

"Jim Buchanan was my first mentor in my effort to make a career in academia. In 1958, Jim received a draft copy of my first book *The Politics of Bureaucracy*. He contacted me and helped me get a post-doctoral fellowship at his university, i.e., the University of Virginia. I had some ideas for another book. Jim had related ideas, and we collaborated on the book which became *The Calculus of Consent*. This book was to underlie the formation of "public choice" some years later.

Jim and I were to work together at VPI [Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University] and George Mason University, promoting the concepts of public choice as well as our separate interests in other areas. This collegial and personal friendship continued throughout our careers.

I consider Jim an intellectual giant in our mutual areas of economic and governmental studies.

Gordon Tullock"