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Abbreviated

EDUCATION

King's College, Department of War Studies, London, England.

M.A. in War Studies, September 1995.

M.A. Thesis: *Georgian Military Failure in Abkhazia*

Columbia University, New York, NY.

B.A. in History, Cum Laude, 1992.

B.A. Honors Thesis: *Spain's Blue Division on the Russian Front*

AWARDS AND HONORS

Finalist, Best Feature, Rory Peck Award London UK, for *Virgin Soldiers*, CH4 UK, 2003

Winner, Best Feature, Royal Television Society Award London UK, for *House of War*, CH4 UK, 2002.

Winner, Best Feature, Rory Peck Award London UK, *House of War*, CH4 UK, 2002.

Recipient, MacArthur Foundation Regional Security Travel Grant, for on-site research in Abkhazia, South Ossetia and Georgia regarding regional military force structures and capabilities in context of state development in the Caucasus. King's College London, Dept of War Studies, 1995.

M.A. Representative to the War Studies Society.

PROFFESIONAL EXPERIENCE

Founder and Director of Combat Films and Research, a non-partisan political-military research center specializing in documenting cultures and conflicts and producing analyses in various mediums such as original language documentary films and interviews, academic papers, articles, lectures and other educational material. Clients include BBC, CH4 UK, Discovery Channel, Proquest, Pearson Education, David M. Kennedy Center at Brigham Young University, US Army, and US Marine Corps.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Conducted first person interviews with Chechen fighters in undisclosed locations. Summer 2008

Conducted field research focusing on resurgence of Taliban in east and southeastern Afghanistan and on going counter-insurgency operations in behalf of the US Army's Foreign Military Studies Office (FMSO), December 2005.

Embedded with 3rd Stryker Brigade Combat Team to conduct research on combat operations in Mosul Iraq, March 2004.

Embedded with India Company 3/7 Marines for Operation Iraqi Freedom, January-April 2003.

Embedded with US Army's 101st for operations in Eastern Afghanistan, February-April 2002.

Conducted field research focusing on China's Muslim Uigar population in Western China and northern Pakistan, Summer 2001.

Conducted on-going research of separatist crisis in the Georgian Republic, including the composition of fighters on both sides of the conflicts: Chechens, Turks, Ukrainians, Dagestanis... 1993-2001.

Conducted research in the breakaway republic of Chechnya, including interview with warlords and field commanders, as well as ordinary citizen insurgents, across the territory of Chechnya, 1997-1998.

Conducted research into Islamist movements in Ferghana Valley in eastern Uzbekistan, 1997.

Conducted security research into US Army's 1st Armor Division's deployment to Posovina Corridor, Bosnia, post Dayton Peace Accords, 1995.

Abkhazian Coordinator, responsible for gaining access to and establishing contact with Abkhazian separatists and promoting Abkhazian-Georgian dialogue for Verification Technology Information Centre (VERTIC) sponsored peace conferences in Kobuleti Georgia, Summer 1995.

Visiting Scholar. Conducted on-site research project assessing Georgian civil-military relations in context of separatist regions: Abkhaz, South Ossetia and Chechnya. The Caucasian Institute For Peace, Democracy and Development (CIPDD), Tbilisi, Georgia. 1995, 1997, 1999, and 2001.

Participated in a series of briefings with Hungarian, Czech and Slovak Security/Defense Ministries under the auspices of the Visegrad States Development and Security Project sponsored by the Department of War Studies and British Ministry of Defence, Summer 1995.

Conducted archival research and first person interviews with survivors of Fascist Spain's *Blue Division* and its military role within the German army on the Russian Front during World War II, Spanish Armed Forces Library and Archive, Madrid, and Toledo Spain, 1991-1992.

PUBLICATIONS

JOURNALS

"Weaponizing the Story: Chechen and Russian Media Operations 1994 to the Present," *The Harriman Review*, Fall 2008.

"War on Film," *Jane's Intelligence Review*, July 2007.

"Soldier Pilots: UAVs in the Army's New Modular Combat Brigade," *Journal Of Electronic Defense*, January 2006.

“Stryker Brigade Combats Guerillas in Mosul,” *Jane’s Intelligence Review*, April 2004.

“Marines Make Swift Landing In West Africa,” *Jane’s Intelligence Review*, February 2004.

“Special Cooperation at Salman Pak,” *Jane’s Intelligence Review*, July 2003 (Salmon Pak)

“Chopper in the Coils: Operation Anaconda was a back to basics Campaign for US Combat Helicopters,” *Journal Of Electronic Defense*, September 2002.

“Interviews with Tengiz Sigua and Jaba Ioseliani,” *The Harriman Review*, December 2001.

“Caucasus Wars Collide in the Kodori Corridor,” *Jane’s Intelligence Review*, December 2001.

“UN Helicopter Shot Down In Kodori,” *Jane’s Intelligence Review*, November 2001.

“Security Deteriorates Along the Abkhazia-Georgia Ceasefire Line,” *Jane’s Intelligence Review*, September 2001.

“Interview With Chechen Foreign Minister Ilyas Akhmadov”, *The Harriman Review*, March 2000.

“Casus Belli For The Caucasus,” *Jane’s Intelligence Review*, November 1999

“Chechnya Seizes Independence But Unity Beyond Reach,” *Jane’s Intelligence Review*, March 1999.

“Truce Means Nothing in Western Georgia,” *Jane’s Intelligence Review*, June 1998.

“The Georgian Security Dilemma and Military Failure in Abkhazia,” *The Harriman Review*, 1998.

“Caucasian Confederates,” *Jane’s Intelligence Review*, February 1997.

"Georgian-Abkhazian Security Issues," *Jane's Intelligence Review*, February 1996.

"Abkhazia," *War Studies Journal*, Dept of War Studies, King’s College London, Autumn 1995.

NEWSPAPER ARTICLES, FEATURES AND OP ED

“Warlordism in Georgia Again,” *National Review On-Line*, September 2008

“War Crimes Allegation Breeds Tension Between US and Britain,” *SLC Tribune*, June 1, 2003.

“North Korea Seeks One-Two Punch,” *SLC Tribune*, December 29, 2002.

“New Afghan Military Completes First Mission,” *SLC Tribune*, December 22, 2002

“Urban Warfare Complex In Iraq: Military Divisions,” *SLC Tribune*, November 24, 2002.

“Afghan Experience Model for Iraqi Conflict: Small Fire At Close Range Can Bring Down Helicopters,” *SLC Tribune*, November 10, 2002.

“Moscow Theater Takeover May Signal Rebel’s Recent Desperation,” *SLC Tribune*, Nov. 3, 2002.

“Chechen Rebel Dreams Of A United Caucasus,” *SLC Tribune*, October 18, 1999.

Buffeted By Typhoons of History: Tracing the Footsteps of Helen Snow,” *SLC Tribune*, June 27, 1999.

“Ethnic Crisis in the Western Caucasus Is Just Beginning,” *SLC Tribune*, June 14, 1998.

“Where to Test Drive a Missile”, *SLC Tribune*, April 24, 1998.

“In Harms Way: Chechen Odyssey,” *SLC Tribune*, March 8, 1998.

“Local Unit Makes History in Bosnia,” *SLC Tribune*, July 1996.

"Georgian Refugees Life Bleak, Future Darker Still," *SLC Tribune*, September 1994.

"The Significance of Free Elections in a Democratic State", *Georgian Times*, No. 13, May 1995.

CREATIVE WORKS:

Chechnya: Separatism or Jihad. David M. Kennedy Center at BYU, PBS 2006

Launch Pads and Lily Pads. David M. Kennedy Center at BYU, PBS. 2006

Ukraine Sonata. David M. Kennedy Center at BYU, PBS. 2005

Fog and Friction. David M. Kennedy Center at BYU, PBS. 2005

Masses To Masses: An Artist in Mao’s China. David M. Kennedy Center at BYU, PBS. 2005

Fault Lines and Pipelines. David M. Kennedy Center at BYU, PBS. 2005

Arms Bazaar. David M. Kennedy Center at BYU, PBS. 2005

A Day In The Life. BBC and Learning Channel, 2004.

Virgin Soldiers. CH 4 UK and Discovery Channel, 2003.

Helen Foster Snow: Witness to Revolution. BYU for PBS, 2001.

Immortal Fortress: A Look Inside Chechnya’s Warrior Culture. PBS and NHK Japan, 1998.

Writer/Producer of educational documentary shorts on topics ranging from political science and history, to economic affairs. Pearson Education and Educational Management Group, 1997-2001.

Co-writer, researcher and producer of three part Gulf War documentary series focusing on the role of weapons in modern conflict. History Channel. November-December 1995.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

CONFERENCE PAPERS, PANELS CHAIRED OR MODERATED

Moderator, *The Question of Nagorna-Karabakh*, Hinckley Forums, University of Utah, May 18, 2007.

“The Last Warlord: Chechnya’s Military Leadership Decimated”, 2006 Middle East and Central Asia Politics, Economics, and Society Conference, University of Utah, September 2006.

“Military Strategy”, Countdown Iraq: A Spectrum of Informed Opinion, David M. Kennedy Center for International Studies at BYU November 22, 2002.

“A Conversation About Filmmaking and the Coverage of War”, House of Docs Program, Sundance Film Festival, January 12, 2002.

“Human Rights and Societies in Transition: Causes, Consequences, and Responses,” University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, March 1-3, “2001

“Battlefield Casualty Projections: Incorporating Adversary-Specific Socio-Cultural Factors into U.S. Casualty Sustainment Forecasts,” Operations Research Division, Naval Health Research Center, Bethesda, MD, June 1996.

“Democratic Transition in Newly Independent States,” VERTIC/WEU, Tbilisi, Georgia, 1995.

“Human Rights Violations in Contested Regions,” VERTIC/WEU, Kobuleti, Adjara, Georgia, 1995.

“Security in the Visegrad States”, a series of conferences with security ministries, Hungary, Czech and Slovak Republics, Dept. of War Studies/MOD, Spring 1995.

LECTURES (Titles and dates available upon request)

Frequent Lecturer on Central Asia and Caucasus Security, Chechnya, Afghanistan, Abkhazia, Iraq and Media and Information Operations at US Army’s General Command and Staff College, School of Advanced Military Studies, Foreign Military Studies Office, Department of the Navy, Air Force Academy, Monterey Institute, Leadership Development and Education for Sustained Peace (LDESP), Naval Post Graduate School, Association of Nationalities Conferences (NYC), The Harriman Institute, King’s College London, New York Military Affairs Symposium, University of Utah, Brigham Young University, Mesa Community College, Utah Valley University, University of Arizona, La Salle University, Mount Holyoke College, Boston College, Eastern Oregon University.

And numerous civic institutions including, the National Endowment for the Humanities, Forum for Questioning Minds, Utah Council for Citizen Democracy, and Utah, Idaho and Hawaii Humanities Councils.