

NICHOLAS SHAPIRO LAKAS

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Background

Born and raised in New York City
Work with National Youth Administration (NYA)
George Washington University
US Navy, World War II (Italy and Pacific)
Joined the Foreign Service in 1948
Marriage

Glasgow, Scotland; Consular Officer Polish Free Army visa applicants Environment Scots emigration	1948-1950
Island of Cork, Ireland, Principal Officer Consular cases Environment Relations with Embassy US federal beneficiaries	1951-1953
Alexandria, Egypt; Deputy Principal Officer President Nasser Nasser nationalizes Suez Canal Company Attack on Egypt Embassy and Consulate evacuation Environment Aswan Dam	1953-1957
University of Wisconsin; Advanced Political Science study Speaking engagements Liberalism	1957-1958
State Department; Personnel Officer Visa Correspondence Course Efficiency Reports	1958-1960
State Department: FSI; Arabic language training	1960-1961
Beirut, Lebanon; Arabic language training	1961-1962
Kuwait, Economic Officer Environment	1962-1964

Reporting	
Foreign community	
Iraqi threat of invasion	
British	
American oil interests	
Relations with government and populace	
Security	
Tripoli, Libya; Commercial Officer	1964-1966
Department of Commerce; Deputy Director, Office of International Investments	1966-1968
Overseas investments	
American Chamber of Commerce	
Korea	
Work environment	
Seoul, Korea; Economic & Commercial Counselor	1969-1972
Security	
USAID	
Government	
Military	
Living quarters	
US Ambassadors	
Korean officials	
Korean trade fair	
US commercial interests	
Corruption	
US/Korea Society	
Investment legislation	
Returning Korean students	
Environment	
Vietnam War	
Commercial intelligence	
State Department; Director of Commercial Program	1972-1975
Relations with Department of Commerce	
World Directory Trade Reports (WTDRs)	
Retirement	1975