

Edward J. Blakely | Acting Commissioner Land and Environment NSW, Australia Emeritus Professor

University of California at Berkeley

PhD UCLA

ExLLM Pritzker, School of Law Northwestern Univ (USA)

Graduate Certificate in Global Law (Griffith Univ, Aus int'l private law & arbitration)

Certificate Mediation, Australian Disputes Centre



PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Dr. Edward J. Blakely is Acting Commissioner on the New South Wales Land and Environment Court where he acts as a mediator, arbitrator and jurist in determining planning land use, zoning, building, architecture, design, major infrastructure and construction disputes as a judicial officer with authority for final determinations and writes all judgements, orders and final awards for issues arising in Greater Sydney and New South Wales. He is an Honorary Professor at the University of Sydney and formerly with the United States Studies. He is the founder and principal of the Cities Leadership Institute in Australia.

He was named by Mayor C. Ray Nagin of New Orleans in 2007 as the Mayor's Executive Director for Recovery. His post includes coordinating all aspects of the City and Parish's recovery from Hurricane Katrina. He reported directly to the Mayor and had coordinating responsibilities for the use of all City resources to accomplish this task. He was formerly Dean of the Dean of the Robert J. Milano Graduate School of Management and Urban Policy, New School University.

Ed is an internationally recognized leader in urban community development and has been directly involved in strategic planning, financing and real estate development and project management for more than thirty years. He serves on several corporate boards including several multi-million-dollar real estate development firm. He was a principal with Humboldt Realty of Oakland, California. He served on the Advisory Board of Bendigo Bank. He was named by President Clinton to serve as Vice Chairman of the Presidio Trust and served in the Nixon Administration as well as advisory roles for three other White Houses. He has been engaged in both urban and rural research. His rural research gained him the Community Development Research award in 2002. His urban research led Samuel Guggenheim Fellowship 1995. He has been a named lecturer or visiting faculty member at University of Venice (Current) Oxford, Cambridge, Rutgers, and Harvard, MIT, University of Wisconsin, Penn, UCLA, Sydney University, Melbourne University, and several internationally prestigious forums. He serves on the National Academy of Sciences Panel on Urban Development and Transportation. He currently holds visiting professorships at the University of the Vaal in South Africa and the University of Venice in Italy as well as Emeritus Dean and Professorships at UC Berkeley, the University of Southern California and the New School, New York.

As a consultant and advisor, Ed has been responsible for leading teams in planning and implementing solutions for major urban areas in the United States and overseas. He has been the major economic development consultant for Sydney, and Melbourne Australia, City of Oakland as well as cities of major jurisdictions throughout the United States. He was the primary planner and resource person for two Mayors in Oakland California. He was responsible for the major downtown revitalization plan for Oakland as well as that City's earthquake and fire recovery projects. He has extensive experience in economic development and transportation and has led the Cypress Freeway project among others. He teaches urban and rural development, regional policy and community development. He currently serves as advisor to the OECD and state governments in the United States, Australia, Sweden and Japan. Since 1992, he has been a policy advisor to the Mayor of the City of Oakland, California and ran unsuccessfully for Mayor of Oakland, Calif., and finishing second to Ex-Governor Jerry Brown in 1998.

MAJOR AWARDS AND HONOURS

Urban Leadership Award, University of Pennsylvania for leadership in urban policy in reshaping New Orleans, 2008

The Eliot Richardson Award of the American Academy of Public Administration for Ethics and Service in Public Administration, 2008
Alumnus of the Year at the University of California at Riverside, 2007

New South Wales Chapter of the Planning Institute of Australia Research Prize with Nicole Gurran for Seachange Research, 2006

Visiting Scholar at keynote speaker at the Helsinki Technical University at the 50th Anniversary of the new Town of Tapiola, Finland September 2003

Honoured as First Speaker at the University of Western Sydney Annual Sir Ian Turbott Lecture July 2003
Riverside California Black History Day Grand Marshall for Black History and Pioneers Parade in Riverside, Calif. Feb. 4, 2003

Edward J. Blakely Centre for Sustainable Suburban Development dedicated on the University of California at Riverside on Feb 4, 2003

Community Development Society Award for Lifetime Research Achievement 2002

Keynote Speaker at the Annual Conference of the American Planning Association April 2002

Elected Fellow National Academy of Public Administration 2001

Chair for the Western Region Oxford University Rhodes Scholarship Committee 1998

Appointed by President Bill Clinton to the Presidio Trust in 1997

Lincoln Land Policy Institute Senior Fellow and Harvard University Visitor for Spring 1995

One of 40 Achievers recognized by the University of California-Riverside on its 40th Anniversary
October 1994

Received the Samuel Guggenheim Fellowship 1995

Presented the *Palme Academic* by the Republic of France for contributions to international education

Winner of the Paul Davidoff Award, Best Book in Planning, 1993

Distinguished Contribution, American Planning Association, 1992

Outstanding Faculty Member, UC Berkeley graduating from UC Riverside, voted by the Faculty Alumni and Faculty, Riverside, 1992

Athletic Hall of Fame UC Riverside Athletic Foundation, University of California, for football, basketball, track & rugby, 1991

Candube Lecturer, Rutgers University Distinguished Lecturer, 1991

San Francisco Foundation Award, San Francisco Foundation for Human Relations in the Bay Area, 1990

Distinguished Service Award, Community Development Society of America, 1989

Special Service Award, City of Oakland, California, 1989

Fulbright Fellow, Industrial Policy; Urban and Rural 1986, Sweden, 1985/6

Visiting Fellow, Australian Institute Urban

Affairs, 1985

Visiting Scholar, Germany Today: Politics, Economy, Culture, The German Academic Exchange Deutscher Adademischer Austauschdienst, 1984

Regents Lecturer, University of Wisconsin, Madison, 1983

Symposium Leader, U.S. Congress Committee on Agriculture Agricultural Communities: The Interrelationship of Agriculture, Business, Industry and

Service Award (1970); Community Service Awards from
cities in U.S. and Australia

INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- China, Russia, France, Brazil in urban redevelopment planning currently
- Armenia, Turkey, Georgia, Russia and Azerbaijan (2002) - working on regional peace building efforts
- South Africa -- requested by the Mandela government to devise the regional and local government regional development policies for the nation
- China (1998-2003) -- regional economic policy
- Poland 1993 -- develop regional economic planning models
- Australia 1980- 1994, State and local economic development planning
- Sweden 1986, Local employment creation and industrial policy
- Japan 1986, Regional development policy
- West Africa 1972-83, Rural community and social health development policy
- Sudan 1977, Rural health and community development education
- Egypt 1979, Urbanization and community development policy
- Turkey 1974-77, Regional development policies
- Caribbean 1971-81, Community economic development

FORTHCOMING BOOKS

Divided We Fail: Race and Class in Equality in American Cities

LANGUAGES

- Spanish-fluent
- French-read
- Arabic-comprehend
- Italian-read and moderate speaking
- German-read

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CAREER EXPERIENCE

1994-1999

Prior to assuming his current position, Dr. Blakely served as Professor of Economic Development in the School of Policy, Planning and Development, University of Southern California. He served for four years (1994-98) as Dean and Lusk Professor of Planning and Development for the School of Urban Planning and Development at the University of Southern California.

1977-1994

Dr. Blakely served as Professor and Chair of the Department of City and Regional Planning at the University of California at Berkeley. Dr. Blakely also served as Co-Director of the Institute of Urban and Regional Development and Executive Director of Oakland-Sharing the Vision and the University-Oakland Metropolitan Forum. He devised the University-Oakland Metropolitan Forum at the University of California at Berkeley, which is the nation's largest and most widely recognized university-community partnership in the nation. He raised 2.1 million annually from primarily private business/corporate sources and foundations to support the Forum. He led a staff of 18 professionals and graduate students in addition to the 20 full time academic staff members.

While at Berkeley he served on several of the most important academic senate committee of the Berkeley Campus including the committee on faculty promotion and advancement as well as the committee on committees that named all other academic senate committee members on the campus. Also he was named to several university-wide committees on budget and academic restructuring.

He served as the Co-Director of the Institute for Urban and Regional Development an organized research unit of the Berkeley campus for urban research. He directed more than \$4 million of faculty organized research in community and economic development.

1977-1983

Dr. Blakely served as Assistant Vice President for Personnel and Planning for the Office of the President of the University of California system. He was responsible for human resource, faculty personnel and retirement policies and some aspects of academic planning for 14,000 academic staff and faculty members on the nine-campus system. He developed the University Personnel budgets, designed the nation's largest faculty housing program. He acted as a lead witness before the State Legislature on the University Budget. He also maintained a regular teaching and research appointment in urban planning that led to several academic awards.

1974-1977

Professor Blakely served as Associate Dean for Applied Economic and Behavioural Sciences of the College of Agriculture at UC Davis. At Davis, he was responsible for the social sciences, design and applied economics of the College of Agriculture as well as for the management of the community development division of the university wide Cooperative Extension. He taught community development and agricultural economics.

1970-1974

Dr. Blakely served as Assistant to the Chancellor of the University of Pittsburgh and as Associate Professor of Public and International Affairs and in the School of Public Health. He was actively involved in developing Pitt's affirmative action program as well as its links with the metropolitan region. He taught regional policy, community education, public health and economic development. He was responsible for overall University budgets planning and legislative presentation strategies.

1968-1970

Dr. Blakely served briefly in the U.S. Foreign Service as Special Assistant to Michael Collins, Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs. In that position, he was primarily responsible for university and college relations, and domestic policy issues related to foreign policy matters.

1964-1968

Dr. Blakely directed Western Community Action Training, Inc., the largest anti-poverty management training and technical assistance organization in the United States. As executive director, he worked with community groups involved in anti-poverty and social welfare efforts throughout the United States, but particularly in the West.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

Planning Institute of Australia member of the national education board

Member of the Advisory Board of GROW Sydney

Chair of the Reference Panel for the Sydney Metropolitan Plan, appointed by Bob Carr in 2004

Board of Directors One Hundred Black Men-Chair of Policy committee cited for outstanding work on New York Mayoral Debates

Board of Directors ITAC (city small business agency to stimulate small and light manufacturing sector in New York City)

Mayor's commission on Housing and Community Development, New York City

City Council Commission on Economic Development New York City

Trustee of the Presidio Trust, appointed by President Bill Clinton in 1997

Board of the Fulbright Commission

Board of Directors of Environmental Science Associates

Advisory Board, Local Initiative Support Coalition of Southern California

Santa Monica Mountains Authority, a board of the State of California to preserve the Santa Monica Mountains for community use and habitat maintenance

Advisory Board, Community Health Councils Project of Los Angeles County

The Nature Conservancy Board of Directors

Presidio Military Base Conversion Commission

Board of Directors of the Head Royce School--served as vice chair and chair of finance for five years--led the school to larger fund raising and budget revision efforts in its 100-year history

Chair of the Board of Directors of the Ecole Bilingue of Berkeley for eight years--the French language school of the East Bay

Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, Panel on Cooperative Action Programme on Local Initiatives for Employment Creation

NASLUG Council on Urban Affairs, UC Berkeley Representative

Ford Foundation Advisory Panel on Community Development

State of California Advisory Panel on Economic Development and Technology

University of California Agricultural Issues Center, Technical Advisory Committee

State of Victoria, Australia, Advisor on Technology and Regional Development

Member of Accreditation Panel, Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning

Member of the Western States College Accrediting Panel

Member of several public and private sector advisory boards

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Listed in [Who's Who in America](#); [Who's Who in the West](#); [Who's Who in California](#); [The Midwest](#); [Social Economists](#); [Educators and Scientists](#)

Civic Service Awards: San Bernardino, California; Richmond, California; Riverside, Calif; City of San Francisco, California; Werribee Shire, Victoria, Australia

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

National Academy of Public Administration Fellow

National Research Council Transportation Research Board Panel on Sustainable Transportation

President and Board Member, Pacific Rim Council on Urban Development

Board Member (1977-79; 1983-85), Community Development Society of America

Board Member (1988-92), American Planning Association

Urban Land Institute, Executive Committee

Lambda Alpha Land Economics Fellow

Fellow, International Society of Social Economists

American Sociological Association

Rural Sociological Association

Fellow, Australian Institute of Urban Affairs

Fellow, Australian and New Zealand Regional Science Association

California Association for Local Economic Development

QUALIFICATIONS

1971: Joint Doctorate, Management and Education, University of California at Los Angeles Education and Economic Development

1967: Master of Management, Pasadena Nazarene College

1964: Master of Arts, History and Development Studies, University of California at Berkeley Latin American Socio-economic Development

1960: Bachelor of Arts, University of California at Riverside History, Political Science & Economics

Certificate in Administration and Management--Foreign Service Institute

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