## Charles Jacobs' Bio

Charles is particularly qualified to help retirees find their niche in the complex and confusing world of publishing. A retiree himself, he is able to call upon a wealth of experience in writing and publishing to produce *The Writer Within You* and create the *Retirement-Writing* program.

More than 50 years ago he helped put himself through Columbia College and earn a Master's Degree at Columbia's famed Pulitzer Graduate School of Journalism by working as a stringer and reporter for the New York Journal American.

During the course of his journalistic career, he rose to the position of Publisher/President of the Alameda Newspaper Group in the San Francisco region, and served as Publisher of the North Jersey Herald & News and Editor-in-Chief of Focus, a million circulation magazine. He has consulted for a variety of magazines and newspapers.

Charles has published more than 750 articles in magazines and newspapers, spanning the country from the *Los Angeles Times* on the West Coast to the *New York Times* in the East and in Canada. He has ghost written several books and published a novel *Blood Bond*.

His writing has been honored with numerous awards from the Society of Professional Journalists, Working Press Association, the New Jersey Press Club and the North American Travel Journalists Association.

Publications throughout the United States and in Canada have carried his travel articles, and he has written for Grand Circle Travel and Overseas Adventure Travel. Charles has also served as Editor-in-Chief of *Travel World International*.

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