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OBJECTIVE

To obtain a position as a teacher / Educational Technologist in a forward-thinking secondary education institution.

QUALIFICATIONS

My entire professional life has centered on people. My goals have been to be dispassionate, review the situation, pose good questions and resolve the conflict to the best of my ability. From working with veterans in the largest veterans district in Florida, to lobbying legislators and state leaders concerning legislative proposals, to guiding students and parents through the educational process, my professional life has focused on pouring myself into the lives of others to help them achieve their goals.

EDUCATION

1986-1990 B.S. Communications/Management, Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA
2008-2010 B.S. Religion, Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA
2010-2012 M.Ed Educational Technology and Online Learning, Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA

EMPLOYMENT

1998-2009 **Teacher**, Calvary Christian Academy, Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Instructed Middle and High school students in French (Levels 1-3) Geography, Radio Production among other courses. Coordinated communication with parents, students
Online Component Integration (2009-present) Researched, reviewed and reported findings to administration concerning available online course providers.
National Honor Society Sponsor (2010-present)

1998-2009 **Teacher**, Central Florida Christian Academy, Orlando, FL
Instructed Middle and High school students in French (1-3), Bible, Government, Economics, World History, American History, Business math, Speech, Writing (1,2), Leadership courses and others. Coordinated communication with parents, students and school administration regarding academic progress helping to empower parents in their child's educational development. Planned, organized and led tours for students to Washington, D.C., New York City, and Paris, France.
Mentoring Coordinator (2003-2004) Selected mentors and matched them by skill set with new instructors to train them regarding policies and procedures at C.F.C.A. Evaluated and critiqued both mentors and protégées during the year.
Audio/Video Technician (1998-Present) Audio board operation for chapel, sports events and other programs and special events on campus. Announced for Eagle sports.

1996-1998 **State Legislative Director**, Florida Right to Life, Orlando, FL
Developed and executed legislative strategies for the organization. Developed favorable relationships between FRTL and members of the Legislature, press, and other lobbying groups state-wide. Coordinated actions with National Right to Life (Washington, D.C.) and reported results and action items to the state board and FRTL membership. Successes included numerous bills passed and the passage of a gubernatorial veto override.

1995-1996 **Caseworker**, Congressman Dave Weldon, Melbourne, FL
Veterans Affairs Liaison – Oversaw all Department of Defense and veterans affairs casework. Other areas of responsibility included: Child Support Enforcement, FEMA, FBI, CIA, Medicare, Department of Labor, Office Of Personnel Management. Conducted coordination between the Congressman's Service Academy Advisory Board the various service academies. Built rapport between various agencies and the congressional office. Planned and executed instruction of caseworkers on various aspects of constituent affairs.

PERSONAL

Married to Jamey Ozolnieks for 18 years.
Active member of Calvary Chapel, Ft. Lauderdale
Occasional downhill skier. (East and West Coast)
Enjoy infrequent visits to cultural centers in France.
Former Officer in the United States Army Armor Corps (1LT)

REFERENCES Available upon request