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Almendares Bonilla was born in the Medina neighborhood of San Pedro Sula, Cortés, on August 14, 1939 and is a doctor of medicine and surgery, a degree obtained at UNAH 1958-1965.

He has a diploma from the University of California, "Cardiovascular Reserarch Institut e", for studies carried out in Biochemistry and Physiology, USA., 1966-1967; Diploma from the University of Pennsylvania, "Division of Graduates of the School of Medicine for studies in Physiology", USA., 1967-1968.

Diploma and Credits for having participated in the II International Membrane Biophysics Cours e, conducted by the Biophysical Radiation department of the University of Rochester, sponsored b y the International Organization for Cell Research and by the International Union of Pure an d Applied Biophysics, August 1969.

Obtaining a Master of Science degree, University of Pennsylvania, USA, 1970, PhD student in the area of Ecology, Health and Development at UNAH 2003.

Practitioner at the "El Carmen" Health House, Tegucigalpa, Honduras 1962, practition er at the "San Felipe" General Hospital, Tegucigalpa, Honduras 1963. Doctor for emergency night service at the "San Felipe" General Hospital in 1966; associate physician of the Departmen t of Internal Medicine at the Hospital "San Felipe", in the ad-honoren position.

Head of the Internal Medicine Room of the General Hospital "San Felipe", coordinator of the Scientific Committee of the Department of Internal Medicine; Deputy Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Faculty of Medical Sciences in 1970.

Secretary of the board of directors of the Medical College of Honduras in 1971, coordinator of the II Congress of Students and Professionals of the Faculty of Medical Sciences in 1974.

Member of the program coordination commission of the University Center for General Studies and Faculty of Medical Sciences of UNAH in 1971, dean of the Faculty of Medical Sciences 1973-1976, member of the evaluation commission of the Faculty of Medical Sciences in 1978.

He was president of the Society of Internal Medicine of Honduras, 1978-1979 and he was rector of the UNAH, a position that he assumed in July 1979 to date, among other positions.

Executive Director of the Center for the Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation of Victims of Torture and Their Families (CPTRT), 1995-1998, visiting professor, at Madison Wisconsin School of Medicine (September - December 1997). member of Friends of the Earth International and Latin America.

## PUBLISHED BOOKS

Fight for Peace and Culture. Central American University Publishing House, San José, Costa Rica. Coauthor of several books published in English on Tobacco and Ecology and even one of them by the WHO, multiple articles in scientific journals in English and articles in international conferences and events.

## Columnist of Diario Tiempo

Book of Poems The web of Life Author Juan Almendares In the process of publication: three books, one on stories, other essays and another on the epistolary genre.

In the process of publishing a book on Mining International speaker in Europe and the United States, Latin America, Africa and Asia on different topics in health, human rights and ecology.

In the literary field some of my poems, stories and writings have been translated into French, German, English and Danish. More than 80 unpublished poems, more than twenty stories and more than 300 articles published in Honduras, United States

## **RECEIVED AWARDS**

Annual Prize of the School of Medicine, during the years 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963 and 1964.

Gold Medal, awarded by the Honduran Medical Association. 1965.

Winner of the Squibb Scholarship for Central America and Panama for three years: 1966-1969.

Parchment of the Federation of University Students of Honduras (FEUH), in recognition of their collaboration with the activities of that Federation. July 1973.

Parchment of Honor, awarded by the Association of Students of Medicine and Surgery of Honduras (AEMCH). August 1979.

Tribute paid by the Department of Natural Sciences and the Science Club of the San José del Carmen Institute in recognition of the contribution in the development of Sciences in Honduras. July 29, 1980.

Tribute paid by the Pilot Center of Natural Sciences of the Instituto Mixto Hibueras in recognition of the contribution in the development of Sciences in Honduras. November 1980

National Science Award "José Cecilio del Valle", awarded by the Government of Honduras. November 1980.

Gold Medal, awarded by the World Peace Council for his imminent contribution to the cause of Peace and Friendship among peoples. 1980.

Human Rights Award for humanitarian activity National Commissioner for Human Rights Chaired by Dr. Leo Valladares

Recognition from the Pan American Federation of Medical Schools of the American continent including the United States and Canada. Distinction awarded to three professionals from that continent.