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I. Education and Personal History:

A.B. Manhattan College (1961)
Ph.L. Woodstock College (1965)
M.A. Fordham University (1967)
B.D. Woodstock College (1970)
Ph.D. New York University (1975)

Date of Birth: December 1, 1939
Entrance into the Society of Jesus: July 1961
Regency: Philosophy Department, Fordham University (1965-1967)
Faculty Appointment at Saint Joseph's University (1974)
Ordination to Presbyterate: June 1975

II. Dissertation:

"Three Theories of Distribution" (1975). A study of Rawls's *A Theory of Justice*, Nozick's *Anarchy, State, and Utopia*, and Marx's *Capital* as exemplifying three approaches to the evaluation of systems for wealth distribution. Director: John Taurek. Advisers: Steven Cahn, James Rachels, and Peter Singer.

III. Scholarly Articles:

- (1) "The Theological Justification of Morality," *The New Scholasticism*, Vol. 52, No. 4 (Autumn, 1978), pp. 569-574.
- (2) "Killing and Letting Die: What is the Moral Difference?" *The New Scholasticism*, Vol. 54, No. 2 (Spring, 1980), pp. 200-212.
- (3) "Killing, Letting Die, and Euthanasia," *Proceedings of the American Catholic Philosophical Association*, Vol. 55 (1981), pp. 250-259.
- (4) "Suicide and the Service of God," *Ethics: International Journal of Social, Political and Legal Philosophy*, Vol. 95, No. 1 (October 1984), pp. 56-67.
- (5) "Worship and Moral Autonomy," *Religious Studies*, Vol. 24, No. 2 (June 1988), pp. 101-119.
- (6) "Filial Gratitude and God's Right to Command," *The Journal of Religious Ethics*, Vol. 19, No. 1 (Spring 1991), pp. 93-118.
- (7) "Obstetrical Dilemmas and the Principle of Double Effect," *The American Journal of Jurisprudence*, Vol. 37 (1992), pp. 197-211.
- (8) "James Rachels on Kant's Basic Idea," *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly*,

Vol. 71, No. 1 (1997), pp. 53-58.

(9) "Voluntary Intercourse and Fetal Rights," *Journal of Social Philosophy*, Vol. 31, No. 3 (Fall 2000), pp. 338-352.

(10) "Against God's Moral Goodness," *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly*, Vol. 79, No. 2 (Spring 2005), pp. 313-326.

IV. Popular Articles:

(1) "Moral Theology and Public Dissent: A Temporary Compromise," *America*, Vol. 156 (February 7, 1987), pp. 100-101, 112-113, 115.

V. Book Reviews:

(1) David McLellan. Karl Marx: His Life and Thought. Published in *America*, Vol. 130 (March 9, 1974), p. 178.

(2) Ronald Dworkin. Taking Rights Seriously. Published in *America*, Vol. 136 (April 2, 1977), pp. 304-305.

VI. Recently Published Letter:

(1) "Who Blends into What?" Published in *America*, Vol. 204. No. 3 (February 7, 2011), pp. 34-35. Warns against the assumption of some religious leaders that being "countercultural" is a sign of being on God's side; suggests that secular culture may have realized certain Christian values more fully than the churches. (Response to John J. DiIulio, Jr.)

VII. Grants:

(1) Six-week N.E.H. Institute for College Teachers (Summer 1985) on the moral theory of Thomas Aquinas directed by Professor Ralph McInerney at Notre Dame University.

(2) Eight-week N.E.H. Seminar for College Teachers (Summer 1990) directed by Professor Jonathan Bennett at Syracuse University on Consequentialist theories of ethics. Professor Bennett graciously acknowledged my contributions to the seminar in the preface to his book which developed from it: *The Act Itself* (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1995), p. v.

VIII. Awards:

(1) Faculty Merit Award for Teaching (2007-2008).

(2) Honorary Membership in *Alpha Sigma Nu* (Honor Society of the Jesuit Institute of Higher Education (2012)