

Resume

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Education

Ph.D., University of Notre Dame, Department of Government and International Studies (1989).
M.A., University of Notre Dame, Department of Government and International Studies (1984).
B.A., Indiana University, Department of Political Science (1982).

Employment

Professor of Political Science, Western Michigan University, 1988-present.
Visiting Fulbright Scholar, Department of Political Science, Saratov State University, Saratov, Russia, 2009-2010.
Visiting Associate, Centre for African Studies, University of Cape Town, South Africa, 2002-2003 and 2004.

Keywords

Rural development, land reform, land tenure reform, family/peasant farming, poverty alleviation, community development, municipal services, NGO advocacy, democratization, governance, local government reform, social services, civil society, Russia, Former Soviet States, Central Asia, Eastern Europe, Southern Africa.

Key Qualifications

Dr. Butterfield is an experienced consultant and researcher in a variety of areas in transition countries. Starting in the mid-1980s he catalogued through meticulous field research impediments to rural administration reform at the local level in the Soviet Union at a time when few researchers had access to such regions and data. Subsequent research on social movements, social change and the institutions of civil society led to numerous publications and field reports in the 1990s. As consultant to a number of joint Russian-American projects, Dr. Butterfield worked on field research, training manual development and institutional development efforts in the areas of land reform, farm and agribusiness reorganization and privatization, rural development, and municipal social service delivery at the local level in Russia, resulting in publications on land and agricultural reform. He is also an experienced consultant in proposal research, preparation and writing for both AID and ADB projects. More recently Dr. Butterfield has extended project and research efforts both geographically (Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, South Africa) and sectorally (rural development and community development). His most recent research venture is in the burgeoning theoretical and practical field of institutional design, both at macro and micro levels, and its relationship with democracy and democratization. During the 2002-2003 academic year he was posted at the University of Cape Town where he conducted research on social policy (land reform, communal property associations, rural development, housing and community development, municipal services), and NGO advocacy strategies. More research in South Africa focused on municipal-community partnerships for services and economic development and on local social mobilization in rural areas for land reform and post-settlement economic development. His work in Russia and in Southern Africa emphasizes civic participation in poverty alleviation and local governance with attention to communal and cultural factors. During a Fulbright grant in 2009-2010, he researched small-business associations in Russia, including their advocacy strategies and relationships with local and regional government agencies. During the same period he also delivered a series of lectures in Russia, Tajikistan and Slovakia. Fluent in Russian.

Partial Experience Record

September 2009-April 2010: Field research in Saratov, Russia on small business development and advocacy.
Research supported by a Fulbright Grant.

March 2008: consultant on farm organization and land markets in Russia for private sector investment house (company name withheld; commissioned by Gerson Lehman Group).

September 2006: consultant on recent advances in poverty alleviation for the Clinton Global Initiative annual summit (commissioned by Gerson Lehman Group).

September 2002-June 2003, July-Aug 2004, June-July 2005: Field research in South Africa on land reform, communal property associations, tenure reform, sustainable livelihoods, and rural and community development.

2000-2004: Administrative responsibility at WMU for international partnerships with higher education institutions around the world.

December 1998: Presenter in day-long conference at USAID on land reform efforts, comparing AID experience in NIS and Africa.

July 1997: Consultant, Proposal Research and Writing and Local Recruitment, Asian Development Bank RFP for Agricultural Assessment Project in Uzbekistan. Contracted with Pragma International. Based in Tashkent, researched aspects of proposal components for complex agricultural assessment project including crops and horticulture, animal husbandry, water management, rural finance, policy reform, social and community development, farm management and privatization, and decollectivization. Deliverables: Completed proposal, contract agreements with Uzbek technical specialists.

April-May 1996: Consultant to USAID Market-Oriented Farm Support Activities Project in Vologda, Russia. Specialist in Social Service Delivery Reform for Chemonics International. Conducted needs assessment field surveys and planned implementation of 20-month social service delivery and finance reform project component in two districts. Deliverables: Needs assessment report and portions of training program plan for local level service providers.

February-March 1995: Consultant on Proposal Writing Effort, Chemonics International. Conducted field research and early recruiting for Market Oriented Farm Support Activities project in four provinces (proposed) in Russia. Co-wrote proposal. Awarded at \$5 million. Deliverables: Sections of the proposal on agribusiness support (co-authored), social services, and oblast profiles -- including partnering organizations and preliminary plans of action in each.

January-February 1995: USAID Farm Reorganization and Privatization Consultant. Chemonics International, Moscow, Russia. Advised on setting up regional offices, recruiting farms for decollectivization and on project management. Worked with advisors on farm management, legal assistance, social sector reform, and credit reform. Deliverables: Assessments of project components and field team progress.

October-November 1994: USAID Farm Reorganization and Privatization Consultant, Chemonics International, Moscow, Russia. Advisor for Farm Reorganization Planning and Initiation. Led Moscow core group in planning and initiating six-month USAID project to decollectivize 20 farms in four provinces and to develop program of training to assist farms in privatization and decollectivization. Arranged subcontractor support from Russian institutions, recruited short- and long-term Russian specialists and office staff, supervised curriculum planning for training program, researched site selection for pilot farms to undergo privatization and decollectivization and conducted protocol meetings with regional leaders to garner support for project. Deliverables: Project implementation plan, subcontractor contractual arrangements, curriculum training program (co-authored).

July 1994: USAID Consultant, Chemonics International, Moscow, Russia. Served as co-designer and analyst for USAID project on farm viability. Supervised field research. Deliverables: Final report.

April-July 1994: USAID Consultant and Team Leader, Chemonics International, Moscow, Russia. Served as Team Leader for USAID-funded farm reorganization and privatization project. Led field research in addressing privatization issues such as new forms of organization and management, allocation of land and physical assets, establishment of individual farming, development of local government and provision of social services. Deliverables: Final report (coauthored -- resulted in \$4 million follow-up project).

Publications and Papers (selection relevant to consulting work; a longer list can be provided on request)

Projects in process: "Social mobilization among the poor for poverty alleviation", "Municipality-community partnerships as a model of community stake-holding in poverty alleviation," "Small business advocacy in provincial Russia," and "Post-conflict civil society development in Sierra Leone."

Presentation, "The Challenges of Transition," the Aga Khan Humanities Project, University of Central Asia, Dushanbe, Tajikistan, February 4, 2010.

Presentation, "Foreign Policy Initiatives of the Obama Presidency," Tajik Academy of Sciences, Dushanbe, Tajikistan, February 2, 2010.

Presentation, "Micro-Level Approaches to Poverty Alleviation in the Developing World," Midwest Institute for International/Intercultural Education, August 5, 2009.

Paper, "Russia's Costly Decentralization," Central European Regional Studies Conference, Košice, Slovakia, October 8, 2009.

Paper, "Community Development for Poverty Alleviation in South Africa," World Civic Forum, Seoul, South Korea, May 6, 2009.

Paper, "Social Mobilization and Rights in Rural South Africa: RMT meets RBA," African Studies Conference, San Francisco, November 16, 2006.

Moataz A. Fattah and Jim Butterfield, "Muslim Cultural Entrepreneurs and the Democracy Debate," *Middle Eastern Critique* 15:1 (Spring 2006), 49-78.

Paper, "Municipal-Community Partnerships for Services and Livelihoods in South Africa: Community Based Alternatives to PPPs," The Association of Third World Studies, Santo Domingo, November 22, 2005.

"South African Democracy and Local Participation," in Ismail Davids (ed), *Voices From Below*. Cape Town: Foundation for Contemporary Research, 2005.

"Civil Society and the State: Setting the Public Agenda in South Africa." Paper presented to the Centre for African Studies, University of Cape Town, May 7, 2003.

Chapter, "Agricultural Sectoral Reform and Rural Development in Uzbekistan," in Kurt Engelmann (ed.), *Central Asia between Russia and the Middle East: Land Reform, Environmental Constraints, and Rural Development*. (University of Washington Press, 2000).

Paper, "NGO Involvement in Land Reform Implementation: A Comparison of Russia and South Africa,"

Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 28, 2000.

Article, "The New Uzbek Land Code: Reform or Reversal?" *The Cyber-Caravan*, Johns Hopkins Central Asian-Caucasus Institute, December 18, 1998 [<http://www.sais-jhu.edu/CASA/cybercaravan/01/04.htm>]

Paper, "Agricultural Sectoral Assessment and Rural Development in Uzbekistan," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Boca Raton, FL, September 24, 1998.

Article, "Peasant Farming in Russia," with Mikhail Kuznetsov and Sergei Sazonov, *Journal of Peasant Studies* 23:4 (July 1996), 79-105.

Paper, "Enterprise Restructuring in Russian Agriculture," Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Ad-Hoc Group of Experts Conference, Paris, October 4, 1995.

Presentation, "State Intervention in the U.S. Agricultural Sector," Michurinsk Agricultural Academy, Michurinsk, Tambov Province, Russia, May 15, 1994.

Article, "Civil Society in Reforming Communist Regimes: The Logic of Emergence," with Marcia Weigle, *Comparative Politics*, October 1992, 1-23.

Book, *Perestroika from Below: Social Movements in the Soviet Union*, co-edited with Judith Sedaitis (Boulder, CO: Westview Press, 1991).

Article, "Devolution in Decision-making and Organizational Change in Soviet Agriculture," in *Comparative Economic Studies*, Spring 1990, reprinted in Moskoff, *Perestroika in the Countryside* (M.E. Sharpe, 1990).

Chapter, "Raion Agroindustrial Associations in Soviet Agriculture," in Karl-Eugen Wadekin, (ed.), *Communist Agriculture* (London: Routledge, 1990).

Paper, "Devolution in Decision-making and Organizational Change in Soviet Agriculture," AAASS Annual Conference, Honolulu, Hawaii, November 18-22, 1988

Paper at Conference on Economic Reform in Centrally Planned Economies, at the Indian School of Political Economy in Lonavla, India, November 30-December 4, 1987

Presentation, "Government Intervention in the American Agricultural Economy," at the Siberian Branch of the Lenin Academy of Agricultural Sciences, Krasnoobsk (Siberia), USSR, February 24, 1987 (in Russian)

Supervision of Graduate Student Field Research

Gender Quotas in India

Muslim's Attitudes Toward Democracy

Democratization in South Korea

Elite Attitudes and Public Opinion in Russia and Poland

Corruption and Anti-Corruption Measures in Romania

Ethnicity and Democracy in Sierra Leone and Liberia

State and Civil Society in the Arab Middle East

Innovative Local Governance and Natural Resource Management in Kenya

Institutions and Entrepreneurship in Africa

Social Mobilization of the Poor in South Africa

Other

Interviewed numerous times by Russian radio stations, newspapers and wire services in various regions of the country on aspects of land reform.