

BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT

Virginia Hamilton

Virginia Hamilton is the Executive Director of the California Workforce Association (CWA), a nonprofit organization that develops public policy strategies and builds local capacity to address critical workforce issues. The association represents local nonprofits, government, educational institutions, and community based organizations involved in training, education, economic development, social justice and employment. Virginia serves on the Board of Directors of the National Workforce Association, the Institute for Work and the Economy, and the California Space Education and Workforce Institute, and is a prior member of the Board of the California Association for Local Economic Development. She is also a founding member of the EDGE Campaign, a collaborative initiative which recently received substantial funding from California foundations, designed to improve California's public workforce and education systems. Virginia is a native of New York City and lives in Sacramento, California.