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2009– Member, Committee on Clinical and Translational Science

2007–2014 Director, Population Sciences, Institute for Translational Medicine

2005– Member, Center for Cognitive and Social Neuroscience

2001–2008 Member, Institute for Mind and Biology

2000–2014 Director, Biostatistics Core Facility, University of Chicago Cancer Research Center

1999–2012 Chairman, Department of Health Studies (now Public Health Sciences)

1999–2012 Co-Director, Clinical Research Training Program

1996 Professor, Department of Public Health Sciences (Health Studies until 2014)

1993–1998 Co-Director, Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Program

1993– Professor, Committee on Clinical Pharmacology and Pharmacogenomics

1992 — Professor, Departments of Statistics, Anesthesia & Critical Care, and the College

1989–1992 Associate Professor, Department of Anesthesia and Critical Care 1982–1992 Associate Professor, Department of Statistics and the College

1979–1982 Leonard Jimmie Savage Assistant Professor, Department of Statistics and the College

1976–1982 Assistant Professor, Department of Statistics and the College

Honors: Phi Beta Kappa, Pomona College, 1972.

Sigma Xi, The University of Chicago, 1977.

The Llewellyn John and Harriet Manchester Quantrell Award for Excellence in

Undergraduate Teaching, 1981.

Professional Societies:

American Association for the Advancement of Science (Elected Fellow, 1992)

1994–1997 Electorate Nominating Committee, Section on Statistics

American Statistical Association (Elected Fellow, 1988)

1987–1989 Section on Statistical Graphics, Chair (1988)

1994–1996 Executive Committee, Section on Statistical Education

1994–1996 Section Representative, Section on Statistical Computing

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1987–1990 Nominating Committee

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Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics, (Visiting Lecturer, 1979–80)

Editorial: Computing Reviews, Reviewer (1978–1987).

J American Statistical Assoc, Associate Editor (1979–1985, 1987–1988).

SIAM J Scientific and Statistical Computing, Editorial Board (1983–1985).

ACM Trans on Math Software, Associate Editor (1990–1992).

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Selected Publications

Books

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Original Articles

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