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I began studying caves and archeology in California in 1963 and worked extensively throughout the southwestern United States and Mexico before joining the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department where I worked for 21 years. I am the Immediate Past President of the Texas Speleological Survey and I am now serving on the board of the Texas Cave Management Association. I am currently the Fundraising Chair for the National Caves and Karst Management Symposium to be held in Texas in late 2021. My last caving trip was in March prior to the COVID quarantine.

I previously served as the President of the Texas Archeological Society, a statewide organization, and am serving on several archeological boards. I am a registered professional archeologist working throughout Texas and New Mexico. I am able to solve problems, listen to other opinions and offer mine to enhance the goals of the NSS.

I support the goals of the NSS and believe I can help lead the organization in COVID times to reach out to a diverse community of cavers for support of cave conservation, research, education, and recreation. I believe in a strong fiscal policy and extreme liberal fellowship.