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Ann Griffin Macfarlane studied Russian and Ancient Greek at the University of California, Santa Cruz. She was awarded a Marshall Scholarship by the British government to earn a B.A./M.A. degree from Cambridge University, England. She began her career as a diplomat in the U.S. Foreign Service. Fluent in Urdu, Ann served in Lahore, Pakistan and on the Bangladesh desk of the State Department before becoming the first woman staff assistant in the Near East South Asia Bureau. In that position she supported Henry Kissinger's shuttle diplomacy in the Middle East and supervised the flow of reporting and memoranda for other hot spots in the region.

After study at the Army Russian Institute in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Ann married fellow Foreign Service Officer Lew Macfarlane. She served on the Soviet desk before resigning her commission to devote herself to their family in the Congo, Tanzania, and Kathmandu.

The Macfarlanes returned to Seattle, Lew's native city, with their three sons. Ann became a professional translator and was elected President of the American Translators Association. She then served as Executive Director of the National Association of Judiciary Interpreters and Translators before becoming a partner with Andrew Estep as an owner of ERGA, Inc., an association management company, from 2007 to 2014.

Ann and Andrew developed "Jurassic Parliament" as a way of helping people run productive meetings. Their approach makes Robert's Rules of Order understandable, enjoyable, and easy to learn. They published *Mastering Council Meetings: A guidebook for elected officials and local governments* in 2013.

Education and Credentials:

- Professional Registered Parliamentarian, National Association of Parliamentarians
- Certificate in Nonprofit Management, University of Washington
- U.S. Army Russian Institute Certificate, Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany
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- Marshall Scholarship, Her Majesty's Government, United Kingdom
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