

## Speaker Biographies

### Gary Anders

Gary Anders is a Professor of Economics in the School of Global Management and Leadership at Arizona State University. His recent work examines the various types of impacts that are associated with the rise of commercial gambling.

### Katherine Spilde Contreras

Katherine Spilde Contreras, Ph.D., is Managing Director for the Center for California Native Nations at the University of California at Riverside (UCR). Previously, Kate was a Sr. Research Associate at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government, where she worked for the Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development. Prior to her appointment at Harvard, she was the Director of Research for the National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA), an association of 184 tribal governments based in Washington, D.C. While at NIGA, Kate developed the National Indian Gaming Library and Resource Center. In addition, Kate was a policy analyst/writer for the National Gambling Impact Study Commission, a federal commission that produced a comprehensive study of U.S. gambling policy for Congress and President Clinton in 1999. In 2003, Dr. Contreras was named one of the "Top 10 People in Gaming Under 40" by *Global Gaming Business Magazine*; in 2007, she was named one of 10 "Great Women of Gaming" by *Casino Executive Magazine*.

### Richard H. Wells

Richard Wells is founder and President of Wells Gaming Research, a Nevada Corporation that provides Casino Player Count Service™, a market share tracking service, monitoring over 160 casinos in Nevada, Mississippi, Louisiana, New Mexico, and California. Wells has fifteen years experience as a senior executive in the casino-hotel industry and has also held positions in senior management, strategic and operational planning, and financial analysis for a large regional bank and a major international oil company. He holds a B.S. degree in business from Oklahoma State University and completed a postgraduate program in Systems Dynamics at M.I.T.

### Dean R. Gerstein

Dean R. Gerstein is vice provost and director of research at Claremont Graduate University. At the National Opinion Research Center (NORC) at the University of Chicago from 1990-2006, his roles included senior vice president; founding director of both the Washington DC office and the Department of Substance Abuse, Mental Health and Criminal Justice Studies; and principal investigator of the Gambling Impact and Behavior Study, California Drug and Alcohol Treatment Assessment, National Treatment

Improvement Evaluation Study, and Arrestee Drug Abuse Monitoring program, among other projects. His work at NORC built on earlier experience (1978-1992) as a study director, principal staff officer, and co-author of 15 reports from the National Academy of Sciences, including Alcohol and Public Policy, Treating Drug Problems, and Leading Edges in Social and Behavioral Science. A Los Angeles native, he was educated at Reed College (B.A., 1970) and Harvard University (Ph.D., sociology, 1976), and he held postdoctoral fellowships and faculty positions at UCLA and UCSD. He has authored/coauthored more than 70 trade books and research articles, largely transdisciplinary in nature, including venues such as Annual Review of Sociology, Managerial and Decision Economics, Journal of Quantitative Criminology, American Journal of Public Health, and New England Journal of Medicine. He has also written more than 50 reports to federal, state, and local government agencies and published occasional pieces in newspapers such as

the Los Angeles Times, Chicago Tribune, and St Louis Post-Dispatch.

### **Philip N. Hogen**

Philip N. Hogen, an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe of the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota, is currently serving a three-year term as Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission. Prior to this appointment, Mr. Hogen was Associate Solicitor for the Division of Indian Affairs, Office of the Solicitor, U.S. Department of the Interior, where he oversaw legal matters pertaining to the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Department of the Interior's fulfillment of its government-to-government relationship with Indian Tribes, and its trust responsibilities to Indians and Indian Tribes. The Division of Indian Affairs includes the Branch of General Indian Legal Activities, the Branch of Tribal Government and Alaska, the Branch of Environment, Lands and Minerals, the Branch of Water and Power, and the Branch of Trust Reform and Litigation. Mr. Hogen joined the Department in 2001 from the private practice of Indian law in Rapid City, SD, where he was affiliated with the national law firm of Holland & Knight LLP. Before commencing that practice Mr. Hogen served as an Associate Member and the Vice Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission. Mr. Hogen was the first director of the Department's Office of American Indian Trust. Prior to having been named to that post, Mr. Hogen was the United States Attorney for the District of South Dakota, serving in that position for more than ten years. While serving as U.S. Attorney, Mr. Hogen served as the Department of Justice's Indian Affairs Subcommittee of the Attorney General's Advisory Committee. Mr. Hogen earned his law degree at the University of South Dakota (1970), and his undergraduate degree at Augustana College in Sioux Falls, SD (1967).

### **Alan Meister**

Dr. Meister is an economist specializing in the application of economics to complex business issues, commercial litigation, and regulatory matters. His areas of expertise include Indian gaming, economic impact analyses, market analyses, economic planning and policy, antitrust, regulation, statistics, and the calculation of economic damages in commercial litigation. Dr. Meister has extensive experience analyzing economic issues related to Indian gaming. His work has included market analyses, economic impact studies, feasibility studies, surveys, analyses of gaming compacts and revenue sharing, assessments of regulatory policies, and expert testimony in litigation matters. He has also conducted years of independent, academic research on Indian gaming and authored a number of publications on the subject. Most notable has been his annual Indian gaming study, the *Indian Gaming Industry Report*, which has received national recognition. His Indian gaming work is regularly cited by the press and relied upon by the gaming industry, governments, and the investment community. Dr. Meister's research and analyses have also been relied upon before the United States Supreme Court and a panel of the World Trade Organization, and he has been commissioned by the National Indian Gaming Commission to analyze the effects of regulatory changes. Furthermore, he has presented his work at various academic, professional, and industry conferences and testified before the California State Senate regarding Indian gaming issues. Dr. Meister holds a B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. in Economics from the University of California, Irvine.

### **Richard D. Pomp**

Richard D. Pomp is the Alva P. Loiselle Professor of Law. He is a summa cum laude graduate of the University of Michigan and a magna cum laude graduate of Harvard Law School. He has taught at Harvard, NYU, Texas, and BC. In addition, he has been a Distinguished Professor in Residence, Chulalongkorn Law School, Bangkok, Thailand, and a Visiting Scholar at the University of Tokyo Law School and at Harvard Law School. From 1981 to 1987, Professor Pomp was Director of the New York Tax Study Commission, a period during which New York restructured its personal and corporate income tax, and created an independent tax tribunal. Professor Pomp serves as an expert witness in various courts throughout the country and as a litigation consultant to law firms, corporations, accounting firms, and state tax administrations. He has participated in various capacities in Supreme Court litigation. Professor Pomp has also served as a consultant to cities, states, the Multistate Tax Commission, the Navajo Nation, the U.S. Congress, the U.S. Treasury, the Department of Jus-

tice, the IRS, the United Nations, the IMF, the World Bank, and numerous foreign countries, including the People's Republic of China, the Republic of China, Indonesia, the Gambia, Zambia, Mexico, the Philippines, Pakistan, India, and Viet Nam.

### **Terri Sexton**

Terri Sexton is a Professor of Economics at California State University, Sacramento and Associate Director of the Center for State and Local Taxation at the University of California at Davis. She holds a B.S. in economics, a Bachelor of Mathematics, and a Ph.D in economics from the University of Minnesota. Sexton's research has focused on the economic and fiscal impacts of various state and local taxes including a comprehensive study of Proposition 13, with Steven M. Sheffrin and Arthur O'Sullivan, that culminated in *Property Taxes and Tax Revolts: The Legacy of Proposition 13* (Cambridge University Press, 1995), an examination of the impacts of electric utility deregulation on property taxes in California and other western states, analysis of various sales tax and property tax reforms including the feasibility of implementing a single rate sales tax in California, and evaluation of California's telecommunications tax policy. Her research has appeared in such publications as *National Tax Journal*, *Land Economics*, *Rand Journal of Economics*, and *Journal of Urban Economics*.

### **Steven M. Sheffrin**

Steven M. Sheffrin directs the Center for State and Local Taxation. Sheffrin is dean of the division of social sciences and professor of economics at UC Davis. Sheffrin holds a B.A. from the College of Social Studies, Wesleyan University, and a Ph.D. in Economics from Massachusetts Institute of Technology. His book *Rational Expectations* (now in its second edition from Cambridge University Press) is a highly regarded introduction to this important theory. He is also the author of several books in political economy and macroeconomics, as well as *Economics: Principles and Tools* (with Arthur O'Sullivan), an introductory economics textbook. Sheffrin's work in tax policy focuses on practical, policy-oriented issues, including property taxation and tax compliance. He has consulted widely and participated in a major tax reform study by the California Business-Higher Education Forum.