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SEEKING CONSULTING POSITION

I am seeking a consulting position in which I can use my experience, capacities and psychological knowledge to decrease human suffering in Africa or other continent. My expertise and interest is in health, disease prevention, staff development, conflict resolution, and increasing compliance with, and effectiveness of medical treatment. I am looking for a part-time consulting position that will involve traveling to third world countries, preferably Africa, for about 2-3 weeks every 2-3 months.

SUMMARY OF RELEVANT EXPERIENCE: (FOR DETAILS, SEE PAGE TWO)

- As a seasoned social and clinical psychologist (doctorate in 1984), and author of four books, I have acquired a great deal of experience and understanding, of human behavior and social change, psychosocial interventions, psychology of war and conflict, medical ethics, organizational development, and mediation and conflict resolution.
- I have extensive teaching experience at the graduate and postgraduate level and have conducted hundreds of seminars. I am the director of the Zur Institute, which offers over 90 online courses (details at <http://www.zurinstitute.com/homeonline.html>)
- As a limnologist and fish-culture expert, in my first career, I lived and worked in East Africa in the 1970's, where I researched family-sized fishponds. I have visited East and South Africa since then and am familiar with the cultures and the people.
- I am an experienced outdoorsman/hiker, climbed to the summit of Mt. Kilimanjaro in 2007.

I AM SEEKING A PART-TIME CONSULTING POSITION IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

- Health Promotion, Disease Prevention and Compliance with Treatment: I am interested in the psychological and psychosocial approaches to changing sexual and other behavior, as well as using psychological techniques for enhancing health practices, effective disease prevention, and increasing compliance with treatment.
- Treatment of PTSD, Trauma, Vicarious Traumatization, & Burnout: I am experienced in the treatment of trauma for refugees, victims of rape and domestic violence and for providing relief to staff members suffering from vicarious traumatization & burnout.
- Education: I can develop direct and distance educational programs and training.
- Needs assessment: Assessing the needs of organizations, communities and individuals in regards to psychosocial problems, such as AIDS, Malaria, TB, Domestic Violence, etc.
- Program evaluation: I can act as an outside expert for programs and organizations to objectively, evaluate the effectiveness of their investments and efforts.
- Staff and Team Development, and Conflict Resolution: I can help with team building, clarification of goals, organizational development, mediation and conflict resolution.

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BACKGROUND

- **Oceanography/Limnology:** In my first career, I conducted research in limnology and oceanography. As a limnologist, I worked in East Africa researching fresh-water, familysized fishponds, and as an oceanographer, my research at the Red Sea, in Israel, was with raising fish in floating cages in the ocean.
- **Expertise in Psychology:** My teaching, publications and expert consulting in social and clinical psychology have covered the following areas:
 - Psychology of war and violence, including violence on TV, video games and the Web.
 - Gender studies, including psychology of men and women and domestic violence.
 - Effective psychotherapy and counseling, and burnout of therapists.
 - Ethics in psychology with a focus on psychotherapeutic ethics, boundaries and dual relationships. Two of my books are on these subjects. Details: <http://www.zurinstitute.com/bio.html>
 - Forensic psychology, medical ethics and standard of care.
- **Continuing Education Program:** I am the founder and director of the Zur Institute, which provides over 90 post-graduate online courses for continuing education for psychologists, counselors, social workers and nurses. (Details at <http://www.drzur.com/homeonline.html>.)
- **Publications & Presentations:** I have written three books, co-authored one book, published dozens of articles and book chapters and have given hundreds of lectures, presentations and workshops on the above listed topics. (Many of my publications are posted on line at: <http://www.drzur.com/articles.html>.)
- **Current Professional Activities:** Psychotherapist, Author, Presenter/Teacher, Expert Witness, Mediator, Ethics and Clinical Consultant and Director of the Zur Institute Online Continuing Education Program

RESUME AND BIOGRAPHY

- **CV:** Available online at: <http://www.drzur.com/cvita.html>.
- **Biography:** Biographical note is available online at: <http://www.drzur.com/bio.html>
- **Articles:** Articles are available online at <http://www.zurinstitute.com/articles.html>

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