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## **EDUCATION**

B.A. (1967) Rutgers University–Camden  
M.A. (1969) and Ph.D. (1974) U.S. History, Rutgers University–New Brunswick

## **CURRENT POSITION**

- Distinguished Professor of History and University Professor, Rutgers University

## **PREVIOUS POSITIONS**

### **2010-2011: Rutgers University**

- Executive Dean, Faculty of Arts and Sciences and the Graduate School, Camden Campus
- Distinguished Professor of History and University Professor

### **2007-2009: Rutgers University**

- Interim Chancellor (position changed from provost to chancellor in April, 2008) Camden Campus
- Distinguished Professor of History, 1998-present (tenured, 1998)
- University Professor, 2009-present

### **2009-2010, and 1998-2007: Rutgers University**

- Dean, Faculty of Arts and Sciences and the Graduate School, Camden Campus
- Distinguished Professor of History, 1998-present
- University Professor, 2009-present

### **1991-1998: Temple University**

- Professor of History (Tenured 1991)
- Chair, Department of History, 1997-8

### **1975-1991: Richard Stockton College of New Jersey**

- from Assistant Professor to Professor of History (Tenured 1980)
- Chair/Dean (title changed from Dean to Chair, then back to Dean), Faculty of Arts and Humanities, 1984-85
- Interim Dean, Faculty of Arts and Humanities, 1987-89.
- Four terms as Coordinator (Chair) of the History Program

### **January-December 1983: University of Pennsylvania**

- Visiting Scholar, American Civilization

Before holding her position at Stockton, Marsh spent one year as Assistant Professor of History at Bergen Community College, 1974-75 and one year at Richmond College of the City University of New York as Visiting Instructor of American Studies, 1973-74. (Richmond College is now merged with the College of Staten Island). As a Ph.D. Student at Rutgers, she served as a teaching assistant and instructor at Douglass, Livingston, and Rutgers Colleges.

**PRINCIPAL RESEARCH INTERESTS:** History of Reproductive Medicine and Reproductive Technology; Ethical Issues in Reproductive Medicine and Technology; Reproductive Sexuality; Women's Health and Health Policy; Reproductive Health Policy

**PRINCIPAL TEACHING INTERESTS:** History of Reproductive Medicine, Women's and Gender History, History of Women's Health, Perspectives on Health and Health Policy, Marriage in Historical Perspective.

### **CURRENT RESEARCH:**

A book-in-progress on the subject of Infertility and Assisted Reproduction from the Development of in vitro Fertilization to the Present – Medicine, Culture, Policy, and Practice.

A collaboration with Wanda Ronner, this book will offer a comprehensive historical perspective of the changing dimensions of infertility treatment and the unprecedented ways by which families can be produced with the new reproductive technologies. Because the United States is virtually the only developed nation with no national policy on assisted reproduction, it has been called the "wild west" of reproductive medicine. For forty years now, the federal government has refused to fund, regulate, prohibit or approve reproductive technologies or practices such as in vitro fertilization, sperm, egg and embryo donation, or the use of gestational carriers and surrogates.

Societal conflicts involving reproductive technology have been so deep and divisive that the nation, unable to find common ground, has by default agreed to let the market determine access to these services. How and why did this state of affairs develop? What have been its effects on potential parents, gamete donors and surrogates, researchers, practitioners, and the larger society? And what might be done to change the situation? These questions lie at the heart of this work, and we address them in the following ways: 1) by offering a comprehensive historical perspective of the changing dimensions of infertility treatment and the unprecedented ways by which families can be produced with the new reproductive technologies; 2) by illuminating the larger societal forces that bear on patients, practitioners, gamete donors, gestational surrogates, insurance providers, legislators and others involved in reproductive decision-making; 3) by exploring how reproductive research and practice have both shaped and been shaped by changes in medical practice, family life, gender roles, marriage, socioeconomic class, and race; and 4) by using these findings as a basis for making recommendations on policy and practice.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **BOOKS:**

- *The Fertility Doctor: John Rock and the Reproductive Revolution*, (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2008). Co-authored with Wanda Ronner. Funded by a multi-year research grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.
- *The Empty Cradle: Infertility in America from Colonial Times to the Present*, with Wanda Ronner. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 1996. Funded by a multi-year research grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.  
*A Choice Outstanding Academic Book for 1996*  
*Paperback, Johns Hopkins University Press, 1999.*
- *Suburban Lives*. New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press, 1990.
- *Anarchist Women, 1870-1920*. Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 1981.

### **SELECTED ARTICLES AND REVIEW ESSAYS:**

“The Past as Prologue: Americans and Assisted Reproduction,” in Gayle Davis and Tracey Loughran, *A Handbook of Infertility: Approaches, Contexts, and Perspectives*. London: Palgrave Macmillan, in press, forthcoming, 2016.

“A Retrospective Look at Prescription Drug Safety: Oral Contraceptives and Thromboembolic Disease in the 1960s,” *MDAdvisor* 3:4 (Fall, 2010) 10-17. With Wanda Ronner.

“The Politics of the Body and the Body Politic,” *Journal of Women’s History* (Fall, 2008), 180-186.

“Urban Views and Suburban Landscapes: A 21<sup>st</sup> Century Assessment of the History of Metropolitan Development,” *Journal of Urban History* (Spring, 2007), 645-651.

“Infertility,” essay for the *Encyclopedia of Disability* (Sage Publications, 2006), Vol II, 954-956.

“Margaret Sanger,” Introductory Essay for new edition of Margaret Sanger’s *Motherhood in Bondage*, Ohio State University Press, 2000.

“Ovarian Transplantation: An Early Form of Reproductive Technology,” *ACOG Clinical Review* 4:5 (September/October 1999). With Wanda Ronner.

“Motherhood Denied: Women and Infertility in Historical Perspective,” *Mothers and Motherhood: Readings in American History*, ed. by Janet Golden and Rima Apple, Ohio State University Press, 1997.

“(Ms)Reading the Suburbs,” *American Quarterly* 46 (March 1994)

“Biology is Destiny, Once Again,” *American Quarterly* 45 (June 1993)

“Old Forms, New Visions: New Directions in United States Urban History,” *Pennsylvania History*, (January 1992)

“Popular Medical Guides and the Study of Women’s History,” *Fugitive Leaves from the Historical Collections* (Published by the Library of the Philadelphia College of Physicians), (Spring, 1991).

“Historians and the Suburbs,” *Magazine of History* 5 (Fall, 1990)

“From Separation to Togetherness: The Social Construction of Domestic Space in American Suburbs, 1840 – 1915,” *Journal of American History* (September, 1989).

“Reconsidering the Suburbs,” *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography* (October, 1988).

“Suburban Men and Masculine Domesticity, 1870 – 1915,” *American Quarterly* (Summer, 1988). Revised version in Mark Carnes and Clyde Griffen, eds. Meanings for Manhood, University of Chicago Press, 1990.

“Voltairine de Cleyre” and “Florence Finch Kelly.” Two biographical articles in Alden Whitman, ed. American Reformers. New York: H.W. Wilson, 1985.

“The Impact of the Market Street ‘El’ on Northern West Philadelphia: Environmental Change and Social Transformation, 1900-1930,” in William Cutler III and Howard Gillette, Jr. eds., *The Divided Metropolis*. Westport, Conn.: Greenwood Press, 1980.

“The Anarchist-Feminist Response to the ‘Woman Question’ in Late Nineteenth Century America,” *American Quarterly* (Fall, 1978).

“Suburbanization and the Search for Community: Residential Decentralization in Philadelphia, 1880-1900,” *Pennsylvania History* (April, 1977).

“The Lure of the Suburbs,” with Samuel Kaplan, in Philip C. Dolce, ed., *Suburbia: the American Dream and Dilemma*. New York: Doubleday, 1976.

“Residential Segregation and the American City, 1860-1930: Philadelphia as a Test Case,” *Richmond Historian* (Summer, 1975).

### **BOOK REVIEWS:**

1979-present: Dozens of Reviews in *American Historical Review*; *Journal of American History*; *Illinois Historical Journal*; *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*; *Pennsylvania History*; *New Jersey History*; *Choice*; *Journal of the History of Medicine and Allied Sciences*; *Bulletin of the History of Medicine*.

### **SELECTED ACADEMIC CONFERENCE PAPERS, KEYNOTE, and INVITED ADDRESSES**

“Conception in a Watch Glass”: Exploring Human IVF in the 1930s and 1940s.” (with Wanda Ronner) Invited Talk, Symposium on Maternal and Fetal Bodies, Rutgers University, November 9, 2013.

“Infertility and Beyond: Writing the History of Reproductive Medicine in the 21st Century,” Keynote Address, *Infertility in History, Science, and Culture*, University of Edinburgh (Scotland), July 4, 2013.

“The Fertility Doctor Meets the Pill.” *Conceiving the Pill: Modern Contraception in Historical Perspective*, Harvard University School of Medicine, Countway Library, March 26, 2009.

Keynote Address: “The Fertility Doctor: John Rock and the Reproductive Revolution,” 2009 History of Women’s Health Conference, Pennsylvania Hospital, University of Pennsylvania, April 22, 2009. With Wanda Ronner.

“A Boon for the Barren Woman’: John Rock’s Human In Vitro Fertilization Research at the Free Hospital for Women, 1938-1944.” Annual Meeting of the American Association for the History of Medicine, April, 2005. (With Wanda Ronner.)

Invited Address, “The Discovery and Use of “Female” Sex Hormones in the Twentieth Century,” International Conference, *Women’s Bodies, Women’s History University of Melbourne (Australia)*, June 21, 2001. (American Scholar Participant funded by a grant from the National Science Foundation.)

Invited speaker, “Rethinking the Crabgrass Frontier,” *Redefining Suburban Studies: Searching for a New Paradigm*,” Hofstra University, March 31, 2001.

Plenary Speaker, “Power and Expertise in Medicine,” *Writing the Past, Claiming the Future: Women and Gender in Science, Medicine, and Technology*. (With Wanda Ronner, M.D.) St. Louis University, October 13, 2000.

“Woman as Patient/Woman as Research Subject: Early Experiments in Reproductive Technology” Berkshire Conference, June 1999.

“Ethics and Embryos: The Rock-Hertig Study, 1938-1850” American Association for the History of Medicine, April 1997.

“The First ‘Test-tube’ Babies: Artificial Insemination in Historical Perspective,” Annual Meeting of the Organization of American Historians, 1995.

“Purely Surgical? J. Marion Sims, the Woman’s Hospital, and the Technology of Reproduction in Mid-Nineteenth Century America,” Hagley Center for the History of Business, Technology, and Society, March 18, 1993.

“Old Forms, New Visions: New Directions in American Urban History,” Plenary Session, Pennsylvania Historical Association, October 17, 1991.

“Ovists, Animalculists, and the Barren Woman in Late Eighteenth and Early Nineteenth Century America,” College of Physicians of Philadelphia, March 20, 1991. (With Wanda Ronner)

“The Sterile Couple: Cultural Attitudes and Medical Treatment in Late Nineteenth Century America.” Invited Lecture, first delivered at the 37th Annual Meeting of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, May 1989. Revised version delivered at the Philadelphia College of Physicians, November, 1989. (With Wanda Ronner.)

“The Suburban House: The Social Implications of Environmental Choice.” Annual Meeting of the Organization of American Historians, April, 1986.

“Suburban Men and Masculine Domesticity in Early Twentieth Century America.” Columbia University, Seminar on the City, November, 1985.

“Feminism and Free Love at the Turn of the Twentieth Century.” Sixth Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Smith College, June 3, 1984.

“Suburbanization and Domesticity in Late 19th Century America: Overbrook Farms, Philadelphia.” Annual Meeting of the Organization of American Historians, April, 1982.

## **CONTRACT RESEARCH**

- Galloway Township, New Jersey: A Demographic Analysis. Pomona: Stockton College Center for Environmental Research, 1978.(with Mirijana Beram.)

## **OTHER SELECTED PUBLIC and UNIVERSITY LECTURES, 1991- present**

*On Infertility, Reproductive Medicine and Reproductive Technology:*

- Perelman School of Medicine of the University of Pennsylvania, June 2015

- University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing, March 2014
- Rutgers University, Douglass College, February 2013
- University of Pennsylvania Medical School, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, March 2011 (Grand Rounds)
- Northwestern University, Oncofertility Consortium, 2011 (Virtual Grand Rounds)
- Drexel University College of Medicine, 2010
- Pennsylvania Hospital, 2001
- Reading (Pennsylvania) Medical Center, March 2000
- University of Pennsylvania Bioethics Seminar, February 2000
- University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey: School of Osteopathic Medicine, 1999
- Corporate Lecture, Medical History Society of New Jersey, 1999
- University of Pennsylvania, 1997
- Rutgers University, Camden, 1996
- Hahnemann University, 1994
- Lake Forest College, 1993
- Rutgers University — Camden, 1991
- University of Utah, 1991
- University of California — San Francisco
- (1991 Culpeper Lecture in the History of Medicine)

*On the History of Women, the Family:*

- Bergen Community College, 1999
- City University of New York, College of Staten Island, 1998
- Irwin School, 1993
- Bergen Community College, 1992

*On Suburbanization and its History:*

- University of California, Los Angeles, 1994
- Atwater Kent Museum, 1992

## **HONORS, GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS**

- 2014-2017 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Investigator Award in Health Policy Research.
- 2010 Rutgers University, Hall of Distinguished Alumni
- 2004, Elected Honorary Member, Phi Beta Kappa, Alpha Chapter, Rutgers University
- 1999-2005 National Endowment for the Humanities, Research Division. “John Rock and the Twentieth Century Reproductive Revolution.” PI. Original grant for three years, with two year no-cost extension to 6/30/2005)
- 1997 *The Empty Cradle* named a **Choice Outstanding Academic Book for 1996**
- 1996 Paul W. Eberman Faculty Research Prize, Temple University (Temple University’s major research prize, one recipient each year)
- 1996 Summer Research Fellowship, Temple University

- 1996-97 Grant in Aid of Research, Temple University
- 1990-94 National Endowment for the Humanities, Research Division. “Infertility in 19th and 20th Century America: Medicine, Culture, and Society.” PI. Original grant for three years, with two year no-cost extension to 6/30/1994.
- 1988 Distinguished Faculty Fellowship, Richard Stockton College of New Jersey
- 1988 ACOG-ORTHO Fellowship in The History of American Obstetrics and Gynecology. (Awarded by the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.)
- 1986 New Jersey Department of Higher Education. “The Constitution and Minorities in the Twentieth Century.”
- 1986 Career Development Committee Award, Stockton State College.
- 1985 Research and Professional Development and Career Development Committees, Stockton State College. Study Leave, Travel Award, and Research Stipend.
- 1993 National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship
- 1980 Merit (Early) Promotion to Associate Professor.
- 1980 New Jersey Committee for the Humanities. “New Jersey at War.”
- 1977-81 Four Grants from the Research and Professional Development Committee for released time and summer research, Stockton State College.
- 1973-74 Research Grant, Rutgers University.
- 1970-73 Graduate Teaching Assistantships, Rutgers University.
- 1964-67 Academic Scholarship, Rutgers University, Camden.

## **SELECTED PROFESSIONAL AND PUBLIC SERVICE:**

### **OFFICES HELD:**

- Richard Stockton Foundation: Vice-President, Board of Trustees, 1977-1981
- Urban History Association
  - Board of Directors, January 1994- December 1996 (Nominating Committee, 1996-98)
  - Chair, North American Book Prize Committee, 1992
- American Association for the History of Medicine: Chair, Finance Committee, 2004-2008
- American Association for the History of Medicine: Treasurer and Member of Executive Committee, 2009-2015

### **SELECTED PROFESSIONAL BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS:**

- New Jersey Historical Commission, Programs and Publications Committee, 2015-present
- American Association for the History of Medicine: Finance Committee, 2001- 08, 2016; Ad Hoc Committee to Endow the Association’s Prizes, 2003-04
- American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists: Selection Committee for History Fellows, 1990-present
- Ford Foundation and New York University: Liaison Officer, Faculty Resources Network, 1984-85
- New Jersey Council for the Humanities: Member, 1983-1990



- New Jersey Department of Higher Education: College Outcomes Evaluation Committee (Research and Scholarship Subcommittee), 1986-1988
- Organization of American Historians: Membership Committee, 1995 – 1998
- Pennsylvania Historical Association: Publications Committee, 1995- 1997; Nominations Committee, 1994-1995
- “Reclaiming Women’s History through Historic Preservation”: Conference Planning Committee, 1993-1994

#### **NON-PROFIT BOARD MEMBERSHIPS:**

- 2006-2016: Planned Parenthood of Southern New Jersey (Treasurer, Member of Executive Committee)
- 2010-2012: Campus Philly (Chair, Fundraising Committee)
- 2012- Member, Board of Managers, Moore College of Art and Design (Chair, Academic Affairs Committee; Member, Executive Committee)

#### **NATIONAL MEDIA ACTIVITIES (selected):**

- “Test-Tube Babies,” PBS American Experience Program, premiered 2006
- “The Pill,” PBS American Experience Program, premiered 2003
- Discovery Health Channel, Sex and Serendipity, aired April 2002
- script consultant to independent film maker Mel Bucklin, Emma Goldman Film Project 1999-2000
- Consultant to NPR series on infertility, “The Fertility Race,” first broadcast 1997.

#### **CONFERENCES AND SCHOLARLY MEETINGS, PANEL CHAIR AND/OR COMMENTATOR:**

- American Historical Association, 1997, 1991.
- Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, 1996, 1987.
- Modes of Inquiry in Urban History, 1990.
- Organization of American Historians, 2013, 1999, 1993, 1989, 1987, 1985.
- Social Science History, 1997
- Society for American City and Regional Planning History, 1993, 1997, 2001, 2003

#### **GRANT AND MANUSCRIPT REVIEWS:**

National Endowment for the Humanities; American Quarterly; Journal of American History; Journal of Policy History; Journal of Women’s History; University of Illinois Press; University of Massachusetts Press, Rutgers University Press; Temple University Press; Princeton University Press; Harvard University Press; Johns Hopkins University Press; University of Pennsylvania Press.

#### **ACADEMIC ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP:**

- American Historical Association

- Organization of American Historians
- American Association for the History of Medicine
- American Society for Reproductive Medicine
- History of Science Society

### **SELECTED UNIVERSITY SERVICE:**

*Rutgers University:* Chair, Rutgers Research Council, 2012- present; Co-Chair, Institute for Health Strategic Planning Committee, 2016; Member, Academic Unit Organization Committee (Presidential Committee), 2014- present ; Member, Executive Committee, Institute for Health, 2014- present ; Chair, Search Committee for the Executive Dean of Arts and Sciences in New Brunswick, 2013-14; Member, Search Committee for the Director of the Institute for Health, 2013- 2014; Chair, Building on Excellence Subcommittee, Strategic Planning Committee, 2013; Member, President's Cabinet; Member, University Promotion and Review Committee, 2007-2009; as dean, several committees on which I served by virtue of the dean (including co-chairing from 1999-2001 the Liberal Arts and Sciences Subcommittee of the Strategic Resources Opportunities Allocation Fund which distributed \$4 Million annually to develop new strategic initiatives under the university's former president); Committee to Restructure New Jersey's Research Universities (Southern New Jersey), 2002-2003 (the proposal was suspended by the governor; the Presidential Search Committee, 2002, which recruited our current president; Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Search Committee, 2003; Search Committee for the President of the Rutgers Foundation/Vice President of Development, 2005; Executive and Steering Committees for the Middle States Accreditation Review, 2006-08; Alumni Task Force, 2006-07; University Capital Campaign Priorities Committee.

*Temple University:* Chair, Strategic Planning Committee, College of Arts and Sciences (CAS), 1996-98; Chair, CAS Awards Committee, 1997-98, and Member, 1995-98; Member, Women's Studies Graduate Studies Committee, CAS, 1995-98; Member, CAS Women's Studies Advisory Council, 1992-94; Member, Dean's Task Force on Interdisciplinary Programs, 1992-94; Member, University Committee on the Status of Women, 1993-1998; Member, University-wide Continuing Education Task Force, 1996-98; Coordinator, Ph.D. Program, Department of History, 1996-97; Coordinator, M.A. Program, 1995-96; Chair Graduate Admissions Committee, 1992-94; Member of multiple departmental committees including the Personnel Committee (Chair, 1995-96), Undergraduate Council, Graduate Council, By-Laws Committee and Chair's Advisory Committee.

*Richard Stockton College of New Jersey:* Marsh's most important administrative service at Stockton, besides the two times she led the Faculty of Arts and Humanities as Chair and Dean, was as Chair of the Research and Professional Development Committee in the late 1980s, in which capacity she created the college's first ever Grants Office, which was designed to work with faculty to develop research proposals at a time when research grants were more the province of universities than colleges. She also served on and often chaired numerous special committees and task forces, as well as numerous standing committees, including the Steering Committee of the Faculty Assembly; Academic Policy Committee; General Studies Committee, and the General Arts and Humanities Committee.

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