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Coordinator for the Strategic Initiative on State and Local Government for the Partnership Illinois Program.
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DFG-Mercator Visiting Professor („Future of Health Care: The Social Contract and the Impact of Life Sciences“), Charité University Medicine, Berlin

Education/Degrees: B.A. Oberlin College
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Faculty at the University of Michigan, Princeton University, Carnegie-Mellon University
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Faculty Appointments:

1974-1975 University of Chicago
1975-1976 University of Michigan, Institute for Social Research
1976-1982 Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University
1982-1986 Faculty of the Heinz School of Urban and Public Affairs at Carnegie-Mellon University
since 1986 Faculty of the University of Illinois (Ph.D.)
1986-1997 Rector of the Institute of Government and Public Affairs
1993-1994 Sabbatical leave in Washington D.C. at the John Hopkins University Center for the Study of American Government

Research:

Rich has designed and conducted executive development programs for many public and private organizations over the past twenty years. Much of his work has been on strategic planning. He has worked for the U.S. government, state government, county and local level governments and several corporations.

Over the past fifteen years, Professor Rich's work has concentrated on **social contract theory** as it relates to the development of health law and policy, major changes in health and mental health law and policy, managed care regulation, innovations in information technology and its application, and federalism and health policy in the United States and in the European Union.

His most recent published work in the *JOURNAL OF LABOR LAW AND POLICY* focuses on the development of the social contract as it relates to social insurance and health care in the United States and in the Europe, with a special emphasis on Germany. This work also documents the role of the trans-atlantic connection in the development of these policies.

Other recent work published in the *JOURNAL OF TECHNOLOGY, LAW, AND POLICY* examines the role of information technology in the development of higher education policy and practices.

Over the past five years, Rich also published a book and several articles on federalism and the role of the American states. This is directly connected to explaining the changing nature of the social contract in the United States and Europe. Rich also has published work in the area of the regulation of human gene therapy and he served on a committee of the United States Government which was assigned the responsibility for regulation of human gene therapy.

Relevant Experiences and Expertise:

Over the past twenty years, Professor Rich's work has concentrated health policy and law, mental health policy and law and, more recently, on social contract theory as it relates to the development of health law and policy. In addition, he has published widely in the area of federalism and health care. His current work is also focused on managed care regulation and its implementation, major changes in the social contract and the affects of these changes on health and mental health laws in the United States and in the European Union. Rich has also been actively engaged in the policy making process on critical issues in bioethics: he served on the first U.S. government advisory committee on human gene therapy and has continued to be involved as a consultant to government on issues of bioethics. His work has also focused on innovations in information technology and its affect on the development and implementation of policy.

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