

BRIEF CURRICULUM VITAE

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Family: Wife Joyce E. Ford, daughters Laura Elizabeth (1981) and Sonja Jeanne (1985).

EDUCATION:

- 1993: ISO 9000 Overview, Winona Technical College, Winona, MN. This 3.5 credit course was an overview of ISO 9000 quality standards, history, structure, content and applicability.
- 1992: OCIA/OGBA Inspector Training, Aurora, NE. In addition, I organized this training for OCIA and OGBA.
- 1991: Organic Inspector Training, OCIA, Aurora, NE. Approved for OGBA.
- 1990: Pesticide Applicator Training, Winona County Extension, Winona, MN.
- 1990: Organic Inspector Training, OCIA, Slippery Rock, Pennsylvania. Updated for Processor Inspector at OCIA Annual Meeting, Bismarck, ND. Approved for OGBA.
- 1989: Organic Inspector Training, OGBA and OCIA.
- 1988: Organic Inspector Training, OGBA, Minneapolis, MN. Approved for OCIA.
- 1987: Organic Certifier Training, Organic Growers and Buyers Association (OGBA), Minneapolis, MN.
- 1978: Graduate of Grinnell College, Grinnell, IA; Bachelor of Arts Degrees in Biology and Political Science with Iowa Teaching Certificate, grades 7-12.
- 1974: Graduate of Colfax High School, Colfax, IA. Maytag Foundation Scholarship recipient.

EXPERIENCE:

- 2006-Present: Coordinator for Organic Outreach, University of Minnesota, SWROC, Lamberton, MN.
- 2005-Present: President, Winona County Economic Development Authority, Winona, MN.
- 2004-2005: Chair, National Organic Standards Board, USDA, Washington, DC.
- 2003-2005: Organic Policy Specialist, Rodale's NewFarm.org
- 2003-2004: Endowed Chair in Agricultural Systems, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN.
- 2001-Present: Certifier Representative, National Organic Standards Board, USDA, Washington, DC.
- 2001-2002: Subject Matter Expert, Deere & Co.'s "Go Organic" project, Hoffman Estates, IL.
- 2000-2001: Project Director and Co-author, *IFOAM/IOIA International Organic Inspection Manual*.
- 1999-2002: Chair, Organic Trade Association's Accreditation Committee, Greenfield, MA.
- 1999-2001: Farm, Livestock and Process Inspector, Oregon Tilth Certified Organic, (OTCO), Salem, OR.
- 1997-2002: Member, United States delegation to Codex Commission on Food Labeling, Organic Working Group.
- 1997-2001: Farm, Livestock and Process Inspector, California Certified Organic Farmers, (CCOF), Santa Cruz, CA.
- 1996-2000: IFOAM Accreditation Programme Board member (now International Organic Accreditation Service), Jamestown, ND.
- 1996-Present: Farm, Livestock and Process Inspector, Quality Certification Services (QCS), Gainesville, FL.
- 1994-2001: Farm, Livestock and Process Inspector, Quality Assurance International, San Diego, CA.
- 1993-Present: Lead Trainer, Independent Organic Inspectors Association (IOIA) for Farm/Processor Inspector Trainings in Australia, British Columbia, Costa Rica, Japan, Russia, Quebec, Taiwan, Arkansas, California, Florida, Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, and Wisconsin.
- 1990-Present: Organic Advisory Task Force, Minnesota Department of Agriculture, St. Paul, MN. (Chair 1999-2005)
- 1992-99: Training Manager, Independent Organic Inspectors Association, Winona, MN.
- 1991-95: Founding Chair, Independent Organic Inspectors Association, (IOIA), Winona, MN.
- 1988-2001: Farm, Livestock and Process Inspector, OCIA, Lincoln, NE.

1987-2001: Farm, Livestock and Process Inspector, Organic Growers and Buyers Association (OGBA), Mpls, MN.

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EXPERIENCE (continued):

1987-Present: Co-owner, Organic Independents, Winona, MN. (Organic inspection, consulting, and policy services.)

1987-93: Founding President and Coordinator, Winona Farmers Market Association, Winona, MN.

1987-88: Advisory Committee on Rural Economic Development, Minnesota Project, Canton, MN.

1986-90: Elected Supervisor, Winona County Soil and Water Conservation District, Lewiston, MN.

1984-86: Steering Committee, Land Stewardship Project, Lewiston, MN.

1981-Present: Co-owner, Wiscoy Organic Produce, Winona, MN.

1980: Physics Teacher, Grinnell Junior High School, Grinnell, IA.

1979-80: Senate Aide, Iowa State Senate, Des Moines, IA.

1978: Intern, Iowa House of Representatives, Des Moines, IA.

1977-78: Caretaker, 356 acre Conard Environmental Research Area, Grinnell College, Grinnell, IA.

PUBLICATIONS:

Riddle, James A., *A Constellation of Organic Values*, Numerous other articles, Rodale's www.newfarm.org, 2003-2005.

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