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Born in Caracas, Venezuela, Dr. Núñez has had ample international experience throughout his life. Before coming to the USA for his higher education, he lived and studied in Spain, Perú, Venezuela, and Evanston, Ill. From 1979 to 1983 he worked for **General Electric Co**, where he was **Manager of Organization and Manpower Operations in the Andean Countries Business Division** and responsible for the company's activities in Venezuela, Colombia, Ecuador, Perú, and Bolivia.

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