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Melissa Fouse Appraisals & Melissa Fouse Arts Advisory. August 2008-Present. Accredited member of the Appraisers Association of America. Qualified Personal Property Appraiser of Fine Arts, Alaska Native Arts, Antiques, Decorative Arts, Household Contents, Books, & Wine.

The Turquoise Barrabara & Resurrection Bay Galerie. Cooper Landing, Alaska & Seward, Alaska. Partner. 1974-2010. Fine Arts, Decorative Arts, Alaska Native Arts. Art consulting.

Alaska Academy of Trial Lawyers/ Alaska Action Trust - Executive Director/Government Relations. June 2000 to Dec 2006.

Government relations, fundraising, board development, strategic planning, conference planning, continuing education, executive management, budgeting, lobbying.

Alaska Legislature, Anchorage Majority Office Staff. Legislative Long Range Financial Plan Committee Staff, Liaison National Conference of State Legislatures. September 1994 to May 1996.

University of Alaska, Chancellor Don Behrend. Anchorage Community & Government Relations. August 1993-September 1994.

- Developed legislation and budget requests, lobbied Alaska Legislature.
- Represented Chancellor Behrend at public events.

Alaska State Senate. Senator Arliss Sturgulewski. Senior Advisor, September 1980-August 1992.

- Analyzed policy, prepared legislation, carried bills, followed the operating and capital budgets, advocated with legislators, community, and the state administrative branch. Staff to Title 29 Revision Commission.
- Advocated for district capital budget projects.
- Responded to constituent requests for information and advocacy.
- Committee Aide, Senate Health, Education & Social Services Committee. (Sturgulewski, chair), Prepared committee legislation.

### Education

BA. Philosophy/Applied Ethics. University of Alaska Anchorage.

Master's Honours Classes, Philosophy. University of St. Andrews, Scotland.

Over 300 hours of continuing education in art history, connoisseurship, and appraisal methodology.