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Short Curriculum Vita

In January 2012 Jonathan Brown formed Buffalo Consulting, to assist colleges and universities in the US and Mexico on a variety of projects. For the prior 20 years he served as President of the Association of Independent California Colleges and Universities. He began there as Vice President in 1975. Earlier in his career he served in a number of political positions including two positions in the White House and also as a staff member of a US Senator, a Member of Congress and the Minority Leader of the California Assembly.

He holds an AB (honors) in International Relations from the University of the Pacific. He completed graduate study at George Washington University (International Relations), Catholic University (Urban Education) and Harvard University (Institute for Educational Management). He holds a DPA from University of Southern California, with specializations in Public Finance and Tax. His dissertation explored the political and economic consequences of simplifying the California personal income tax. It was nominated for dissertation of the year in two fields. He has been awarded three honorary doctorates (Doctor of Letters from California Baptist University and the American Jewish University and Doctor of Business Administration from Woodbury University). Universidad Anáhuac Mexico Sur awarded him *a la Amistad Universal de Todos los Pueblos* in 2006.

Brown has served on numerous boards including United Educators, RRG (where he was founding chair), a specialized insurance company for educational institutions, which is now the largest provider of liability insurance for public and independent colleges and universities; Ed Fund, where he served as chair for five years. During his tenure Ed Fund became the second largest guarantor of student loans at the same time it provided more than \$500 million in benefits to students and institutions; Tuition Plan Incorporated, a \$529 tuition prepayment plan for independent colleges. He is an emeritus director of the California Casualty Indemnity Exchange Board where he served for fifteen years. CCIE is a direct writer of auto and home coverage. He was a congressionally appointed member of the National Commission on College Costs and a member of the NACUBO Task Force on College Costs.

His scholarly interests have included the issues of technology and globalization as well as transparency in governmental systems and governance issues in organizations. He has written and spoken extensively in these areas and on college cost issues. He was an adjunct professor at the University of Southern California and has taught at the business schools of Universidad Anáhuac de Xalapa, Universidad del Mayab and Universidad Anáhuac del Sur.

Brown is married and has two grown children and five grandchildren. His interests include digital photography and bluegrass music and fly fishing.