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HOWARD B. ROCK PROFESSOR OF HISTORY (Emeritus) Florida International University

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

B.A. Brandeis University, 1966
M.A. New York University, 1969
Ph.D. New York University, 1974

Dissertation Advisor: Professor Carl E. Prince

Dissertation Title: "The Independent Mechanic: The Tradesmen of New York City in Labor and Politics During the Jeffersonian Era"

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Professor, Department of History, FIU, 1990-2008
Chairman, Department of History, FIU 1983-1989
Associate Professor, Department of History, FIU, 1979-1990
Assistant Professor, Department of History, FIU, 1973-1979
Chair, Faculty Senate, 1999-2003
FIU Board of Trustees, 2003
Florida Board of Governors, 2003-2004

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

Haven of Liberty: New York Jews in the New World, 1654-1865, New York University Press, 2012 (First volume of trilogy)

Cityscapes: A History of New York in Images, Columbia University Press, 2001 (Deborah Dash Moore, co-author)

The American Artisan: Crafting Social Identity (chief editor; co-editors Paul Gilje, Univ. of Oklahoma and Robert Asher, Univ. of Connecticut) Johns Hopkins University Press, 1995

Keepers of the Revolution: New Yorkers at Work in the Early Republic, Cornell University Press, 1992 (Paul Gilje, co-editor)

The New York City Artisan, 1789-1825: A Documentary History, SUNY Press, 1989

Artisans of the New Republic: The Tradesmen of New York City in the Age of Jefferson, New York University Press, 1979

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Articles:

“Upheaval, Innovation and Transformation, New York City Jews and the Civil War,” *American Jewish Archives Journal* (2012), pp. 1-26

Symposium Contributor, *Labor History*, Winter, 1998, on "Writing Labor History."

“Sweep O! Sweep O! African American Chimney Sweeps and Citizenship in the New Nation,” (Paul Gilje, co-author) *William and Mary Quarterly* (July, 1994), pp. 507-538

"The Sweep and the Fop: Confrontation in Gotham" *New York History* (Spring, 1994), pp. 157-172

"Teaching and the Core Curriculum," *Journal for the Art of Teaching* (Spring, 1994), pp. 21-26

"All Her Sons Join in One Social Band: Visual Images of New York's Artisan Societies in the Early Republic," *Labor's Heritage* (July, 1991), pp. 4-21 (republished in revised form in *The American Artisan: Crafting Social Identity*)

"An Enduring Revolution: Artisans in the New Nation," *Journal of Urban History*, (November, 1985), pp. 89-98. Review Article.

"A Woman's Place in Jeffersonian New York: The View from the *Independent Mechanic*," *New York History*, (July, 1980), pp. 435-459.

"A Delicate Balance: The Mechanics and the City in the Age of Jefferson," *New-York Historical Society Quarterly*, (April, 1979), pp. 93-114

"The American Revolution and the Mechanics of New York City: One Generation Later," *New York History*, (July, 1976) pp. 367-394.

"The Perils of Laissez-Faire: The Aftermath of the New York Bakers' Strike of 1801," *Labor History*, Summer, 1976), pp. 372-387.

One article for *American Cities and Suburbs: An Encyclopedia* (Garland Press, 1998).

Three articles for the *Encyclopedia of the City of New York* (Yale University Press, 1995)

One article for the *American Cities and Suburbs: An Encyclopedia* (Garland Press, 1998)

Two articles for *Encyclopedia of the American Revolution* (Garland Press, 2002)

Three articles for *The Encyclopedia of the New American Nation*, (Scribner's, 2005)

Illustrations editor, *Encyclopedia of the New American Nation* (2005)

Three articles, *Encyclopedia of U.S. Labor and Working-Class History*, Routledge, forthcoming

Book Chapters:

Introduction to Howard Fast, *The Unvanquished: A Novel of the American Revolution*, first published 1942, republished, 1997 by M.E. Sharpe.

"The Artisan and the State in the 1790s: A Comparison of New York and London, " in Gilje and Pencak, eds., *New York City in the Age of the Constitution*, Fairleigh Dickinson University Press, 1992

"Independent Hours: Time and the Artisan in the New Republic," in Gary Cross, ed., *Worktime and Industrialization: An International History* (Temple University Press, 1988)

Papers:

"The Jews of New York City and the Coming of the Civil War," given at annual meeting of the American Jewish Studies Association, Washington, D.C., December, 2011.

"Antisemitism in New York City, 1654-1825" given at the annual meeting of the Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture, New Paltz, NY, May, 2011

"Gershom Seixas and Republican Thought" given at annual meeting of the Society for the History of the Early, American Republic, Rochester, New York, July, 2010

"The City Behind the Movie: Scorsese's *Gangs of New York*: What was Real?" given at Vassar College, 2004, University of Oklahoma, 2006

"The Jews of Early America" participant in "Weaving the Tapestry of Jewish Life in America, 1664-2004," February, 2005, FIU

"Interpreting the Declaration of Independence" given at the General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen, New York City, July, 2004

"A Tour of Jeffersonian New York" New York History Festival, City University of New York, 2003 and the General Society of Tradesmen and Mechanics, New York City, 2003

"New York in Images: The Place of Women," Chicago Seminar in Urban History, March 1999

"Sweep O! Sweep O!" African-American Chimney Sweeps in New York during the Early Republic" Annual Meeting of the Society of Historians of the Early American Republic, Chapel Hill, 1992

"Independent Hours: Time and the Artisan in the New Republic," New York Historical Society Conference on New York History, 1988

"The Artisan and the State in the 1790's: A Comparison of New York and London," New York Historical Society Conference on New York History, 1987

"A Tale of Two Cities: Patterns of Political Involvement of New York and London Artisans in the Age of Revolution," Annual Meeting of the Organization of American Historians, 1986

"A Great Diversity: Artisan Crafts in New York City, 1820," Clark Historical Library Seminar in History, Central Michigan University, 1985

"Male and Female in Early National New York: *The Independent Mechanic*," Seminar on New York State History, Albany, New York, 1981

"The Mechanics and the City," Annual meeting of the Organization of American Historians, 1978

"Labor Conflict in Jeffersonian New York: Tactical and Ideological Perspectives," Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, 1976

Book Reviews:

Simon Middleton, *From Privileges to Rights: Work and Politics in Colonial New York City*, *American Historical Review*, 2007

Stephen P. Rice, *Minding the Machine: Languages of Class in Early Industrial America*, *Enterprise and Society*, December, 2005

Jamie L. Bronstein, *Land Reform and Working Class Experience in Britain and the United States 1800-1862*, H-Net, 2000

William Sutton, *Journeyman for Jesus: Evangelical Artisans Confront Capitalism in Jacksonian Baltimore*, *American Historical Review*, April, 2000

Patricia Bonomi, *The Lord Cornbury Scandal: The Politics of Reputation in British America*, *Connecticut History*, 1999

Anthony Gronowicz, *Race and Class Politics in New York City Before the Civil War*, *Journal of American History*, 1988

Paul Gilje, ed., *Wages of Independence: Capitalism in the Early American Republic*, *Indiana Magazine of History*, 1998

Johanna Miller Lewis, *Artisans in the North Carolina Backcountry*, *American Historical Review*, 1997

Robert Stott, ed. William Otter, *History of My Own Times*, *Journal of the Early Republic* 1996

Alfred F. Young, Ed. *Beyond the American Revolution: Explorations in American Radicalism*, *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*, 1994

Conley and Kaminski, Eds., *The Bill of Rights and the States: The Colonial and Revolutionary Origins of American Liberties*, *North Carolina Magazine of History and Biography*, 1993

Light Townsend Cummins, *Spanish Observers and the American Revolution: 1775-1783*, *Hispanic American Historical Review*, 1993

Shane White, *Somewhat More Independent: The End of Slavery in New York City, 1770-1810*, *Labor History*, 1992

Richard B. Stott, *Workers in the Metropolis: Class, Ethnicity and Youth in Antebellum New York City*, *Journal of the Early Republic*, 1991

Billie G. Smith, *The Lower Sort": Philadelphia's Laboring People, 1750-1800*, *William and Mary Quarterly*, 1991

Richard Twomey, *Jacobins and Jeffersonians*, *Labor History*, 1990

Pencack and Wright, eds., *New York and the Rise of American Capitalism*, *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*, 1989

Stephen Innes. ed., *Work and Labor in Early America*, *Journal of the Early American Republic*, 1989

Paul Gilje, *The Road to Mobocracy*, *William and Mary Quarterly*, 1988

Graham Hodges, *The Cartmen of New York City, 1630-1850*, *American Historical Review*, 1987

W.J. Rorabaugh, *The Craft Apprentice from Franklin to the Machine Age in America*, *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*, 1986

Susan E. Hirsch, *Roots of the American Working Class: The Industrialization of Crafts in Newark, 1800-1860*, *American Historical Review*, 1982

Edwin Spann, *The Great Metropolis*, *New York History*, 1982

Bruce Laurie, *The Working People of Philadelphia, 1800-1850*, *Winterthur Portfolio*, 1980

Philip Foner, *The Factory Girls*, *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*, 1979

Philip Foner, *Labor and the American Revolution*, *New York History*, 1977

AWARDS

Faculty Sabbatical Award, FIU, 1990, 1998

Excellence in Service Award, FIU 1995, 2003

Excellence in Research Award, FIU, 1992

Lilly Endowment Participant in Workshop on the Liberal Arts, Colorado Springs, Summer, 1992

Grant for Recent PhDs, ACLS, 1976

Winner, New York State Bicentennial Scholarly Article Contest, 1979

NEH Fellow in Residence, Northwestern University, 1978-79

REFEREE:

Journal of American History

William and Mary Quarterly

Journal of the Early Republic

Winterthur Portfolio

University of Delaware Press

University of Tennessee Press

Oxford University Press

Pennsylvania State University Press

Cornell University Press

Yale University Press

New York University Press

National Endowment for the Humanities

Routledge Press

University of New Mexico (for both one tenure file and one promotion file)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

Board of Editors, *Journal of the Early Republic*, 1997-2000

American Historical Association

New York State Historical Association

Organization of American Historians

Society of Historians of the Early American Republic

New-York Historical Society

Chair, "Artisans in Early National West Virginia," Annual Meeting of the Society of Historians of the Early American Republic, July, 1988

Chair, "Artisans in Antebellum America," Annual Meeting of the American Historical Assoc., 1997

Program Committee, Society of Historians of the Early American Republic, 1988

Historical Advisor, Fraunces Tavern Museum Exhibit, "New York City in the 1790's," 1986-87

Chair, "Religious and Political Attitudes in the Early United States," Annual Conference of Society of Historians of the Early American Republic, 1979

Commentator, "Pennsylvania Artisans," Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Historical Society, October 12-14, 1994, Lebanon, Pa.

Chair and Commentator, "Labor in the Eighteenth Century Atlantic World," Annual Conference of the Institute for Early American History and Culture, Ann Arbor, Michigan, June 2-4, 1995

UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

University-wide and State-wide

Chair-elect and Chair, Advisory Council of Faculty Senates, 2002-2004

Member, Florida Board of Governors, 2003-2004

Accountability Committee, Board of Governors. 2003-4

Student Affairs Committee, Board of Governors, 2003-4

Member, FIU Board of Trustees, 2003

Academic Policies Committee, FIU Board of Trustees, 2003

Development Committee, FIU Board of Trustees, 2003

Author, op-ed pieces on university governance in Florida; separate articles published in *Miami Herald*, *St. Petersburg Times*, *Gainesville Sun*, *Jacksonville Times Union*, *Tallahassee Democrat*, 2003-2007

Search Committee. Dean of the Graduate School, 2002

Search Committee. Executive Vice-Provost, 2001

Search Committee, Director of Public Safety, 1999

Academic Council, 2000-2002

Commencement Committee 1999-2003

Convocation Committee 1999 - 2007

UBR Committee (to rewrite core curriculum), 2000-2002

Chair, Academic Forum, (to rewrite core curriculum) 1990-1993

Faculty Club Steering Committee, 1995-present

Committee on the Holocaust Center, 1988-1994

Bookstore Committee, 1988-1995
Chairman, Provost's Task Force on Campus Environment, 1982
Ethnic Studies Committee, 1975-76
FIU American Bicentennial Committee, 1976
FIU Academic Honesty Committee, 1976-77

Faculty Senate

Secretary, Faculty Senate, 2005-present
Governmental Affairs Officer, Faculty Senate, 2004-2005
Ad-Hoc Committee to Negotiate agreement between President and Faculty Senate, 2005
Parliamentarian, Faculty Senate, 2003-2004
Chair, Faculty Senate, 1999-2003
Vice-Chair, Faculty Senate, 1996-97, 1998-1999
Faculty Senator, 1982-1994, 1995-present
Steering Committee, Faculty Senate, 1994-present
Chair, Faculty Senate Library Committee, 1983-84, 1987-88
Vice-Chair, Graduate Council, 1997-present

College of Arts and Sciences

College of Arts and Sciences Arts and Sciences Steering Committee, 2005-2006
Committee to Revise College of Arts and Sciences Constitution, 2003
Chairman, Arts and Sciences Library Committee, 1982-1990
College of Arts and Science Curriculum Committee, 1976-78
College Council on International Studies, 1975-76

Department of History

Advisor Phi Alpha Theta, 1983-87, 2007-present
Undergraduate Committee, 2006-present
Chairman, 1982-1989
Ten (approximate) search committees, Department of History, chair of two

Graduate Service

Coordinated inception of stand-alone M.A. in History program at FIU through Board of Regents, 1985 (with the help of Associate Provost Chuck Elkins)
Chair, Committee to write curriculum of M.A. History Program
Director of two M.A. theses (both candidates were accepted in doctoral programs, Univ. of FL. and Univ. of Pittsburgh)
Member of six doctoral committees, (comprehensive and/or thesis)
Graduate Committee, 1995-7, 2001-2004

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Lecture on Jewish immigration at Temple Beth Torah, January, 2005
Member, Grievance Committee 11B, The Florida Bar, 1994-1997
Lecturer, Holocaust Center Training Program, 1980, 1983, 1987
Instructor, In-Service Training Program, Dade County Public Schools, Modern American History, 1988, 1989
Judge, Dade County Public Schools History Bee, 1987-89

FEH Evaluator, "Mosaic: Jewish Life in Florida," 1988
FEH Evaluator, Coconut Grove Playhouse Play reading Series. 1989
Greater Miami Hillel Community Board, 1974-76
Director, "Folk Songs of the American West," 1973-74

COURSES TAUGHT:

Colonial America
The Age of Jefferson (Undergraduate and Graduate)
Democracy in America
The American Revolution (Undergraduate and Graduate)
Early American Social History (Graduate)
History of American Education
American History Survey
The American Revolution (Lower and Upper division and Graduate)
American Urban History
The Great American West
Modern Jewish History
The Holocaust
Comparative Colonial History (North America and Latin America)
Eighteenth Century British History
Confederation and Constitution, 1783-1789 (Senior Sem./Graduate)
History of New York City (Graduate Seminar)