

RESUME OF VALERIE JEAN SOUTHERN

Valerie J. Southern is an independent transportation-planning consultant with expertise in transportation systems planning and program management. For over 25 years, she has assisted governments and the private sector in the analysis, administration and financing of complex transportation projects and programs. Ms. Southern's career covers all modes of transportation and represents every level of government and the private sector. Her technical skills include transportation systems analysis (all modes), transportation policy and program development, capital plan preparation and budgeting, in-depth knowledge of federal transportation legislation and technical research.

EDUCATION

Master in Public Administration - Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 1987.
Master in Community Planning - University of Rhode Island, Kingston, Rhode Island, 1980.
Bachelor of Arts in Journalism - University of Rhode Island, 1976.

EXPERIENCE

Transportation Consultant Fairfax, VA
Independent consultant specializing in transportation systems planning (all modes) for local, state and federal governments and larger engineering firms. In-depth knowledge of federal transportation legislation.

King County Department of Transportation Seattle, WA
Manager, Transportation Planning Division
Executive administrator and manager of the \$1 billion King County transportation-planning program featuring all modes: roadway, freight, transit, rail, ferry, pedestrian, bicycle and equestrian. Directed the work of 80 professional planners and engineers in the development of the transportation element of the County's comprehensive and capital plans.

Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) Boston, MA
Director, Community Planning
Manager of project planning for the \$490 million Old Colony commuter rail extension project and the \$430 million Blue Line Modernization Project.

Executive Office of Transportation and Construction Boston, MA
Deputy Secretary, Transportation and Capital Planning
Executive manager and administrator of state transportation policy and strategic plans. Administered \$1.6 billion capital budget, developed and implemented state multi-modal programs, managed 100 professional engineers and planners. In-depth knowledge and application of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act and the Clean Air Act.

Federal Highway Administration Cambridge, MA
Expert Consultant
Central Artery/Third Harbor Tunnel Project
Expert Consultant assisting in the planning, administration, oversight and coordination of the 10-year, \$13 billion Central Artery/Third Harbor Tunnel Project - the largest federally funded public works program in North America.

Governor's Office Providence, RI
Deputy Director, Policy
Manager of the Governor's policy office overseeing the development of statewide policy in Transportation, Land Use and Economic Development.

Barton Aschman Associates, Inc.
Transportation Consultant

Evanston, IL

Consultant performing municipal and state transportation and land use management analysis and studies including intersection capacity analysis, interchange feasibility studies and pedestrian facilities planning.

District of Columbia Department of Transportation
Office of Policy and Program Development
Transportation Policy Analyst

Washington, DC

Principal analyst in the development of transportation, economic development, and public space preservation policy in the Nation's Capital. Author of the transportation element of the city comprehensive plan. Appointed special assistant to the Mayor and the City Administrator. Received Distinguished Public Service Award.

RECENT TRAINING

- Certificate of Completion, *Profit Mastery – Management Advisory Services*, Bank of America, 2007.
- Certificate of Completion, *Essentials of Industrial Security Management*, DoD Defense Security Service Academy, 2006.
- Certificate of Completion, *Minority Business Executive Program*, Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth, 2001.

AWARDS

- *Business Person of the Year*, Issaquah, Washington
- *Top Diversity Business of the Year*, DiversityBusiness.com
- Kahn Fellow, Harvard University
- Regional Finalist, White House Fellowship Competition
- Toll Fellow, Council of State Governments

AFFILIATIONS

- Member: Institute of Management Consultants, USA.
- Member: National Defense Transportation Association (NDTA).
- Panel Member: Cooperative Highway and Transit Research Programs, Projects 8-41, G-07.
- Chair: Issaquah Chamber of Commerce, Transportation Oversight Committee.
- Commissioner: City of Issaquah Planning Commission.
- Who's Who in America, 58th Edition, *Marquis Who's Who*, New Providence, New Jersey.