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Dr. Crosswait previously worked as a director in the Department of Homeland Security, as a professional staff member on the Senate Armed Services Committee, and in the Office of the Secretary of Defense's Program Analysis and Evaluation office. He also worked as a contractor at TRW, and his first job was as a naval officer in the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program.

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