

**RICHARD CLARENCE BUSH III**

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**April 2020-present: Non-Resident Senior Fellow, The Brookings Institution (retired)**

**July 2018 – March 2020: Senior Fellow, The Brookings Institution**

**Spring 2011: Visiting Professor, University of Hong Kong, Department of Politics and Public Administration**

Taught a course on Taiwan as an issue in U.S.-China relations.

**Fall 2006 – Fall 2011: Visiting Professor, Cornell University, China and Asia-Pacific Studies Program**

Taught a course on contemporary U.S.-China relations to juniors in a specialized major.

**July 2002 – June 2018: Director, Center for Northeast Asian Policy Studies, and Senior Fellow, Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.**

Carries out a program of public outreach, scholarly study, and international exchanges concerning the countries of Northeast Asia.

**September 1997 – June 2002: Chairman of the Board and Managing Director of the American Institute in Taiwan, Washington, D.C.**

Headed the Congressionally authorized and funded organization which since 1979 has conducted unofficial relations with Taiwan on behalf of the United States government and under the direction of the Secretary of State. AIT has a headquarters in Washington, which serves as the point of contact for Taiwan's representatives in the United States, a field office in Taipei, and a sub-office in Kaohsiung.

**July 1995 --September 1997: National Intelligence Officer for East Asia, National Intelligence Council, Washington, D.C.**

Coordinated analysis of East Asia issues within the Intelligence Community and acted as an interface between the Community and policy-makers.

**January 1995 -July 1995: Director for Minority Liaison, Committee on International Relations, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.**

On behalf of Ranking Minority Member Rep. Lee H. Hamilton, facilitated coordination among Democratic Members of the Committee and with the Executive Branch and House leadership. Also advised Chairman Hamilton on China, Japan, Taiwan, and Hong Kong.

**January 1994 -January 1995: Director for Committee Liaison, Committee on Foreign Affairs, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.**

On behalf of Chairman Rep. Lee H. Hamilton, facilitated coordination both within the Foreign Affairs Committee and between it and the Executive Branch and House leadership. Also advised Chairman Hamilton on China, Japan, Taiwan, and Hong Kong.

**January 1993- December 1993: Professional Staff Member, Committee on Foreign Affairs, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.**

Advised Committee Chairman Rep. Lee H. Hamilton on U.S. policy toward the countries of Asia and the Pacific.

**July 1983 -December 1992: Staff Consultant, Subcommittee on Asian and Pacific Affairs, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.**

Provided support on legislation and oversight regarding China, Taiwan, Japan, and Indochina to the Subcommittee Chairman, Rep. Stephen J. Solarz. Also provided staff support to Rep. Solarz concerning U.S. policy on Latin America and the former Soviet Union.

**July 1981- June 1983: Deputy Program Director, China Council of The Asia Society, New York City and Washington, DC.**

Managed a non-profit, public-education program on China, with thirteen affiliates across the country and a comprehensive series of educational materials for general and specialized publics.

**January 1977- July 1981: Program Associate, China Council of The Asia Society, New York City and Washington, DC.**

Coordinated preparation of a range of briefing activities for journalists and educational materials for general audiences.

## ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

### **Columbia University (New York City), Department of Political Science and East Asian Institute.**

Degrees awarded: M.A., December 1973; M.Phil., January 1975; Ph.D., May 1978. Doctoral dissertation focused on the political relationship between the Chinese cotton textile industry and the Kuomintang regime, 1927-37. Fellowships: National Defense Foreign Language Fellowships and Fulbright Fellowship for Dissertation Research Abroad.

### **Lawrence University (Appleton, Wisconsin), Department of Political Science.**

Degree awarded: B.A., June 1969. Honors in course and in independent study; induction into Phi Beta Kappa.

## PUBLICATIONS

“Security Policy,” in *Routledge Handbook of Contemporary Taiwan*, second edition, edited by Gunter Schubert (Routledge, 2025).

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Author of: U.S. Congress, House of Representatives, Committee on Foreign Affairs, “The Political Situation in China: Report of a Staff Study Mission” (Washington, D.C., 1991).

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Editor, *China Briefing*, 1982 (Boulder, CO: Westview Press, 1982).

Co-editor, *China Briefing*, 1981 (Boulder, CO: Westview Press, 1981); contributed article therein on “The Rise of Hu Yaobang.”

Co-editor, *China Briefing*, 1980 (Boulder, CO: Westview Press, 1980); contributed article therein on “Deng Xiaoping: China's Old Man in a Hurry.”

Co-compiler, *The People's Republic of China: A Basic Handbook* (New York: Council on International and Public Affairs, 1979, 1981, 1982, 1984).

### **FOREIGN EXPERIENCE**

Lived in the Philippines (1950-55), Hong Kong (1960-65), and Taiwan (1975).  
Professional travel in Asia, former Soviet Union, South and Central America. In December 1990 and December 1993, undertook a series of lectures in China on the role of Congress in shaping U.S. China policy, coordinated by the American Participants program of USIA.

### **LANGUAGES**

Chinese (spoken and reading) and French (reading).

### **MILITARY SERVICE**

September 1970- April 1972, U.S. Army, Military Police Corps. Served for fourteen months in the Provost Marshall's Office, U.S. Military Academy, West Point, NY.  
Honorable discharge with rank of sergeant.

### **MEMBERSHIPS**

Phi Beta Kappa  
National Committee on U.S.-China Relations

### **AWARDS**

National Intelligence Distinguished Service Medal, June 1998.

### **PERSONAL**

Born November 1947, married, two adult children.