SARAH MCTEE

SUMMARY

Marine ecologist turned policy specialist, maintaining a portfolio career as a consultant, yoga instructor, Reiki practitioner and massage therapist. Extensive experience with project management and international relations with professional training in negotiation and facilitation techniques. Successful fundraiser, who is highly effective at distilling and communicating complex information for diverse user groups. Has worked for the Federal government as well as large conservation organizations and is skilled at bridging gaps between individuals and organizations with differing interests and opinions.

EXPERIENCE

YOGA INSTRUCTOR

ASHTANGA YOGA NASHVILLE • 04/20 - PRESENT OPEN SPACE YOGA • 04/17 - PRESENT STILL AND MOVING CENTER • 01/20 - PRESENT

NATURAL RESOURCES POLICY CONSULTANT

UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG • 10/2019 – PRESENT

- Managed an international partnership promoting sustainable use of marine resources in the Pacific
- Developed Terms of Reference for Advisory Board and Mission Statement
- Created and tracked annual work plan and curated material for website (PacificCatalyst.org)
- Lead monthly video conference calls among partner organizations
- Draft quarterly updates for the Board as well as briefing materials for their annual meetings

SENIOR MANAGER

ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE FUND • 4/16 – 09/19

- Developed and implemented global strategy for Pacific tuna fisheries
- Responsible for \$1 million budget, including grant writing and reporting as well as tracking funds
- Managed a small team of staff and external consultants and their contracts
- Organized and facilitated international meetings with partner organizations
- Managed collaborative research projects including bioeconomic analyses, legislative and policy reviews, and needs and gaps analyses.

FISHERY POLICY MANAGER

ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE FUND • 10/11 – 3/16

- Partnered with State and Federal government agencies, industry and non-governmental organizations to promote sustainability of the Pacific groundfish fishery
- Lobbied congress to secure appropriations for data collection programs, including developing proposed budgets for the eight Regional Fishery Management Councils
- Held the Conservation Seat on the Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Panel of the Pacific Fishery Management Council and provided public testimony advocating for holistic management of fisheries

FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICER

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE • 10/11 – 03/16

- Negotiated international conservation and management measures for marine resources
- Led and/or participated in U.S. delegations to international meetings, including the United Nations
- Managed distribution of Federal Foreign Assistance Funds to Pacific Island Countries and Territories
- Prepared testimony for Congressional hearings
- Briefed senior government officials and Embassy personnel on marine conservation priorities

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

YOGA INSTRUCTOR

ZAZEN • San Francisco, CA • 11/12 – 12/16

THE YOGA SOCIETY OF SAN FRANCISCO • San Francisco, CA • 05/12 – 11/12

THE BREATHING ROOM • Cairo, Egypt • 05/11 – 02/12

KNAUSS MARINE POLICY FELLOW • NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE • 02/06 – 02/07

Developed workshop curriculum for commercial fishermen and seafood dealers. Assisted in the development of Environmental Impact Statements and Environmental Assessments. Attended public hearings and responded to public comments to proposed regulatory actions.

PROFESSIONAL TRAININGS

LOMI LOMI MASSAGE • Malia Helela • September and March 2020

REIKI LEVEL 2 • Dr. Eric Ruben • February 2020

LOMI LOMI MASSAGE • LiAnn Uyeda • March, September and November 2018; June 2019; January 2020

MINDFUL VOICE • Stephanie Keiko-Kong • April 2019

FACILITATION METHODS • Technology of Participation • April 2017

PUBLIC SPEAKING • Vocal Presence with Lauri Smith • April 2015

FOUNDATIONS OF INTERNATIONAL LAW • Foreign Service Institute • May 2008

INTERNATIONAL NEGOTIATIONS - ARTS AND SKILLS • Foreign Service Institute • March 2007

SKILLS

Project Management	Public Speaking	Report Writing	Website Development & Editing
Fundraising	Budget Oversight	GSuite	PowerPoint/Excel/Word
Data Management	Communication	Facilitation	Building Partnerships

EDUCATION

MASSAGE THERAPY • Quantum Institute International • March 2019 - January 2020

300 HOUR JIVAMUKTI YOGA CERTIFICATION • Omega Institute • May 2011

MASTER OF SCIENCE • ZOOLOGY • MAY 2007 • UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII, MANOA

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE • AQUATIC BIOLOGY • JUNE 2000 • UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA BARBARA