

AMBASSADOR DONALD PETTERSON

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Born and raised in California	
U.S. Navy	
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University of California at Santa Barbara; UCLA	
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State Department - Deputy Under Secretary for Management	1984-1986
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State Department - Africa Bureau - Deputy Assistant Secretary (temporary) Liberia	1989-1990

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