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- "Space and the Evolving Chinese Military," in *Crisis Stability in Space*, with Bruce MacDonald, Admiral Dennis Blair, Karl Mueller, and Victoria Samson (Washington, DC: Foreign Policy Institute, 2016).
- "The PLA's Wartime Structure," in *The PLA as Organization v. 2.0*, ed. by Kevin Pollpeter and Kenneth Allen (Merrifield, VA: DGI, 2015). www.pla-org.com
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- "Chinese Concepts of Space Security" in *Springer Handbook of Space Security*, ed. by K.U. Schrogl (NY: Springer Publishing, 2015).
- "Information Dominance: PLA Views of Information Warfare and Cyberwarfare," in *Chinese Cybersecurity and Cyberdefense*, ed. by Daniel Ventre (Hoboken, NJ: Wiley Publishers, 2014).
- "Chinese Lessons from the Gulf Wars," in *Chinese Lessons from Other People's Wars*, ed. by Andrew Scobell, David Lai, and Roy Kamphausen (Carlisle, PA: Strategic Studies Institute, 2011).
- "Chinese Views on Deterrence," *Joint Force Quarterly* (#60, January 2011)

He has testified before Congress, and spoken at the National Space Symposium, the US National Defense University, the STRATCOM Deterrence Symposium, Harvard, and MIT. He has appeared frequently in print and broadcast media to discuss Chinese space and military activities. He is the author of the forthcoming *Cyber Dragon: Inside China's Information Warfare and Cyber Operations* (Praeger Publishing).