

Background and Contact Information

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Title of Most Recent Full-Time Position in Local Government: **City Manager/CEO**

Organization: City of Beverly Hills

Number of Years in Local Government: 39

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Your "Encore" Experiences

Please describe below your various activities and experiences, which may be of interest to local government managers as they consider their next life phase (for example, consulting, interim management, teaching, pro bono or volunteer work, writing, work in the non-profit sector, creative or artistic pursuits).

- I am serving on the board of Directors of two private sector Corporations, one is a large real estate holding company, and the other is a software company.
- I have also been doing consulting to government entities and private companies.
- I have been providing paid editorials to some regional newspapers and unpaid editorials to the Wall Street Journal on matters related to local government and government in general.
- I have provided guest lectures at high schools and colleges on career opportunities and on leadership skills.
- I have made a specialty of coaching our younger family members on career and effective behaviors.
- Have been doing a lot of camping and doing some training in outdoor survival skills.
- Hope to become more active in our church particularly in a ministry to help people with career and financial issues.
- I have remained active professionally with my involvement in the Encore Manager Program and Preparing the Next Generation and serving on the Cal-ICMA Ethics Committee.

Your Coaching Interests

Do you have any specific coaching interests? (for example, helping managers find interim work or teach)

- I like coaching the "on their way up" folks or those that have doubts.
- I also think it is important to provide a sounding board, not coaching, for experienced managers to just bounce issues off of to make sure they are not out in left field.
- I also like giving talks on career and leadership to students and young foks just starting their careers.