

# VIRGINIA CARSON YOUNG

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### Background

- Raised in Washington and Oregon
- University of Washington
- Wife of FSO, Berlin, Canada, Haiti
- Worked on Capitol Hill for Senator Packwood
- Husband died

### Department of State

- Appointed Reserve Officer in Foreign Service
- Passed FSO exam, appointed FSO
- Consular training
- Hindi language training

### New Delhi, India

1974-1978

- Consular officer
- Student's visas
- Visa fraud
- "Patel Motels"
- Visa Work-load
- India's "brain drain"

### Hong Kong

1978-1983

- American Services
- Citizenship fraud
- Chinese Applicants

### Merida, Mexico

1983-1987

- Principal Officer
- Petroleum activities
- Yucatan's desire to join USA
- Commercial interests
- Ambassador John Gavin
- U.S. tourist problems

### Bucharest, Romania

1987-1991

- Chief of consular section
- Ceausescu
- Local repression
- Most Favored Nation Status
- U.S. Refugee Act of 1980
- Romanian persecutions

Ceausescu flees and is captured  
Rescue missions during revolution  
“Foreign adoptions” problem  
HIV virus in children  
INS investigation of “adoption problem”  
Parole issue

Lima, Peru

1991-1992

Consular Officer  
Adoption Problem  
Taking the flak  
Political ambassador’s attitude