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Objective: For the History and Traditions Committee of INFORMS

Sample of Career Activities, Current: Recent chair of CPMS, the practice section of INFORMS. Associate editor of the journal *Operations Research*. Wagner-Prize specialissue editor of the journal *Interfaces*. Coach of the finalist team from the U.S. Army in the upcoming international Edelman Award competition for achievement in operations research practice.

Sample of Career Activities, Previous: Chair of the combined boards of the Institute of Management Sciences (TIMS) and the Operations Research Society of America (ORSA) when they acted to merge, creating the Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences (INFORMS). President of the original INFORMS corporation when the legal work was carried out (before the first elected president served). Founding executive director of INFORMS.

Chaired various INFORMS committees including those for the Fellow Award, the Morse Lectureship, the Kimball Medal, Continuing Professional Education, Public Information, and the Edelman Award.

Elected president of TIMS just before the merger. Earlier served TIMS as vice president, finance.

Directed McDemott Operations Research, past winner of the well-known Edelman Award. Also managed corporate software development, an IT function.

Founded a financial operations research consultancy, collaborating with faculty members from MIT and the Harvard Business School. Simultaneously helped organize and served as first president of the Graduate Alumni Association of the MIT Sloan School of Management. Chaired the organizing committee for the MIT Sloan School's twentieth-anniversary convocation.

Directed the Research Division of the Bank Administration Institute. While there, managed the influential Bank Administration Institute study to devise sound methods of measuring investment performance. Conceived and helped found the *Journal of Bank Research*.

Established an operations research function at General Atomic, a division of General Dynamics Corporation.

Education: SB, SM, PhD Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Ford Foundation Doctoral Fellow. Dissertation: "Mathematical Models for Planning and Competitive Bidding by Semiconductor Manufacturers." Teaching assistant in graduate course "Mathematics for Industrial Management."

Professional Positions: University of Maryland, UMBC Campus: part-time adjunct teaching courses IS 325 "Introduction to Management Science" and IS 425 "Decision Support Systems" ('00-present)

Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences (INFORMS): founding Executive Director ('95-retired in '98)

McDermott International, Inc.: Manager, Decision Technologies and Operations Research (and Director of McDermott Operations Research) ('91-retired in'95) Manager, Corporate Systems and Operations Research ('88-'91) Manager, Operations Research Department ('86-'88) Manager, Financial Applications, Operations Research Department ('78-'86)

Babcock & Wilcox (until merged with McDermott): Manager, Corporate Applications, Operations Research Department ('76-'78)

Independent consultant in financial operations research ('70-'76)

Bank Administration Institute: Director, Research Division ('66-'70)

General Atomic Company, a division of General Dynamics Corporation: Staff Associate, Operations Research ('64-'66)

UCLA Extension Program, UCSD Campus: part-time lecturer teaching graduate courses "Dynamic Programming" and "Probability and Stochastic Processes for Engineers" ('64-'65)

U.S. Navy (as Naval Reserve officer on active duty): Special Assistant to the Director, Advanced Logistics Research, Naval Supply Systems Command ('60-'61) Supply and Disbursing Officer, destroyer ('58-'60)

Honors: INFORMS Fellow: named during the founding year of this award that recognizes overall standing in the profession

Kimball Medal: award for service to the profession

Publications: Various articles in the magazine *OR/MS Today*. Papers in the *Journal of Finance* and the *Journal of Bank Research*. Chapter in the book *Perspectives in Operations Research*. Coordinated the study reported in the book *Measuring the Investment Performance of Pension Funds*.