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SUMMARY

I am a seasoned copywriter, editor, project manager, and administrator with experience in surgery, dentistry, environmental science, archaeology, economics, and history publications.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Managing Editor, Selected Readings in Plastic Surgery, University of Texas Southwestern Medical School, Dallas, Texas May 1979 - Aug 2008

For the last 15 years of my tenure I oversaw the creation, production, and dissemination of a monthly surgical journal with an international circulation. From an early start as a research assistant, I was promoted to copy editor and later managing editor of the print and Web journal, responsible for all aspects of publication including communication with authors and the editorial board, managing the subscription list, staff assignments, marketing, and office finances.

EDUCATION

M.S. in Biology

University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico 1969

B.S. in Zoology

University of Miami, Miami, Florida 1967

Diplomate

Board of Editors in the Life Sciences, Washington, D.C. 1993

Two years after becoming certified by the Board of Editors in the Life Sciences (BELS) I completed the requirements for Diplomate designation and became BELS first newsletter editor.

RECENT EXPERIENCE

Since retiring from my academic job I have enjoyed dabbling in many fields by helping authors with their manuscripts, editing or translating their words to/from English and Spanish. I have also served as a volunteer on multiple local and regional committees and boards while indulging my interests in environmental policy, neighborhood and sustainability issues, animal welfare, and voting rights.

Addendum to resume, provided by Robert Scott:

The following comments are intended to reflect some of Ms. Darling's water-focused activities and are attached here as supplements to her résumé.

In recent years, Ms. Darling has actively followed various water issues in addition to her other environmental efforts. Early on she served on a Lake Arlington master plan committee led by Julie Hunt.

She helped organize a successful water forum for the League of Women Voters of Tarrant County. This was a joint symposium hosted by several local Leagues and held at the Irving Public Library. It followed publication of *Is Water a Commodity?* by the League of Women Voters of Texas and was well attended by city officials from the DFW area and the public at large.

Ms. Darling is a current member of the Steering Committee for the Trinity River Authority's Village Creek-Lake Arlington Watershed Protection Plan led by Aaron Hoff's group. The first committee meeting was on July 19 and was preceded by several informational and organizational sessions to sort it all out. The committee's next meeting will be in October.

Earlier this summer Ms. Darling attended the SWIFT Funding & Water Conservation workshop sponsored by NCTCOG-Sierra Club-TRWD and others. She has attended water-related meetings locally when there was an opportunity to do so.

Most recently Ms. Darling was invited to join the Water Resources Council of the North Central Texas Council of Governments. Her appointment is scheduled to be confirmed at the September 8 meeting of that body.

Ms. Darling is a long-time member of Tarrant Coalition for Environmental Awareness as well as current board member and former president of the Arlington Conservation Council and the Heart of Arlington Neighborhood Association.