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Schaitkin graduated from Columbia University in 2004 with a combined BA in economics and political science. In 2011, he graduated cum laude from the Katholieke Universiteit of Leuven in Belgium with an MA in economics. Before rejoining The Conference Board in 2015, Schaitkin worked at Con Edison for two years, where he produced forecasts for customer energy usage that helped determine electricity rates.

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