



**2019 Lifetime Contribution to
Management Accounting Award Winner**
John H Evans

John Harry Evans, III, is the Katz Alumni Professor of Accounting and Area Director for Accounting in the Joseph M. Katz Graduate School of Business at the University of Pittsburgh. Prior to joining Pitt, Harry earned his PhD and MSIA in Accounting from Carnegie Mellon University, an MA in Economics from UCLA, and a BS in Economics from the United States Air Force Academy. Before becoming an academic, Harry served six years on active duty in the U.S. Air Force.

To date, Harry has published more than fifty times, with more than 20 papers in the very top-level accounting journals. Having started his research career as a theorist building analytical models, he quickly branched out into archival and experimental studies and is one of a select few accounting researchers who can claim significant contributions in all three of these methods. Harry's primary topical area is, of course, management accounting, and one demonstration of his commitment to the Management Accounting Section is evidenced by the fact that five of his publications are in the *Journal of Management Accounting Research*. In addition to his extensive list of publications, he has received many awards for his research, including twice winning the JMAR Best Paper Award and twice winning the AAA Notable Contribution to Accounting Literature Award.

Harry is a wonderful teacher and mentor and has received numerous teaching and mentoring awards over his career. He has been Teacher of the Year in Pitt's Executive MBA program five times, and in 2011, he won the University of Pittsburgh Provost Award in Mentoring, a university-wide honor recognizing "outstanding mentoring" of doctoral students. To that end, he has chaired fourteen dissertations, been a committee member on many more, and served a term as the director of PhD programs at Katz. Harry has also faithfully taught the Introduction to Accounting Research seminar at Pitt every fall for as long as most can remember, sometimes to a class size of one. Most of the dissertations Harry has chaired involved managerial accounting topics, and many of Harry's students have gone on to teach and conduct research in management accounting at top universities.

Harry has also provided significant distinguished service to the AAA in general and to the Management Accounting Section in particular. He served as president of the Management Accounting Section in 1997-98 and as Editor of the *Journal of Management Accounting Research (JMAR)* from 2002-2004. In addition, he has provided significant amounts of reviewing for *JMAR* as well as many other top accounting journals either as a member of the Editorial Board or on an Ad Hoc basis. As the Senior Editor of *The Accounting Review* from 2011-2014, Harry was the invited luncheon speaker at the Management Accounting Section Research Conference in January 2014. He has

participated in countless section meetings as a presenter, panelist, moderator, or reviewer.

In all his many accomplishments, Harry has maintained a gentle humility and garnered great respect among his colleagues, students, and generally anyone who has come into contact with him. He truly has made a Lifetime Contribution to Management Accounting and deserves his place on this distinguished list. Harry's acceptance speech appears in Volume 31, Issue 3 (2019) of the *Journal of Management Accounting Research* and takes the form of an extended thank-you to the many friends and colleagues he has made along the way. In one line, he distills a quintessentially Harry-attitude that explains, "A central theme of dissertations, marathons, and long bike rides is the critical importance of proper preparation and hard work."