

Oral History Outline

DIRECTOR FOR TEMPORAL AFFAIRS

THE CHURCH OF
JESUS CHRIST
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Background

Family and Church Background

- Early years and family
 - Missionary service
 - Church callings
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Education and Professional Background

- Education
 - Professional work outside of Church employment
 - Experience in Church employment
 - Other preparation leading to assignment as DTA
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Call and Orientation

Director for Temporal Affairs

- Selection to be DTA
 - Impact on family
 - Training and direction from Presiding Bishopric Office
 - Overview of responsibilities
 - Description of departments that report to the DTA
 - Structure of the area office and changes over time
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Responsibilities and Service

Objectives

- Strategic and annual planning
 - Significant initiatives and innovations
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Country Development

- Overview of countries and demographics in the area
 - Service centers
 - Country-specific issues
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Employee Development

- Employee issues, including hiring, organizational changes, and downsizing
 - Developing future leaders
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Finance

- Efforts to become self-sufficient
 - Challenges and successes
 - Church auditing
 - Improvement in procedures
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Responsibilities and Service (cont.)

Real Estate

- Buying and selling property
 - Challenges and successes
 - Meetinghouse plans and adaptations
 - Special projects like temples and youth centers
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Humanitarian Work

- Impact of humanitarian work
 - Work of Philanthropies and other NGOs
 - Challenges and opportunities
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Legal Issues

- Issues involving legal counsel
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Counseling with Church Leaders

- Relationship with the Area Presidency
 - Changes in the role of the PBO supporting the Area Presidency
 - Annual reviews
 - Relationship with general Church organizations
 - Visits from senior Church leaders
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Conclusion

Testimony

- Spiritual experiences in temporal administration
 - Testimony
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