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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, US Territory*, *Oregon Tidbits* and was a columnist for *Oregon Business Magazine*. He currently speaks to conventions and business groups around the nation and writes Sterling Savings Bank's newsletter. He was a business analyst for KPTV in Portland. He has been making economic presentations on the nation and the region for more than 39 years.

John is a member of the *Western Blue Chip* Forecast Panel, a Trustee of Aquila Tax Free Trust of Oregon, a board member of Oregon Mutual Insurance Company and Western Capital Bancorp in Boise, Idaho. John was Chairman of the Oregon Council of Economic Advisors from 1992 to 1998 and a member from 1984 to 1998. John was Chairman of the Oregon Governor's Technical Advisory Committee on Tax Review and Chairman of the Life Flight Consortium. He is a member of the MoW crew on the Cumbres and Toltec Scenic Railroad in New Mexico.

John and his wife, Carol, live in the Portland area and he enjoys biking, sea kayaking, railroading and his granddaughters.