preparation

██████████ B.S., Foreign Service
Georgetown University, Washington, DC
Semesters/Courses abroad: University of Gothenburg, Sweden; Tel Aviv University, Israel; University of Helsinki, Finland

MISCELLANEOUS, AWARDS AND SKILLS

1995-96 Journalism Program, Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden

Final Project: The Situation of Roma Minorities in Scandinavia.

1989-90 Swedish Military Service, Mechanized Rifle Squadron Leader; Visby, Gotland, Sweden

Awards: Numerous scholarships to attend conferences as a CHIRLA representative

Languages: Native Swedish and English; Fluent German, Advanced French, Basic Spanish

OS/Software: Windows, MS Word, Excel, Access, Outlook, Power Point, SPSS, HTML, Twitter/other social media