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John Nash, National Association of Corporate Directors

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Kent Druyvenstein, General Dynamics Corporation

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George Bishop and Alfred Tuchfarber, University of Cincinnati The Impact of Question Wording on Party Identification Responses

Terri Susan Fine, Department of Political Science, University of Central Florida Effects of Question Wording on Attitude Measurement in Cross-cultural Survey Research

Dagmar Krebs, Center for Survey Research, ZUMA

Conceptualizations of Job Search, Question Wording, and the Current Population Survey

Judith M. Tanur, State University of New York at Stony Brook

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Anne Hildreth, Department of Political Science, SUNY Albany, and Ellen M. Dran, Center for Governmental Studies, Northern Illinois University

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