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## Education:

Ph.D.	University of Maryland, College Park	1983
M.A.	University of Maryland, College Park	1979
B.A.	The Ohio State University	1976

## Present Position:

I am Associate Professor of Political Science and Public Policy and Public Administration, George Washington University. My teaching and research interests are in the fields of policy analysis, policy implementation, and social welfare policy. My current research focuses on tax and social policies that support the working poor and urban empowerment zones.

## Publications:

### Books and Monographs

*Reluctant Partners: Implementing Federal Policy*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania: University of Pittsburgh Press, 1991.

"Evaluation of Foreign Policy," *Monograph Series on World Affairs*, Vol. 18, Book 3, 1981, with Davis Bobrow.

### Journal Articles

"Welfare Bureaus as Moral Tutors: What Do Clients Learn from Paternalistic Welfare Reforms?" *Social Science Quarterly*, Vol. 80, Number 3, September 1999, with Laura Wilson and Dennis McGrath.

"Verifying Compliance: Social Regulation and Welfare Reform," *Public Administration Review*, Vol. 58, Number 5, September/October 1998, with Laura Wilson.

- "Paternalistic Welfare Reform: Behavioral Models and Client Perceptions," *Journal of Health and Human Services Administration*, Vol. 20, Number 1, Summer 1997, with Laura Wilson-Gentry, Larry Thomas, and Grace Clark.
- "Policy Design and Implementation Effectiveness: Structural Change in a County Court System," *Policy Studies Journal*, vol. 20, No. 3, 1992, with Ronald Lippincott.
- "A Regime Framework for Implementation Analysis: Cooperation and Reconciliation of Federalist Imperatives," *Policy Studies Review*, vol. 9, No. 1, 1989.
- "Employee Inefficacy in Selected Client Serving Bureaucracies," *Journal of Urban Affairs*, Vol. 6, No. 3, Summer 1984, with Clarence Stone.
- "Economic Issues and National Security," *The Journal of International Studies*. Issue No. 12, January 1984, with Davis Bobrow.
- "Work Autonomy and Job Dissatisfaction Among Urban Service Employees," *Urban Interest*. Vol. 3, No. 2, Fall 1981, with Clarence Stone.
- "Accountability Initiatives and Accountability Constraints: Bargaining Between the U.S. and the N.I.E.O.," *The Jerusalem Journal of International Relations*. Vol. 5, No. 1, 1980, with Davis Bobrow and Robert Kudrle.

#### Book Chapters

- "Managing Partners: Performance Based Contracting in Baltimore's Empowerment Zone." In *Participatory Governance: Planning, Conflict Mediation and Public Decision-Making in Civil Society*, edited by W. Robert Lovan, Michael Murray, and Ron Shaffer. (Hampshire, England: Ashgate Publishing, 2004).
- "Who is Empowered? Innovative Governance in Baltimore's Empowerment Zone." In *Innovation and Entrepreneurship in State and Local Government*, edited by Michael Harris and Rhonda Kinney. (Lanham, Maryland: Lexington Books, 2003).
- "Is Federal Welfare Reform Helping or Hurting Poor Families?" In *Feuds about Families: Conservative, Centrist, Liberal, and Feminist Perspectives*, edited by Nijole V. Benokraitis. (Upper Saddle River, New Jersey: Prentice Hall, 2000), with Laura Wilson.
- "Baltimore: The Self-Evaluating City?" In *The Politics of Urban Development*, edited by Clarence Stone and Heywood Sanders (Lawrence, Kansas: University Press of Kansas, 1987).

## Other Publications

“The Politics of Quasi-Government: Hybrid Organizations and the Dynamics of Bureaucratic Control by Jonathan G.S. Koppell.” (book review) *Perspectives on Politics*, Vol. 2, No. 3, September 2004.

“Racing Up to the Bottom: Work and Welfare in the U.S.” Working Paper 001, George Washington Institute of Public Policy: Washington D.C., March 2003, with Laura Wilson.

"Representative Sampling and Welfare Reform Experiments," Proceedings of the 1995 Annual Conference of the National Association of Welfare Research and Statistics, with Dennis McGrath.

"The Budget-Maximizing Bureaucrat: Appraisals and Evidence by Andre Blais and Stephane Dion, eds." (book review) *Governance*. April 1993.

"An Ounce of Prevention: Child Health Politics under Medicaid by Anne-Marie Foltz," (book review) *The Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law*, Vol. 9, No. 2, Summer 1984.

### **Honors and Awards:**

Policy Research Scholar, George Washington Institute for Public Policy, (a competitive award for research support), George Washington University, 2001.

Dilthey Award, (a competitive award for summer support for inter-disciplinary research), George Washington University, 2000.

Summer Fellow in Public Policy, (a competitive award for summer support for policy oriented research), Graduate Institute for Public Policy Research, George Washington University.

Junior Scholar Incentive Award, Columbian College, George Washington University.

Graduate Assistantship, Department of Government and Politics, University of Maryland, 1976-1980.

Outstanding Graduating Senior (one of ten), 1976, The Ohio State University.

President of Senior Honorary Society, 1975-76, The Ohio State University.

University Honorary Society Membership, 1973-1976, The Ohio State University.

## **Professional Activities:**

I presented a paper titled "Rethinking Corporate Governance: Strong Democracy in Baltimore's Empowerment Zone?" at the International Political Science Association, Structure of Government Conference, Washington, D.C., May 2003.

I participated in a roundtable titled "The War on Terror and the Transformation of American Democracy," as part of the conference titled "Is There a Crisis in U.S. Foreign Relations," George Washington University, Washington, D.C., September 26, 2002.

I participated in a roundtable discussion on government contracting at the "Policy Tools and Government Performance" conference in Washington D.C., spring 2002.

I presented the results of the HUD sponsored interim evaluation of the Empowerment Zone and Enterprise Community initiative to the Board of Directors of the Empower Baltimore Management Corporation, March 2002.

I presented a paper entitled "Empower Baltimore? \$100 Million Is Not A Lot of Money" at the 2001 Annual Meeting of the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management in Washington, D.C.

I participated in a roundtable discussion on the "State Implementation Theory" at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association held in Seattle, Washington, March 1999.

I presented a paper titled "Redefining Dependency: How Welfare Reform has Changed the Welfare System" at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association held in Seattle, Washington, March 1999 with Laura Wilson.

I participated in a conference on "New Governance at the Millennium: Transforming Public Sector Decision-Making" held in Baltimore, Maryland, August 1998.

I participated in a panel discussion on "Empowerment Zones" at the 1997 meeting of the Association for Policy Analysis and Management in Washington, D.C. I reported my field research related to implementation issues in Baltimore, Maryland's Empowerment Zone.

I presented a paper to the 1997 meeting of the Southwest Political Science Association titled "Understanding Behaviorally-Based Welfare Reform: A Comparison of Case Histories and Survey," with Laura Wilson and Dennis McGrath.

I presented a paper to a symposium on welfare policy sponsored by The George Washington University's Women's Studies Program titled "The Goals of Welfare Reform and How They are Displaced," with Laura Wilson.

I presented a paper to the 1995 Annual Conference of the National Association of Welfare Research and Statistics titled "Representative Sampling and Welfare Reform Experiments," with Dennis McGrath.

I presented a paper to the 1994 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association titled "Variation in State Responses to Federal Political Controls: An Examination of the National School Lunch Program," with Susan Wiley.

I presented a paper to the 1993 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association titled "State Responses to Changing Federal Priorities: An Examination of the National School Lunch Program," with Susan Wiley.

I participated in a roundtable discussion of the implementation of the Americans with Disability Act at the 1993 annual meeting of the Association for Policy Analysis and Management.

I organized a panel for the 1987 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association titled "New Ideas for Implementation Analysis."

I presented a paper to the 1987 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association titled "Macro-Implementation Revisited: Case Study of the Implementation Regime, an Agenda for Third Generation Research."

I presented a paper with Ron Lippincott at the 1986 Annual Meeting of Law and Society titled "Implementing Structural Reform: A Regime Interpretation of Reform in the Criminal Courts of Hudson County New Jersey."

I presented a paper to the 1984 meeting of the American Society for Public Administration, Region IV, titled "Conflict and the Analysis of Intergovernmental Policy Failure."

I presented a paper to the 1984 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association titled "Public Administration in the Implementation Process: The Requisites of Effective Administration."

I presented a paper to the 1983 Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association titled "Policy Management During Implementation: The Limits of Overhead Control in an Interdependent Environment."

### **Employment History:**

1985 to present: I have been a member of the faculty of the Political Science Department, Columbian College of Arts and Sciences, George Washington University, Washington D.C.

1993-2002: I served as Associate Director of the Graduate Program in Public Policy, George Washington University.

1997 to 2001: I was a Local Research Affiliate for the HUD-sponsored evaluation of Baltimore's Empowerment Zone. As a consultant to Abt Associates, Inc., I planned and implemented the local research design to evaluate Baltimore's Empowerment Zone initiatives for HUD's Interim Outcome Evaluation.

1998-1999: I was Acting Director of the Graduate Program in Public Policy, George Washington University. As Acting Director I was responsible for a graduate education program that served more than fifty Ph.D. and Masters students in public policy.

1996-1997: I was a Field Associate for the Rockefeller Center for Public Policy Research, State University of New York, Albany. In that capacity, I planned and executed fieldwork for an evaluation of urban re-development policy in Baltimore's Empowerment Zone.

1993-1997: I was Senior Research Associate, Schaefer Center for Public Policy Research, University of Baltimore. I participated in the evaluation of Maryland's Primary Prevention Initiative, a welfare waiver program. I designed, supervised, and conducted evaluation research.

1992-1993: I served as Director of the Undergraduate Program, Political Science Department, George Washington University.

1985-1986: I was a Research Associate at the Institute for Economic and Policy Studies, Alexandria, Virginia. As a consultant to the New Jersey Judicial Structure Project, funded by the National Institute for Justice, I organized, supervised, and conducted field research and co-authored research reports.

1985: I was a Consultant to the Department of Fiscal Services, State of Maryland. I provided instruction to fiscal analysts and staff of legislative committees regarding methods and techniques of policy analysis and supervised the development of research projects presented to the Maryland General Assembly.

1982-1985: I was Assistant Professor, Department of Government and Public Administration, University of Baltimore.

1981-1982: I was Instructor, Department of Government and Politics, University of Maryland.

1980: I was a Consultant to the National Conference of State Legislatures, Indian Education Project. I prepared research reports on staff cost adjustments and regional cost differences used to develop regulations for disbursement of funds to federally operated and sponsored Indian schools.

1979-1980: I was a Management Assistant in the Executive Office of the President of the United States. As assistant to Amitai Etzioni, Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Administration, I prepared research reports on domestic policy issues and information management.