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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Public Finance (especially Tax Policy and Tax Administration), Energy and Environmental Policy, Economics of Information, Budget Policy, Applied Microeconomics

## EDUCATION

1980 - 1985 **Graduate School of Business, Stanford University,** Ph.D. awarded winter of 1986.
Major Field: Economics, Business, and Public Policy
Dissertation titled: *Three Essays on Income Tax Progressivity.*
M.A. in Economics awarded Spring 1983.

1974 - 1978 **Michigan State University,** B.S., Financial Administration.

## ACADEMIC HONORS

1988 recipient of Emil Linbach Teaching Award at Carnegie-Mellon University.
Various fellowships while at Stanford Graduate School of Business.
Honors College Program at Michigan State University.

## EMPLOYMENT

2017 – Present Robert C. Pozen Director, Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center.
Responsible for managing staff of more than 25 tax policy experts, securing funds to support the activities of the Center while maintaining its non-partisan nature, responding to media inquiries, and engaging in various self-directed research projects.

2012-2017 Assistant Secretary for Tax Policy, Department of the Treasury.
Responsible for all aspects of tax policy development and implementation for the Treasury Department. Advise the Secretary of the Treasury and other Administration officials on legislative and administrative tax policy options. Manage a staff of over 100, primarily attorneys and economists.

2009-2012 Deputy Assistant Secretary for Tax Analysis, Office of Tax Policy, Department of the Treasury. Responsible for directing analysis and revenue estimates for tax proposals under consideration by the Administration and for conveying results to senior policymakers in Treasury and the Administration. Managed staff of 50 economists.

2001-2009 Director of Research, Analysis, and Statistics, Internal Revenue Service. Responsible for staff of approximately 340, covering many areas of tax compliance research and statistical analysis. Member of IRS Senior Executive team. Received Presidential Rank Award for Meritorious Service in 2008.

2000 - 2001 Acting Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy. Responsible for staff of approximately 350, including experts on all sources of energy, covering the entire range of energy demand and supply forecasting and analysis.

1999 - 2000 Director, Office of Policy, and Chief Economist, U.S. Department of Energy. Responsible for staff of over 40 (primarily PhDs), covering a wide range of energy issues. The Office of Policy advised the Secretary of Energy and Senior Management on energy and technology policy issues, including the environmental consequences of energy use, and conducted wide-ranging policy analyses.

1997 - 1999 Senior Policy Advisor to the Secretary and Chief Economist, U.S. Department of Energy. Areas of responsibility included: climate change, energy resources (oil, natural gas, coal, renewable energy, nuclear energy), developing and implementing a comprehensive national energy strategy, and economic analysis of various energy/environmental issues.

1995 - 1997 Senior Director to the National Economic Council, White House Office of Policy Development. Areas of responsibility included: tax and budget policy, health policy, energy policy, climate change, economic development, and general economic analysis.

1993 - 1995 Senior Economist in Public Finance at the Council of Economic Advisers, Executive Office of the President. Areas of responsibility included: tax and budget policy, health policy, energy policy, infrastructure investment policy, and other areas of applied microeconomics.

1989 - 1993 Staff Economist at Joint Committee on Taxation, U.S. Congress.
Responsible for analysis of economic effects of wide range of tax legislation; also helped develop tax proposals and draft legislation.

1985-1989 Assistant Professor of Public Finance and Economics, School of Urban and Public Affairs, Carnegie-Mellon University. Conducted research in economics, supervised graduate students in course work and thesis preparation, and taught courses in Public Economics and Finance.

1980 - 1985 Research Assistantships at Stanford Graduate School of Business and National Bureau of Economic Research.

1978 - 1980 General Motors Corporation. Tax analyst in Domestic and International Tax Groups.

**PUBLICATIONS**

"Luck and Tax Policy", Larry Woodworth Memorial Lecture presented in 2017, published in Ohio Northern University Law Review, Vol. 44, 2019.

"A Preliminary Assessment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017" (co-authored with William Gale, Hilary Gelfond, Aaron Krupkin, and Eric Toder), *National Tax Association Annual Research Conference Proceedings,* December 2018.

"The Relationship between Bank Products and Individual Taxpayer Compliance" (co-authored with Karen Masken, Joanne Miekle, and Roy Nord), *National Tax Association Annual Research Conference Proceedings,* November 2008.

"Understanding the Tax Gap" (co-authored with Alan Plumley), *National Tax Journal,* September 2007.

"IRS Data, Data Users, and Data Sharing" (co-authored with Nick Greenia), in Improving Business Statistics through Interagency Data Sharing: Summary of a Workshop, National Academies Press, 2006.

"The National Research Program: Measuring Taxpayer Compliance Comprehensively" (coauthored with Robert E. Brown), *University of Kansas Law Review,* December 2003.

"IRS's Comprehensive Approach to Compliance Measurement" (co-authored with Robert E. Brown), *National Tax Journal,* September 2003.

"Taxation of Energy" (co-authored with Thomas Barthold), entry in MacMillan Encyclopedia of Energy, McGraw-Hill Publishing, 2001.

"Evaluating the Relative Efficiency of Baseball Players," in Data Envelopment Analysis: Theory. Methodology. and Application, edited by A. Charnes, W.W. Cooper, A. Lewin, and L. Seiford, Kluwer Academic Publishers, 1995.

"Improving the Delivery of Benefits to the Working Poor: Proposals to Reform the Earned Income Tax Credit Program" (co-authored with George Yin, John Karl Scholz, and Jonathan Forman), *American Journal of Tax Policy,* Fall 1994.

"Designing Tax Policy to Meet Environmental Goals," published as remarks in U.S. Environmental Policy and Economic Growth, American Council on Capital Formation Monograph, 1992.

"Expert Intermediaries and Legal Compliance: The Case of Tax Preparers" (co-authored with Steven Klepper and Daniel Nagin), *Journal of Law and Economics,* April 1991.

"Testing the Optimality of a Performance Evaluation Measure for a Gainsharing Contract" (coauthored with Rajiv Banker and Srikant Datar), *Contemporary Accounting Research,* Spring 1990.

"Optimal Linear Taxation with Stochastic Incomes," *Public Finance/Finances Publiques,* Winter, 1989.

"The Rich, the Poor, and the Taxes They Pay: An Update" (co-authored with Joseph Pechman), *The Public Interest,* Fall 1984.