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Dr. Mirer received a Ph.D. in organic chemistry from Harvard University in 1972, and trained further as a Research Fellow in Toxicology at the Harvard School of Public Health. He joined the UAW staff in 1975, and was appointed Director of the UAW Health and Safety Department in 1981.

Dr. Mirer serves on the NAS Framework Committee to Review NIOSH Research Programs and Evaluation Committee for the NIOSH Health Hazard Evaluation Program. Previously, he served on the OSHA Metalworking Fluid Standards Advisory Committee; the NIOSH National Occupational Health Research Agenda liaison committee; the Institute of Medicine Roundtable on Environmental Health Sciences Research and Training; the National Academy of Sciences Committees on Institutional Means for Risk Assessment, Risk Assessment Methodology, and Review of the Health Effects Institute; the Board of Scientific Counselors of the National Toxicology Program; an IARC Working Group; the CDC Injury Advisory Committee and the NIH Safety and Occupational Health Study Section.

Dr. Mirer developed and delivered testimony before OSHA regarding a dozen health and safety standards, and has testified before House and Senate Committees on occupational safety and health and regulatory policy matters. He has co-authored scientific papers in exposure assessment, risk assessment and epidemiology.

Dr. Mirer was inducted into the National Safety Council's Health and Safety Hall of Fame, received the Alice Hamilton Award for Lifetime Service from the Occupational Safety and Health Section of the American Public Health Association, the Spirit of Detroit Award from the Detroit City Council, and the President's Award for Health and Safety from Ford Motor Company. He is a Fellow of the Collegium Ramazzini and the American Industrial Hygiene Association.