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# Biographical Sketch

John Mitchell received his B.A. degree from Williams College and his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Oregon. He is a fellow of the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Oregon and a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He was a professor of economics at Boise State University for 13 years, before joining U.S. Bancorp in July of 1983. He was Chief Economist of U.S. Bancorp until July of 1998 and served as Economist Western Region for US Bank until July of 2007. He wrote US. Bancorp’s regional publications including the *Update*, *The Business Barometer,* *Northwest Portrait, and US Territory* and was a columnist for *Oregon Business Magazine*. He wrote Sterling Bank’s economic newsletter from 2007 to 2012 and continues to write for regional publications. He currently speaks to conventions and business groups around the nation. He was a business analyst for KPTV in Portland. He has been making economic presentations on the nation and the region for more than 45 years.

John was a member of the *Western Blue Chip* Forecast Panel, the ABA’s Panel of Economists and is a Trustee of the Aquila Tax Free Trust of Oregon, a board member of Oregon Mutual Insurance Company and Northwest Bank. John was Chairman of the Oregon Council of Economic Advisors from 1992 to 1998 and a member from 1984 to 1998. He was Chairman of Governor Kitzhaber’s Tax Review Technical Advisory Committee.

John and his wife Carol divide their time between the Portland area and Coeur d’Alene. He enjoys biking, railroading sea kayaking and his granddaughters.

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