The Hinckley Institute of Politics is proud to welcome Senator Bob Bennett as a Resident Scholar after 18 years of dedicated service in the United States Senate. Bennett will be a great asset to the Hinckley Institute by teaching, lecturing, and mentoring students. He is currently working with a group of interns to conduct research for an upcoming book on America’s “great issues and great diversions.”

Former Senator Robert F. Bennett (UT) joined the Hinckley Institute of Politics as a Resident Scholar in February 2011. Mr. Bennett entered the political arena by managing his father’s Senatorial reelection campaign 49 years ago, in 1962. Wallace F. Bennett was a U.S. Senator from 1951 to 1974. It was this experience that would later inspire Mr. Bennett to seek public office. He worked as a staffer on Capitol Hill and in several successful entrepreneurial pursuits, including as CEO of Franklin International Institute, now known as Franklin Covey. In 1992, Mr. Bennett followed in his father’s footsteps and ran a successful campaign for the U.S. Senate, carrying his businessman-like approach with him to the Hill. He served as a senior member of the Senate Banking Committee and a member of the distinguished Joint Economic Committee, where he was at the center of national economic policy discussions. He also served as the ranking Republican on the Senate Rules Committee. Mr. Bennett is a graduate of the University of Utah, where he was student body president. He and his wife Joyce are the proud parents of six children and 20 grandchildren.