

ELAINE ANDREWS LAILAS

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS

Ph.D., December, 1998. Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Public Administration and Public Affairs. Dissertation title: *“John Dewey’s Theory of Citizenship and Community in the Developing American Democracy as seen through the Philosophy of Pragmatism as a Public Administration Model for the Citizen’s Role in Public Governance.”*

Doctoral Candidate-Ph.D. Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Public Administration and Public Affairs, Studies: 1989-93. Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies, December, 1993.

M. Ed., Guidance and Counseling, University of Virginia.

B. Ed., Business Education, University of Miami, FL.

EXPERIENCE

Hellenic American Academy, Principal, 1997 to present. Head of private, independent elementary school of 100 students with a teaching staff of eighteen.

Greek Orthodox Church of Saint George, Bethesda. Church Consecration Chair, 1995-98; Grand Hall Interior Design Committee Chair, 1993-95; Parish Council President-1990-93; Vice-President-1989-90; Member 1988-93 (\$3.5 m. Cultural Center Building Program.); Director-Church School, (Nursery to adult) 1980-83; Curriculum development coordinator, 1979-83.

U.S. Department of Education, Horace Mann Learning Center, Research Analyst Consultant, Fall, 1992. Conducted national research on Self-Assessment Inventories and/or other tools on Skills--Basic, Leadership, Personal, Career-Planning and Development, Professional, Technology Skills and provided data base of research.

Fairfax County Department of Human Development: Coordinator and Co-trainer of Fairfax Project conducted by Virginia Tech--Center for Public Administration and Policy, Fall, 1989 to 1992. Graduate Assistantship. Organizational Development to change culture of social welfare agency to a team-based system where end result is to achieve client independence.

Fairfax-Brewster School. Headmistress-1982-88. Managed 40-member staff of elementary school with 230 pupils ages 3-12. Articulate legislative matters pertinent to private elementary education in Richmond.

American Association of University Women--National Program Vice President, 1983-85. Officer of Executive Board and Board of Directors, Legal Advocacy Board and Foundation Executive Board and Board of Directors. **Research/writer.** AAUW, 1980-81. **Government relations.** AAUW, 1976-1981. Lobby on Capitol Hill; articulate legislation to membership at the national, state, and local levels; legislative committee--set agenda and priorities. **Legislative consultant.** AAUW, 1977. Assist in researching and writing “Action Alert..” **Travel Visitor**--consultant to state divisions on legislation, and other pertinent issues. **State President,** Program Development V. Pres., Treasurer, AAUW, 1974-80.

Additional Experience

Democratic Party--Fairfax County committee member, 1981-1991; Grassroots precinct coordinator for Don Beyer for Governor of Virginia, 1996; State Delegate Candidate for the House of Delegates-1981. McLean Community Center-Chairperson, Governing Board-1986-88 (Catalyst in coalescing grass-roots support of The McLean Project for the Arts with the Center and establishing a Teen Center in a non-partisan manner.); Vice Chairperson, 1984-86. Secretary, 1983, Member 1982-88. (\$4.5m. Capital Improvement Program).

Adjunct faculty member. Northern Virginia Community College; Guidance-Counseling practicum.

Instructor. Adult Education in Fairfax County, Charlottesville, and Dade County.

Teacher. Lane High School, Charlottesville, Virginia.