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Writer, researcher, and commentator with more than 17 years experience in the pro-liberty movement. Areas of focus include fiscal, economic, transportation, science/technology, and energy issues.

- * columnist, www.dowdmuska.com (also runs in major Connecticut dailies)
- * frequent guest and guest host, The Talk of Connecticut radio network
- * policy fellow, Connecticut Majority
- * freelance writer, researcher, commentator, and lecturer

EXPERIENCE

Yankee Institute for Public Policy Studies
Philip Gressel Fellow for Tax and Budget Policy
3/2004 – 11/2007

Researched, wrote, and edited issue briefs, long-form studies, and op-eds on Connecticut's fiscal policies. Major research projects included "The Two Connecticuts: Public vs. Private Employment in the Nutmeg State," "Fifteen Years of Folly: The Failures of Connecticut's Income Tax," "Reform Spending, Relieve Taxpayers: *Real* Property-Tax Relief for Connecticut," and "Growing Connecticut's Economy: Corporatism vs. Capitalism." Established the Institute's media operation, spoke before business and civic groups, and appeared on radio/television programs.

Nevada Policy Research Institute
Director of Publications
3/1997 – 3/2002

Researched, wrote, and edited issue briefs, studies, and articles for the magazine *Nevada Journal*. Established the Institute's media operation. Wrote

and recorded daily radio commentaries and wrote, produced, and appeared as a panelist on the Institute's weekly television program.

National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation
Communications Coordinator
5/1996 – 11/1996

Wrote and edited fundraising letters, donor correspondence, and newsletter articles. Oversaw the design and implementation of the Foundation's website and autofax document-delivery system. Participated in both local and national media campaigns.

Media Research Center
Intern
10/1992 – 3/1994

Analyzed news programs, with special focus on the Public Broadcasting Service. Assisted with fact-checking, proofreading, and other editorial tasks. Conducted a three-year study of the documentary series *Frontline*.

RECENT COLUMNS THAT APPEARED IN PRINT

"It's time to repeal the tax on corporations," *The (Windham) Chronicle*, April 17, 2010

"Is there a real opposition party in the wings?" *The (Windham) Chronicle*, April 10, 2010

"Amazon tax coming soon," (Bridgeport) *Connecticut Post*, March 28, 2010

"Connecticut falls for the college con," (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, March 21, 2010

"Census should be about more than goodies," (Bridgeport) *Connecticut Post*, March 21, 2010

"Slandering the Service Sector," *Business New Haven*, March 8, 2010

"For towns, the payouts are never big enough," *The (Windham) Chronicle*, March 6, 2010

"Randal the transportation-myth slayer," (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, February 28, 2010

"No end to profligacy," (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, February 21, 2010

“Good riddance to Moondoggle Redux,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, February 17, 2010

“Duck when public employee unions attack,” *The (Windham) Chronicle*, February 6, 2010

“Simmons runs from his record,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, January 27, 2010

“Murphy’s faux economic patriotism,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, January 20, 2010

“What will grow from the rich compost of 2009?” *The (Windham) Chronicle*, January 16, 2010

“The bad and the ugly abound in 2009,” *The (Windham) Chronicle*, January 9, 2010

“Would-be governors, it's time for some answers,” (Bridgeport) *Connecticut Post*, December 27, 2009

“A hint of privatization,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, December 23, 2009

“McMahon is looking like a contender,” *The (Windham) Chronicle*, December 19, 2009

“Just dying to pay taxes,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, December 16, 2009

“Naugatuck offers glimpse of the future,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, December 6, 2009

“How Washington bureaucracy spreads its wings,” *The (Windham) Chronicle*, November 28, 2009

“ARRA stimulates the government class,” *The (Windham) Chronicle*, November 21, 2009

“Tobacco road grows busier,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, October 27, 2009

“Rules Are Different for the Rulers,” (Bridgeport) *Connecticut Post*, October 18, 2009

“Indians making their presence known quickly,” *The (Windham) Chronicle*, October 17, 2009

“Big Government: In Connecticut, it’s the law,” *The (Windham) Chronicle*, October 10, 2009

“Don’t believe the corporacrats,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, September 30, 2009

“Grandma and Grandpa are bankrupting us,” (Bridgeport) *Connecticut Post*, September 27, 2009

“Pratt & Whitney provides a teachable moment,” *The (Windham) Chronicle*, September 19, 2009

“It’s not about ‘millionaires,’” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, September 8, 2009

“Redevelopment Roundup: It's Ugly,” (Bridgeport) *Connecticut Post*, August 30, 2009

“The costliest state in the union,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, August 23, 2009

“Leading Dodd challengers not best selection,” *The (Windham) Chronicle*, August 15, 2009

“Ain’t so, Joe,” *The (East Hartford) Gazette*, August 14, 2009

“Unworkable power grab,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, August 12, 2009

“Wildlife bearing up quite well in state,” *The (Windham) Chronicle*, August 8, 2009

“Government outsources the lunch lady,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, August 5, 2009

“Unions loath to submit to competition,” (Bridgeport) *Connecticut Post*, July 26, 2009

“Too cool for summer vacation,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, July 22, 2009

“UConn publication: Journal or propaganda?,” *The (Windham) Chronicle*, July 11, 2009

“Time to put Government, Inc. out of business,” *The (Windham) Chronicle*, July 4, 2009

“An expensive and unworkable federal power grab,” (Bridgeport) *Connecticut Post*, June 25, 2009

“Zero job growth, higher taxes and a fading future,” (Bridgeport) *Connecticut Post*, June 14, 2009

“Auditors point the way toward sane spending,” *The (Windham) Chronicle*, June 13, 2009

“Competition is finally working ... so kill it,” *The (Windham) Chronicle*, June 6, 2009

“A solution for nuclear leftovers,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, May 29, 2009

“State’s bicycle buffoonery,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, May 20, 2009

“Mandates: bad for your health,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, May 13, 2009

“Tax freedom is slipping away,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, May 9, 2009

“Every community should post public salaries, benefits,” (Bridgeport) *Connecticut Post*, April 26, 2009

“Promote the New Haven 20,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, April 22, 2009

“Live by the pork barrel, die by the pork barrel,” *The (Windham) Chronicle*, April 18, 2009

“A boom for corporate welfare,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, April 8, 2009

“Simmons not the best choice,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, March 25, 2009

“Hope for smaller government,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, March 18, 2009

“Another ‘clean elections’ failure,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, March 11, 2009

“A revival of regionalists,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, March 4, 2009

“Greyfields’ and the government,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, February 25, 2009

“Finally taking on public employee salaries,” (Bridgeport) *Connecticut Post*, February 15, 2009

“The Little Pink House & Its Enemies,” *Business New Haven*, February 9, 2009

“Transit madness on Capitol Hill,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, February 2, 2009

“A last bastion of capitalism,” (Bridgeport) *Connecticut Post*, January 25, 2009

“Real solutions elude municipal leaders,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, January 21, 2009

“Facing reality on state’s shape,” (Waterbury) *Republican-American*, January 12, 2009

“Educrat-turned-reformer takes on schools,” *The (Windham) Chronicle*, January 10, 2009

RECENT MEDIA APPEARANCES

“The Dan Lovallo Show” (guest host) WDRC/WMMW/WSNG/WWCO, March 14, 2010

“The Dan Lovallo Show” WDRC/WMMW/WSNG/WWCO, March 5, 2010

“The Dan Lovallo Show” WDRC/WMMW/WSNG/WWCO, September 4, 2009

“The Dan Lovallo Show” WDRC/WMMW/WSNG/WWCO, August 13, 2009

“The Dan Lovallo Show” WDRC/WMMW/WSNG/WWCO, July 23, 2009

“The Dan Lovallo Show” WDRC/WMMW/WSNG/WWCO, June 16, 2009

“The Dan Lovallo Show” WDRC/WMMW/WSNG/WWCO, April 22, 2009

“The Dan Lovallo Show” WDRC/WMMW/WSNG/WWCO, April 9, 2009

“The Dan Lovallo Show” WDRC/WMMW/WSNG/WWCO, March 26, 2009

“The Dan Lovallo Show” WDRC/WMMW/WSNG/WWCO, March 4, 2009

“The Brad Davis Show” WDRC/WMMW/WSNG/WWCO, February 19, 2009

“The Dan Lovallo Show” WDRC/WMMW/WSNG/WWCO, February 3, 2009

“The Dan Lovallo Show” WDRC/WMMW/WSNG/WWCO, January 9, 2009