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Ron Haskins is a Senior Fellow and holds the Cabot Family Chair in Economic Studies at the Brookings Institution, where he co-directs the Center on Children and Families. He is also a senior consultant at the Annie E. Casey Foundation and is President-elect of the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management. He is the author of *Show Me the Evidence: Obama's Fight for Rigor and Evidence in Social Policy* (Brookings, 2014) and *Work Over Welfare: The Inside Story of the 1996 Welfare Reform Law* (Brookings, 2006); co-author of *Creating an Opportunity Society* (Brookings, 2009) and *Getting Ahead or Losing Ground: Economic Mobility in America* (Pew Charitable Trusts and Brookings, 2008); and senior editor of *The Future of Children*. In 2002, he was the Senior Advisor to the President for Welfare Policy at the White House. Prior to joining Brookings and Casey, he spent 14 years on the staff of the House Ways and Means Human Resources Subcommittee, serving as the subcommittee's Staff Director after Republicans became the majority party in the House after the 1994 elections. He was editor of 1996, 1998, and 2000 editions of the House Ways and Means *Green Book*, a 1600 page compendium that describes and analyzes federal social programs. In 1997, Haskins was selected by the *National Journal* as one of the 100 most influential people in the federal government. From 1981-1985, he was a senior researcher at the Frank Porter Graham Child Development Center at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

He holds a Bachelor's degree in History, a Master of Arts in Teaching, and a Ph.D. in Developmental Psychology from UNC. In his Washington career, he has focused on evidence-based policy, early childhood education, marriage and family formation, poverty, equal opportunity, abused and neglected children, and budget issues.

Haskins lives with his wife in Rockville, Maryland and has four grown children and two grandchildren.