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& Former Secret Service

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**Sharon Senecal**

Sharon S. Senecal is currently a private management consultant after retiring from 32 years of Federal Government service in Washington D.C. During the last four years, she had the honor of being the Director of the Western Management Development Center in Denver Colorado. Ms. Senecal was the U.S. Government's worldwide Director of the Federal Women's Program where she worked diligently with White House and U.S. Congressional officials, as well as leaders from other Governmental agencies to direct activities that aided the advancement of women throughout all ranks of Government. She received a Congressional "Excalibur Award" for enhancing the upward movement of women and instituting results-oriented initiatives.

Ms. Senecal began her career working for a senator and then moved to the Executive Branch of the Federal Government. Since Ms. Senecal's Government retirement, she has been designing and conducting training and executive coaching initiatives. She is currently working with the U.S. Department of Education's executive development coaching program and is conducting other leadership seminars. Prior to her Federal career, Ms. Senecal taught at Brigham Young University and Utah State University.

Ms. Senecal is the proud mother of one daughter, five grandchildren, and 14 great grandchildren. She was a single member of the Washington, DC Stake for several years and understands the challenges in finding success and joy in life's journey.



**Wayne Williams**

Wayne grew up in Centerville, Utah on a dairy farm. His father was a farm boy, pure Utah pioneer stock. His mother was a "city girl" from Salt Lake City. Wayne served a mission in Cordoba, Argentina and returned to attend the University of Utah, where he studied Chemical Engineering and Spanish. After graduation, he and his wife moved to California, where he attended the UC Berkeley Graduate School of Business. After college, Wayne worked in finance for 4 years before being recruited by the United States Secret Service. During his 21-year career in the Secret Service, Wayne's posts of duty included; Salt Lake City, Houston, Washington, DC and Los Angeles.

From 1997 – 2003 Wayne served on the Presidential Protective Division under President William J. Clinton and President George W. Bush. In addition to protecting both presidents, he was also assigned twice to the First Lady Detail with Hillary R. Clinton and Laura W. Bush.

Wayne retired from government service in 2011 as the Special Agent in Charge of the Los Angeles Field Office. He is currently employed at Amgen in Thousand Oaks as head of corporate security. Wayne is married and has two children.



**Matt Ball**

Born and raised in the San Francisco Bay Area, Matt Ball has been married for 38 years to Tanya Jean Behunin and is a father of seven children. Growing up, Matt's summers and holiday seasons were spent in Oregon on the family farm as the youngest of six kids. He received his Bachelor's degree in Communications and Theater from Brigham Young University, Provo and a Master of Fine Arts in Screenwriting from the American Film Institute (AFI) in Los Angeles, California. An unexpected introduction to the theater led Matt to a national touring dance company and ultimately being cast as a dancer in the original Paramount pictures movie, "Footloose". Matt eventually found home at Disney Studios and then at DreamWorks studios working on special projects.

Currently, Matt's responsibilities as Director of Public Affairs (over the North America West Area) for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints involves developing relationships with opinion leaders; building bridges with those significant voices and personalities who might help or hinder the LDS Church. His goal is to clarify the LDS Church's public positions, demystify folklore or misunderstood doctrine, and to help introduce the Mormon phenomenon into positive, mainstream awareness. In his spare time, if you don't find Matt with his family, he might be on his road bicycle in the Santa Monica Mountains.



**President & Sister Larsen**

President & Sister Larsen began their service as President and Matron of the Los Angeles Temple in November 2017. Prior to their call as temple president and matron, he and Sister Larsen served in the Los Angeles Temple - President Larsen as a sealer and Sister Larsen as an ordinance worker.

President Larsen grew up in Wyoming on a small farm milking cows, stacking hay, and feeding sheep. For fun he sang with his father and three brothers. He graduated from Brigham Young University after serving a mission in Japan. He retired in 2013 from Unified Grocers where he worked in computer support. Sister Larsen was born in Salt Lake City and moved to Downey California. She attended Utah State University and graduated from BYU. She retired in 2011 after being a Spanish teacher at Downey High School for 23 years. She has directed and accompanied ward and stake choirs.

President & Sister Larsen have been involved in music throughout their lives. They met through music while at Brigham Young University. They have sung with the Southern California Mormon Choir for several years and plan to return when their temple assignment concludes. They have two children and three young grandchildren.