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- Residential Research Fellowship, Gilder Lehman Center for the Study of Slavery, Abolition, and Resistance, Yale University, 2006.
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- ACLS/American National Biography Writing Fellowship, 1995-96.
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