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**PRESENT POSITION:**

Professor (since 1988)  
Department of Economics  
Queens College and the Graduate Center  
City University of New York  
(member of the Queens College faculty since 1974)

Teaching fields: microeconomics; urban economics; urban public finance;  
housing economics and public policy, political economy of New York City  
(for CUNY Honors College)

**EDUCATION:**

B.A. in Mathematics, University of Pennsylvania, 1966, *cum laude*  
Phi Beta Kappa 1966

Ph.D. in Economics, University of Pennsylvania, 1972  
N.D.E.A. Fellowship, 1966-69

**PREVIOUS PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS/ACTIVITIES:**

1994-2001 Director, Office of Honors and Scholarships, Queens College

1979-81 Deputy Assistant Secretary for Economic Affairs  
(Chief Economist)  
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development  
Washington, D.C.  
(on leave from Queens College)

1977-78 Brookings Economic Policy Fellow  
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development  
Washington, D.C. 20410  
(on leave from Queens College)

1972-74 Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, and  
Study Director, Institute for Social Research  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:**

1987-90 Public Member, Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board

- 1986-87 Research Director, Subcommittee on Housing  
New York State Governor's Council on Fiscal and Economic Priorities  
(released time from Queens College)
- 1985-88 Committee on New York City  
Social Science Research Council
- 1983-84 Advisor to the Mayor's Commission on Property Tax Incentives for  
Industrial and Commercial Development City of New York
- 1981-6 Editorial Board, *Land Economics*
- 1978-81 Editorial Board, *Evaluation Quarterly*

**FELLOWSHIPS:**

- 1992-93 American Council on Education Fellowship  
Sarah Lawrence College
- 1982 U.S. German Marshall Fund Fellow  
Visitor to London School of Economics  
"Housing Finance and Housing Policy in  
the U.S. and Britain" (February 1982 -January 1983)
- 1977-78 Brookings Economic Policy Fellow  
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
- 1966-69 National Defense Education Act Fellowship (graduate studies)

**AWARDS, GRANTS, AND OTHER FELLOWSHIPS:**

- 2003 Inaugural Fellow, Steven L. Newman Real Estate Research Institute, Baruch College
- 2000 Performance Excellence Award
- 2000 President's Multi-Cultural Award  
(both received for efforts as director of the Office of Honors and Scholarships)
- 1996-97 Professional Staff Congress - CUNY Research Award
- 1989 Presidential Research Award, Queens College
- 1988 Robert F. Wagner, Sr., Institute of Urban Public Policy, City University of New York  
"Housing a Great City: The Predicament of New York"
- 1986-88 Professional Staff Congress - CUNY Research Award  
"Microeconomic Aspects of Macroeconomic Changes in the Housing Market"

- 1987 Faculty-in-Residence Award  
Queens College
- 1986-87 Columbia University Seminar on Comparative Social Policy, Ford Foundation Project  
on the Future of the Welfare State, "Housing and the Welfare State in the United States and  
Western Europe"
- 1984 Faculty-in-Residence Award  
Queens College, Fall  
"British and U.S. Housing Policy"
- 1983 Mellon Faculty Development Fellowship  
(to teach housing policy in Urban Studies Department)
- 1979 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development  
Research Grant  
"The Future of Rental Housing"  
(transferred to Queens College colleagues  
because of my appointment as HUD  
Deputy Assistant Secretary in 1980)
- 1979 Mellon Faculty Development Fellowship  
(to develop and teach a housing policy course for the Urban Studies Department)
- 1976-77 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban  
Development Research Grant  
"The Removal of Rent Regulation in New York City"
- 1975-76 Faculty Research Award  
Research Foundation of C.U.N.Y.  
"Short-run Estimates of the Income Elasticity of Housing Demand"

**SERVICE TO THE COLLEGE (selected):**

- 2007 (fall) Departmental Personnel and Budget Committee
- 2007 (fall) Phi Beta Kappa Committee on Members-in-Course
- 1983-2001 Departmental Personnel and Budget Committee (except for years or semesters on leave)
- 1996 Retrenchment Committee
- 1994 Chair, Task Force on Financial and Physical Resources  
College Self-Study for Middle States Review
- 1991-92 Chair, Subcommittee on Honorary Degrees, Committee on Honors and Awards
- 1977-88, 1990-92 Committee on Honors and Awards

1985-6 Chancellor's Ad Hoc Committee on Budget Flexibility

1984-86 Phi Beta Kappa Committee on Members-in-Course

1985 Faculty Presidential Search Committee

## **PUBLICATIONS:**

- 2006 "Some Thoughts on Taxes and Economic Development," in The Future of New York: An International Perspective, special issue of Properties (Review of the Steven L. Newman Real Estate Institute, Baruch College, CUNY), Spring, 129-136.
- 2002 "Understanding the Economic Impacts of 9/11," in Between Expedience and Deliberation: Decision-Making for Post-9/11 New York, special issue of Properties, (Review of the Steven L. Newman Real Estate Institute, Baruch College, CUNY), April, 83-108.
- 1998 "Housing Subsidies in Industrialized Nations: History and Issues," in Encyclopedia of Housing, Willem van Vliet, Editor, Sage Publications (with E. Jay Howenstine).
- 1992 "Rent Regulation in New York City: Simulating Decontrol Options," Journal of Housing Economics, 2: 107-138.
- 1990 "Housing Policy and Housing Finance in the United States: The Legacy of the Reagan Era," in The Changing Role of Government in Housing, edited by Willem van Vliet and Jan Van Weesep, Sage Publications, Newbury Park, California.
- 1988 "The New York City Taxicab Industry: What Price Medallions?" City Almanac.
- 1987 "Housing and the Welfare State in the United States and Western Europe," The Netherlands Journal of Housing and Environmental Research, 143-175.
- 1987 "A Modest Proposal: A Refundable Tax Credit for Low-Income Housing," in Housing America's Poor, edited by Peter Salins. University of North Carolina Press, Chapel Hill, 162-174.
- 1987 "The Rise of Competitive Mortgage Markets in the United States and Britain," in Housing Markets and Policies Under Conditions of Fiscal Austerity, edited by Willem van Vliet, Greenwood Press, Westport, Ct., 91-110.
- 1986 "Raising the Taxi Fare Is No Solution," New York Times, August 16, 1986, p. 23 (Op\_Ed).
- 1985 "Selling Public Housing: Should We Try? Who Will Buy? Lessons from Britain," Housing Act of 1985, Hearings Before the Subcommittee on Housing and Community Development of the Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs, U.S. House of Representatives, Serial No. 99\_9 (Washington, D.C.: Government Printing Office) 3023-3036.
- 1984 "Adjustable Rate Mayhem?" Barron's, April 23.

- 1984 "Adjustable Rate Mortgages: Lessons From Canada and Britain," in Adjustable Rate Mortgages, Hearings Before the Subcommittee on Housing and Community Development of the Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs, U.S. House of Representatives, Serial No. 98-114 (Washington, D.C.: Government Printing Office) 203-219.
- 1984 "A Tale of Two Conservatives: Housing Policy Under Reagan and Thatcher," Journal of the American Planning Association, Vol. 50, No. 4 (Autumn) 485-492.
- 1981 Rental Housing: Is There a Crisis?, edited by John Weicher, Kevin Villani, and Elizabeth Roistacher (Washington, D.C.: The Urban Institute) 113 pages.
- 1981 Chapter 1, "Introduction" (by Roistacher) in Rental Housing: Is there a Crisis?, edited by John Weicher, Kevin Villani, and Elizabeth Roistacher (Washington, D.C.: The Urban Institute) 1-10.
- 1980 "Housing Policy," (with Emanuel Tobier), in Setting Municipal Priorities, 1981, edited by Charles Brecher and Raymond Horton (Montclair, N.J.: Allenheld and Osmun), 145-180.
- 1984 The above reprinted in Setting Municipal Priorities: American Cities and the New York Experience, edited by Charles Brecher and Raymond Horton (New York: New York University Press) 446-481.
- 1980 "Working Women and City Structure: The Subtle Revolution"(with Janet Spratlin Young), Signs, Vol 5, No. 3 (Spring) S220-225.
- 1981 The above reprinted in Women and the American City, edited by Catherine Stimson, et al. (Chicago: University of Chicago Press) 217-222.
- 1980 "The Urban Impacts of HUD's Urban Development Action Grant Program, or, Where's the Action in Action Grants?" (with Susan Jacobs), in The Urban Impacts of Federal Policies, edited by Norman J. Glickman (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press) 335-363.
- 1979 "Two-Earner Families in the Housing Market" (with Janet Spratlin), Policy Studies Journal, Volume 8, No. 2, 227-240.
- 1980 The above reprinted in Housing Policy in the 1980's, edited by Roger Montgomery and Dale Marshall (Lexington, Mass.: Lexington Books, D.C. Heath and Company) 51-65.
- 1977 "Short-run Housing Responses to Changes in Income," American Economic Review, Vol. 67, No. 1 (February) 381-6.
- 1977 "Multiplier Analysis of Local Economies," in Methods of Housing Analysis, edited by James Hughes (New Brunswick, N.J.: Center for Urban Policy Research, Rutgers University) 268-273.
- 1976 "Race and Homeownership: Is Discrimination Disappearing?" (with John L. Goodman, Jr.), Economic Inquiry, Vol. 14, No. 1 (March) 59-70.
- 1976 Tax Subsidies and Housing Investment (New Brunswick, N.J.: Center for Urban Policy Research, Rutgers University) 76 pages. (With George Sternlieb and James Hughes; Roistacher is principal author.)

## **RESEARCH REPORTS:**

- 2007 "Do Taxes Matter?" Citizens Budget Commission, New York City
- 1998 The Media and Communications Industries in New York City, (with Charles Brecher and Sheila Spiezio), Citizens Budget Commission, New York City, December.
- 1995 Professional Business Services in the New York City Economy, (with Charles Brecher and Sheila Spiezio), Citizens Budget Commission, July.
- 1992 A Plan for State Assumption of Local Income Maintenance and Medicaid Costs, Citizens Budget Commission, May.
- 1991 Reforming Residential Rent Regulations, Citizens Budget Commission, February.
- 1982 "The Pricing of Taxicab Medallions in New York City," (with Lawrence J. White). The City of New York in Consultants' Studies and Staff Studies, Mayor's Committee on Taxi Regulatory Issues, 84 pages.
- 1981 Mayor's Committee on Taxi Regulatory Issues: Preliminary Issues Paper (with Richard B. Smith), City of New York, 125 pages.
- 1977 The Removal of Rent Regulation in New York City, Report to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 133 pages.
- 1974 Charitable Contributions, Property Taxes and Itemization on Federal Tax Returns: A Final Report from a National Survey (with James N. Morgan), Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan. Prepared for the U.S. Department of the Treasury, 115 pages
- 1976 Memorandum on Rent Control. Rental Accommodations Act of 1975, Hearing and Disposition before the Subcommittee on Commerce, Housing, and Transportation of the Committee on the District of Columbia, House of Representatives, Serial No.94-10 (Washington, D.C.: Government Printing Office), 556-57.

## **TESTIMONY PRESENTED:**

- 1989 Testimony before the New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission on Fare Increase
- 1989 Testimony before the New York City Charter Revision Commission on Restructuring the Taxi and Limousine Commission
- 1985 "Selling Public Housing: Should We Try? Who Will Buy? Lessons from Britain," presented before the Subcommittee on Housing and Community Development of the Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs, U.S. House of Representatives, March 14.
- 1984 "Statement on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement of Proposed Changes in New York City Taxi Regulations," presented in Hearings before the Department of Environmental Protection, City of New York, September 11.

- 1984 "Adjustable Rate Mortgages: Lessons from Canada and Britain," presented before the Subcommittee on Housing and Community Development of the Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs, U.S. House of Representatives, June 21.
- 1975 "Residential Mobility: Planners, Movers, and Multiple Movers," in Five Thousand American Families: Patterns of Economic Progress, Vol. III, edited by Greg Duncan and James N. Morgan (Ann Arbor, Mich.: Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan) 259\_78.
- 1974 "Homeownership and Housing Demand" in Five Thousand American Families: Patterns of Economic Progress, Vol. II, edited by James N. Morgan (Ann Arbor, Mich: Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan) 1-40.
- 1974 "Residential Mobility," in Five Thousand American Families: Patterns of Economic Progress, Vol. II, edited by James N. Morgan, (Ann Arbor, Mich: Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan) 41-78.

## Reviews

- 1984 "Council Housing," in Government and Policy, Vol. No. 1 (London: Pion Limited), 112-113.
- 1983 "What Price Housing: A Review of Housing Subsidies and Proposals for Reform," in Government and Policy, Vol. 1, No. 2 (London: Pion Limited), 253-254.

## REFEREEING :

*Journal of Public Economics*  
*Journal of Industrial Economics*  
*International Economic Review*  
*Urban Studies*  
*Urban Affairs Quarterly*  
 Duke University Press

## CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

### Papers

- 2003, "The Distributional Consequences of Rent Regulation," Symposium on Rent Regulation, Steven L. Newman Real Estate Institute, June.
- 2002 "The Economic Impacts of September 11," Between Expedience and Deliberation: Decision-Making for Post-9/11 New York, /Steven L. Newman Real Estate Institute, Baruch College, CUNY.
- 1992 "A State Takeover of Medicaid: The Case of New York," Annual Meeting of the Eastern Economic Association.
- 1991 "Reforming Rent Regulation in New York City," Annual Meeting of the Allied Social Sciences Association, Atlanta, December.
- 1991 "Reforming Rent Regulation in New York City," Annual Meeting of APPAM

1989 "Hedonic Prices, Rental Housing Markets, and Rent Regulation," Annual Meeting of the Allied Social Sciences Association, Atlanta, December.

1986 "Housing and the Welfare State in the United States and Western Europe," American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., August 29.

1986 International Research Conference on Housing Policy, National Swedish Building Institute, Gavle, Sweden, June 11.

1985 "The Rise of Competitive Mortgage Markets in the United States and Britain," International Conference of Housing Research and Policy, International Sociological Association, Institute of Sociology, University of Amsterdam, June 5.

1984 "Housing and Income Distribution in New York City" (with Emanuel Tobier), presented at the Conference on the History of Low-Income Housing, Columbia University, November 12.

1984 "A Modest Proposal: A Refundable Tax Credit for Low-Income Housing," presented at the Lavanburg Conference on Low-Income Housing, Harriman Conference Center, Glen Cove, New York, March.

1983 "Housing Policy Under Reagan and Thatcher," Regional Science Association Meetings, Chicago, November 12.

1981 "Discrimination in Housing Against Families with Children," presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Planning Association, Boston, May.

1980 "Housing Policy in New York City," presented at the Conference on Setting Municipal Priorities, March (with Emanuel Tobier).

1979 "Two\_Earner Families in the Housing Market," presented at the Eastern Economic Association Meetings, Boston.

1979 "Two\_Earner Families in the Housing Market," presented at the Conference on Women and Society, St. Michael's College, Winooski, Vermont.

1979 "The Urban Impacts of HUD's Urban Development Action Grant Program" presented at the Conference on the Urban Impacts of Federal Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, D.C., (with Susan Jacobs). February

1978 "Recession and the Cities: Metropolitan Structure and Unemployment over the Business Cycle," (with Margaret C. Simms), presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Economic Association, Chicago, August.

1977 "Rent Control in New York City: Who Gets the Subsidies?" presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Economic Association, New York City, December.

1976 "Short\_Run Housing Responses to Changes in Income," presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Economic Association, Atlantic City, August.

### **Other conference participation**

2007 Panelist, "Do Taxes Matter?" Citizens Budget Commission, at Pace College, December.

1989 Discussant, "Racial Impact of Urban Policy in Transportation and Housing," Annual Meetings of the Allied Social Sciences Association, December.

1986 Chairperson, Session on Housing Markets: Demand and Pricing Annual Meeting of the Allied Social Sciences Association, New Orleans, December

1985 Discussant, Session on Rental Housing Policy, Annual Meetings of the Allied Social Sciences Association, New York, December.

1984 Chairperson, Session on Rental Housing Policy and Rent Regulation, Annual Meetings of the Allied Social Sciences Association, Dallas, December.

1983 Chairperson, Session on Urban Policy, Regional Science Association Meetings, Chicago, November.

1981 Discussant, Session on Housing Policy, American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association Meetings, Washington, D.C, May.

1980 Chairperson, Opening Session, American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association Meetings, Washington, D.C., May.

### **CONSULTING:**

2008 Citizens Housing and Planning Council, Impact of Prevailing Wages on Affordable Housing

2005 Citizens Budget Commission, Taxes and Local Economic Development

1997 Citizens Budget Commission, Communications and New Media in New York City

1993-95 Citizens Budget Commission, Professional Business Services in New York City

1992-93 Community Preservation Corporation, Impact of Water and Sewer Metering on the New York City Housing Stock

1991-92 Citizens Budget Commission  
A Plan for the State Assumption of Medicaid

1990-91 Citizens Budget Commission  
Options for Reforming Rent Regulation

1984 Deloitte, Haskins, & Sells  
State\_mandated cost\_benefit analysis of New York  
City's J\_51 Program (Tax Exemption and Tax Abatement  
for Housing Rehabilitation)

- 1981-2 Mayor's Committee on Taxi Regulatory Issues
- 1978-9 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
- 1975-6 Center for Urban Policy Research, Rutgers University  
Analysis of New York City's Section 421 Program  
(Tax Exemption for New Construction)
- 1975 Abt Associates  
Housing Expenditures and Income