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**EDUCATION**

B.A. University of California, Santa Barbara. Film Studies  
M.A. University of California, Santa Barbara. Political Science

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

1997-present	Executive Director, University of Southern California Sea Grant Program, USC Wrigley Institute for Environmental Studies
1993-1997	Assistant Director for Outreach, University of Southern California Sea Grant Program, USC Wrigley Institute for Environmental Studies
1988-1993	Communications Manager, University of Southern California Sea Grant Program
1983-1986	Teaching Associate, Environmental Studies Program, University of California, Santa Barbara

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Past Chair, Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council, 2017-present,  
Research Seat and Chair, Research Activities Panel, 2020-2023 (Vice Chair, 2008-2017,  
Public-at-Large Seat 2007-2020), Chair, Marine Shipping Working Group 2014-16

Co-Chair, California Marine Protected Area Regional Collaborative, 2013-2020

Technical Advisory Council, Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission, 2017-present

National Sea Grant Law Center Advisory Committee, 2016-present

Vice President, Board of Directors, California Shore and Beach Preservation  
Association, 2001-present

South Coastal Regional Stakeholder Group, California Marine Life Protection Act  
Initiative, September 2008-December 2009

Member, California Sediment Management Working Group, 2010-present

Leadership Council, LA Collaborative for Climate Action and Sustainability, 2015-present

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