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PERSONAL DATA

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EDUCATION

B.A., Denison University (Granville, Ohio), 1969 (History)
 A.M., University of Illinois, 1974 (History)
 Ph.D., University of Illinois, 1980 (History)
 Dissertation: "The Panic of 1857 and the Coming of the Civil War" Director: Robert W. Johannsen

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

1975-1978 Teaching Assistant, University of Illinois
 1980-present Professor of History, Oklahoma State University.
 2006 Promoted to Regents Professor
 2010 Awarded Regents Distinguished Research Award

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- a. Civil War and Reconstruction
- b. American political history
- c. American economic history, nineteenth century

PUBLICATIONS

Articles Since 2005 (16 from 1980 to 2004)

"Economic Landscapes Yet to Be Discovered: The Early American Republic and Historians' Unsubtle Adoption of Political Economy. In Whither the Early Republic: A Forum on the Future of the Field. Edited by Michael Morrison and John Larson. Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2005, pp. 69-81.

"An Alternative to the Tragic Era: Applying the Virtues of Bureaucracy to the Reconstruction Dilemma." Civil War History, 51 (December 2005), 403-15.

"Theory's Failure: Malthusian Population Theory and the Projected Demise of Slavery," Civil War History, 55 (September 2009), 354-81.

"Response 1: 'For We Had Hugged the Delusion:' Journal of Gilded Age and Progressive Era, 5 (July 2006), 37-43.

"Interpreting the Causation Sequence: The Meaning of Events Leading to the Civil War: Review of Joel H. Silbey, *Storm Over Texas: The Annexation Controversy and the Road to Civil War*." Reviews in American History, 34 (September 2006), 324-31.

"Model Defects: A Review of Bruce Laurie's 'Workers, Abolitionists, and the Historians: A Historiographical Perspective.'" In Labor: Studies in Working-Class History of the Americas, V (Winter, 2008), 57-64.

"The Illinois Political Realignment of 1844-1860: Revisiting the Analysis," Journal of the Civil War Era, 1 (December 2011), 506-35.

"The Pregnant Economies of the Border South, 1840-1860: Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, and the Possibilities of Slave Labor Expansion." Chapter 9 in L. Diane Barnes, Brian Schoen, and Frank Towers, eds., The Old South's Modern Worlds: Slavery, Region, and Nation in the Age of Progress. New York: Oxford University Press, 2011, pp.120-41.

"The Lost Cause of the North: A Reflection on Lincoln's Gettysburg Address and the Second Inaugural." Journal of the Abraham Lincoln Association, 33 (Winter 2012), 14-37.

"The 1860 Southern Sojourns of Stephen A. Douglas and the Irrepressible Separation." In A. James Fuller, ed., The Election of 1860 Reconsidered, pp.29-67. Kent, OH: Kent State University Press, 2013.

"James Buchanan, the Slavocracy, and the Disruption of the Democratic Party." In Joel H. Silbey, ed., A Companion to Antebellum Presidents. Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishers, 2013.

Books and Monographs:

The Panic of 1857 and the Coming of the Civil War. Baton Rouge, La.: Louisiana State University Press, 1987.

Securing the Fruits of Labor: The American Concept of Wealth Distribution, 1765-1900. Baton Rouge, La.: Louisiana State University Press, 1998.

Calculating the Value of the Union: Slavery, Property Rights, and the Economic Origins of the Civil War. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2003.

Stephen A. Douglas and the Dilemma of Democratic Equality. Lanham, Md.: Rowman & Littlefield, 2006.

The British Gentry, the Southern Planter, and the Northern Family Farmer: Agriculture and Sectional Antagonism in North America. Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, forthcoming 2015.

EDITED WORKS.

The Lincoln-Douglas Debates of 1858. Edited by Robert W. Johannsen and James L. Huston. 2nd ed. New York: Oxford University Press, c. 2008. (Wrote the introductory essay, "The Continuing Debate About the 'Great Debates' of 1858: A Critical Review of the Literature.")

HONORS AND AWARDS

Received Honorable Mention in the Carstensen Prize Competition for 1983 for article "Western Grains and the Panic of 1857" in Agricultural History.

Received Best Book award for an author's first book from Phi Alpha Theta (History Honorary), April, 1989, for The Panic of 1857 and the Coming of the Civil War.

Securing the Fruits of Labor selected as a *Choice* Outstanding Academic Book for 1998. Published in *Choice: Current Reviews for Academic Libraries*, January 1999.

Finalist for Oklahoma Book Award for 1998, Nonfiction category, for Securing the Fruits of Labor.

Finalist for the 2004 Peter Seaborg Award for Civil War Scholarship, awarded by the George Tyler Moore Center for the Study of the Civil War, Shepherd College.