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EDUCATION

1968-1971 B.A. Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, New York. Magna Cum Laude.
Major: Political Science.

1968-1971 Yeshiva University Teachers' Institute, completed 60 additional credits in
Jewish education and Judaic studies.

1969-1970 One Year Study program - Hebrew University

1983. Ph.D. in Political Science - International Relations. City University of New
York Graduate Center. M.A. awarded concurrently. Areas of concentration:
Comparative Politics, International Politics and Foreign Policy.

Dissertation: Ethnic Linkages and Foreign Policy: A Study of the Linkages Between the American
Jewish Community and the Government of Israel and their Role in the Conduct of United States - Israel
Relations. 1956-1968.

Sponsors: Professor Howard Lentner, Professor Benjamin Rivlin, City University of
New York, Graduate Center.

1993-1996 Ohr Tora Program for Rabbinic Advocates (To'en Rabbani), three year
program of intensive study of Jewish family law,. Licensed by the Ministry of
Religious Affairs as a Rabbinic Advocate, December, 1996.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Resisting Reform: A Policy Analysis of the Israeli Health Care Delivery System,
Gerald Steinberg and Etta Bick. University Press of America & The Jerusalem Center
for Public Affairs, 1992. (245 pages)

Many commissions have been formed to recommend changes in Israel's health care system, and many
reports and recommendations have been issued, but with little impact. This study seeks to understand
the sources of this resistance to change, (particularly that of the Histadrut and Kupat Holim Clalit) and
recommends workable measures to reform the health care system.

Articles in Refereed Academic Journals

1.. "Sectarian Party Politics in Israel: The Case of Yisrael Ba'Aliyah, the Russian
Immigrant Party", *Israel Affairs*, Vol. 4, 1. Fall 1997, pp. 121 -145.

The article appears as well in Daniel Elazar and Shmuel Sandler eds. *Israel At the Polls, 1996*, London: Frank Cass Ltd., 1997. pp.121-145.

2. "The Shas Phenomenon and Religious Parties in the 1999 Elections" *Israel Affairs*, Vol. 7, 2-3, Winter-Spring, 2001. pp. 55-100.

The article appears as well in Daniel Elazar and Ben Mollov (eds.), *Israel At the Polls, 1999*. London: Frank Cass Ltd., 2001, pp.55-100.

3. "Transnational Actors in a Time of Crisis: The Involvement of American Jews in Israel -United States Relations, 1956-1957." *Middle Eastern Studies*.39:3, July 2003. pp. 144-168.

4. "כשלון תוכנית ג'ונסון לפתרון בעיית הפליטים הפלשתינאים : ביטוי ליחסי הגומלין בין מדיניות חוץ ושיקולי פנים." *מחקרי יהודה ושומרון*, י"ג, תשס"ג, הרשות למחקר המכללה האקדמית יהודה ושומרון, אריאל. 289-304.

5. "A Party in Decline : Shas in Israel's 2003 Elections" *Israel Affairs*, Summer/fall 2004. pp 98-129. It appears as well in Shmuel Sandler, Ben Mollov and Jonathan Rynhold (eds). *Israel At the Polls, 2003*. London: Routledge, 2004.

6. "Two-Level Negotiations and U.S. Foreign Policy: The Failure of the Johnson plan for the Palestinian refugees, 1961-62". *Diplomacy and Statescraft*, Vol. 17:3, September, 2006., pp. 447-474.

7. "A Clash of Authority: Lay leaders and Rabbis in the National Religious Party", *Israel Affairs*, Winter, 2007, pp. 401-417. It appears as well in Shmuel Sandler, Manfred Gerstenfeld, and Jonathan Rynhold , *Israel At the Polls, 2006*. London: Routledge, 2007.

8. "Rabbis and rulings: Insubordination in the Military and Israeli Democracy" *Journal of Church and State*, 49:2, Spring 2007. pp. 305-328.

Chapter in an edited book

1. "Fragmentation and Realignment: Israel's Nationalist-Right Parties in the 1992 Elections" in. Daniel Elazar and Shmuel Sandler, eds *Israel at the Polls, 1992*. Jerusalem: The Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs, 1994, pp. 67 -101.

Papers Delivered at a Conference

May 2001, "American Jews as Transnational Actors in Relations between the United States and Israel, 1956-1963" paper delivered at the Israel Studies Association Conference, the American University, Washington, D.C..

May 2003, "The Johnson Plan for the Settlement of the Arab Refugee Problem 1961-62: An Example of the Influence of Domestic Considerations on Foreign Policy Decision Making" paper delivered at the 13th annual Studies of Judea and Samaria Conference, the Academic College of Judea and Samaria, Ariel.

March 2004, "US Foreign Policy and Israel's Security Fence" Conference on

"Separation Fence & Disengagement Plan: Present & Future Impact" Academic College of Judea and Samaria, March 28, 2004.

(הרצאה: "מדיניות ארה"ב ביחס ל"גדר הביטחון" של ישראל", כנס בנושא גדר ההפרדה ומדיניות ההתנתקות: השלכות בהווה ובעתיד, מכללת יהודה ושומרון, מרס, 2004.)

May 29-31, 2005, "Policy, Protest and the Pulpit: Rabbis and Territorial Politics in the Holyland" Paper given at the Annual conference of the Association of Israel Studies, held in Tucson, Arizona.

July 9-13, 2006 "The Limits to Consociational Democracy: Religious Politics and Political Legitimacy in Israel" Paper given at the World Congress of the International Political Science Association, Fukuoka, Japan.

June 11-13, 2007 "A Clash of Authority: Lay Leaders and Rabbis Within Religious Politics". Paper given at the 23rd Annual Conference, Association of Israel Studies, held at the Open University, Raanana, Israel.

Commissioned Research

Reasoning Together: A Study of Thirty-five Years of Israeli-American Dialogues, The Institute of American Jewish - Israel Relations. The American Jewish Committee, New York, 1985.

"Evaluation of Selected University Programs in Israel", report prepared for the Charles R Bronfman Foundation, under contract at the Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs, January, 1990.

Edited Volume

- editor, *Judaic Sources of Human Rights*. Tel Aviv University: The Israel Diaspora Institute, April 1989.

Article in academic newsletter

Gerald Steinberg and Etta Bick. "Israel's Public Health System: The Prospects for Change", *Jerusalem Letter*, Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs, September 2, 1990.

WORK IN PROGRESS

An article analyzing the increased influence of rabbis on the politics, parties and political behavior of religious Zionists in Israel with particular emphasis on the resistance to the disengagement plan and to the debate over the refusal to serve in the armed forces. This project is the beginning of a wider research project that will survey and analyze the involvement of rabbis from the religious Zionist camp in politics and political issues dating from the establishment of the state until recent times.

Joint research project with Dr. Abira Reiser, Multi-Disciplinary Program, College of Judea and Samaria. Analysis of opinion data of the attitudes of yeshiva students

toward the State of Israel and army service, comparing attitudes before the evacuation of the Gaza Strip settlements and after.

Grant Application approved

" רבנים כאליטה פוליטית : מעורבותם והשפעתם של רבנים של "ציונות הדתית" על דפוסי מחשבה ופעילות פוליטית של תלמידיהם במסגרת לימודיהם לאחר תיכון ומידת השפעתם על הדמוקרטיה הישראלית".

May -December 2006, College of Judea and Samaria Research Authority.

EMPLOYMENT

Employment in Teaching

2007 – Appointment Senior Lecturer, Ariel University Center, Samaria

1994 - 2006. Lecturer in Political Science, Academic College of Judea and Samaria (in the Bar Ilan University program and in the College's Health Administration program). Appointment as lecturer, 1997.

1991-1994. Lecturer, Hebrew University Rothberg School for Overseas Students, summer courses and lectures in special programs. Course: *United States - Israel Relations, Policies and Interests, 1948-1992*.

1992-1997. Instructor in civics, Neve Chana Ulpana for Girls, Kfar Etzion, Gush Etzion.

1986-1994. Instructor in academic programs sponsored jointly by the WZO and the Hebrew University (Institute of Contemporary Jewry) for university students, academics and professionals from English speaking countries. The program included intensive study of the history of Zionism, the Arab - Israel conflict, the politics and society of Israel.

1991 -1992. Lecturer in Political Science, Open University.

1986-1994 Instructor at The Herzl Institute, (WZO) an institute for the study of Zionism and democracy. Program includes workshops in Hebrew and in English for Israeli high school juniors and seniors, soldiers, educators and professionals from Israel and the Diaspora. Creator of the program in English, and contributor to the program design in Hebrew.

The Hebrew Program, Herzl: His Vision and Israeli Democracy, offers an in-depth look at Herzl's social and political thought and its relevance to contemporary Israeli issues.

The English Program, From Basel to Jerusalem: A Look at Zionism, Past, Present and Future is designed for English speaking groups from abroad with an academic background. Special emphasis is placed on the relevance of Zionism today.

1986-1987. Instructor, Israeli Politics, the Arab-Israel Conflict, Young Judea Year Course. Jerusalem..

1980-1981. Instructor, Orot Teachers' College, Petach Tikva

1972-1977. Instructor of Political Science, City University, New York, 1972-1977.

Employment in Research

1989-1991 Researcher and policy analyst at the Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs. Research project analyzing structural obstacles to health reform: the Histadrut and Kupat Holim Clalit; an analysis of the relations among KHC, the Ministry of Health, the Sick Funds, private medicine, and the medical unions. Also "An Evaluation of Selected University Programs in Israel", report prepared for the Charles R Bronfman Foundation, January, 1990.

1983-1985. Research Associate and assistant to the director, Institute of American Jewish - Israel Relations, American Jewish Committee. Work included preparing a bibliography of all publications on Israel - Diaspora relations published in Israel, launching a newsletter in Hebrew of news of American Jewry for distribution in Israel, feasibility studies for research projects for the Institute, critical evaluation of research submitted, selection of Israeli candidates for study missions to American Jewish communities, their briefing and debriefing, small-scale research projects and administrative tasks.

Employment in Academic Editing

1985-1988. Editor, at the Israel-Diaspora Institute of Tel Aviv University. Edited published proceedings of a series of conferences sponsored by the Institute. The Israel-Diaspora Institute sponsored dialogues among intellectuals, professionals and community leaders from Israel and the Diaspora on issues confronting the Jewish people.

ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC CONTRIBUTION

2006-2007 Deputy chairman of the Middle East and Israel Studies Department, Academic College of Judea and Samaria

2005-6 Acting Chairman of the Middle East and Israel Studies Department, Academic College of Judea and Samaria.

2003-2005 Deputy chairman of the multidisciplinary program in Political Science, Academic College of Judea and Samaria. This assignment includes planning and coordinating academic conferences and special events at the College as well as long range projects.

2005 Member of coordinating committee, David Bar Ilan Media Conference, Academic College of Judea and Samaria, November, 2005, and chair of a session at the conference.

2004 Member of coordinating committee, David Bar Ilan Media Conference, Academic College of Judea and Samaria , 2004, and chair of a session at the conference..

2004 Co-coordinator of conference, "Separation Fence & Disengagement Plan: Present & Future", Academic College of Judea and Samaria, March 28, 2004.

2000-2001 Prepared curriculum in Political Science for the proposed program in Middle East Area Studies and the multi-disciplinary program in Politics and Communication at the College of Judea and Samaria, together with Dr. Alexander Blich, that was submitted to the Board of Higher Education..

ACADEMIC COMMITTEES AT THE COLLEGE

Library Committee, 2000 –2002, 2004-2007
Faculty Disciplinary Committee, 2002 - 2007

COURSES

Introductory courses in Comparative Government, Israel Government and Politics, Public Administration;
The Politics of Local Government; Politics of Development and Developing Countries, Religion and Politics in Israel.
Jewish Communities in the Diaspora; The American Jewish Community: past and present.
Seminar courses in "Religion in Comparative Politics" and "Foreign Policy: United States - Israel Relations"

COMMUNITY SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT

February 2004: Travel to the Hague, Holland to participate in the hasbarah effort for Israel in the media during the proceedings of the International Court of Justice

2003-2006 Member of the Oversight Committee, Local government, Alon Shvut, Gush Etzion.

1992-2000 Lectures on the current political situation in Israel and on the "peace process", as a political analyst and resident of Judea and Samaria, to eighty or more visiting groups to Israel, Jewish and non-Jewish, from the United States, Canada and Western Europe,. (Missions from Melitz, the United Jewish Appeal, the New Israel Fund, the Jewish Agency, Jewish Federations, university groups, etc.)

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