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EMPLOYMENT:

- 7/08- Professor, Department of Political Science, Vanderbilt University.
 Professor, Vanderbilt University Law School (by courtesy)
 Co-Director, Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions, Vanderbilt
 University
- 7/02-6/08 Assistant Professor of Politics and Public Affairs, Princeton University.
 Class of 1934 University Preceptor (2006-9).
 Faculty Affiliate, Center for the Study of Democratic Politics.
- 9/00-5/02 Assistant Professor, Department of Government, College of William & Mary.

EDUCATION:

- 2000 Ph.D., Political Science, Stanford University.
2000 M.A., Political Science, Stanford University.
1996 M.A., Political Science, University of Colorado at Boulder.
1992 B.A., Political Science with high honors and general distinction in scholarship,
 University of California at Berkeley.

PUBLICATIONS:

- Books: *The Politics of Presidential Appointments: Political Control and Bureaucratic
 Performance*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press (2008). Issued in
 Japanese 2009.

Winner of the 2009 Richard E. Neustadt Award, awarded by the
Presidency Research Section of the American Political Science
Association for the best book on the U.S. presidency published during the
previous year.

Winner of the 2008 Herbert A. Simon Best Book Award, awarded by the
Public Administration Section of the American Political Science

Association for the best book published in the last three to five years that has made a significant contribution to public administration scholarship.

Honorable mention for the 2009 Charles Levine Prize for the best book in Comparative Policy and Administration, International Political Science Association.

Reviewed in *Choice*, *Democracy: A Journal of Ideas*, *Perspectives on Political Science*, *Perspectives on Politics*, *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, *Public Management Review*

Portions reprinted in Samuel Kernell and Steven S. Smith, eds. *Principles and Practice of American Politics: Classic and Contemporary Readings* (Washington, DC: CQ Press).

Presidents and the Politics of Agency Design: Political Insulation in the United States Government Bureaucracy, 1946-1997. Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press (2003). Issued in paperback 2004.

Reviewed in *Perspectives on Politics*, *Journal of Politics*, *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, *Congress and the Presidency*, *Public Administration Review*, *Choice*, *Journal of Interdisciplinary History*.

- Articles:
- “Revisiting the Administrative Presidency: Policy, Patronage, and Administrative Competence,” *Presidential Studies Quarterly* 39 (1):60-73 (2009).
 - “Management and Leadership Performance in the Defense Department: Evidence from Surveys of Federal Employees.” (with Major Paul S. Oh, U.S. Army) *Armed Forces and Society* 34(4): 639-661 (2008).
 - “Not-So Independent Agencies: Party Polarization and the Limits of Institutional Design,” (with Neal Devins) *Boston University Law Review* 88(2):459-98 (2008).
 - “Expert Opinion, Agency Characteristics, and Agency Preferences.” (with Joshua D. Clinton) *Political Analysis* 16(1):3-16 (2008).
 - “Toward a Broader Understanding of Presidential Power: A Re-Evaluation of the Two Presidencies Thesis.” (with Brandice Canes-Wrone and William G. Howell) *Journal of Politics* 70(1):1-16 (2008).
 - “Testing Pendleton’s Premise: Do Political Appointees Make Worse Bureaucrats?” *Journal of Politics* 69(4):1073-88 (2007).
 - “Does Performance Budgeting Work? An Examination of OMB’s PART Scores,” (with John B. Gilmour) *Public Administration Review* 66(5):742-52 (2006).

“Political Appointments, Civil Service Systems, and Bureaucratic Competence: Organizational Balancing and Gubernatorial Revenue Forecasts in the American States.” (with George Krause and James Douglas) *American Journal of Political Science* 50(3):770-87 (2006).

“Assessing Performance Budgeting at OMB: The Influence of Politics, Performance, and Program Size.” (with John B. Gilmour) *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory* 16(2):169-86 (2006).

“Political Appointees and the Competence of Federal Program Management.” (with John B. Gilmour) *American Politics Research* 34(1):22-50 (2006).

“Staffing Alone: Unilateral Action and the Politicization of the Executive Office of the President, 1988-2004.” *Presidential Studies Quarterly* 35(3):496-514 (2005).

“Political Learning from Rare Events: Poisson Inference, Fiscal Constraints and the Lifetime of Bureaus.” (with Daniel C. Carpenter) *Political Analysis* 12(3):201-32 (2004).

“The Adverse Consequences of the Politics of Agency Design for Presidential Management in the United States: The Relative Durability of Insulated Agencies.” *British Journal of Political Science* 34:377-404 (2004).

“The Irrational Escalation of Commitment and the Ironic Labor Politics of the Rust Belt.” (with Glenn Beamer) *Enterprise and Society* 4(4):676-306 (2003).

“Agencies by Presidential Design.” (with William G. Howell) *Journal of Politics* 64(4):1095-1114 (2002).

“The Politics of Agency Termination: Confronting the Myth of Agency Immortality.” *Journal of Politics* 64(1):89-107 (2002).

“What Time Is It? The Use of Power in Four Different Types of Presidential Time.” (with James Michael Strine) *Journal of Politics* 58(3):682-706 (1996).

Book
Chapters and
Reports:

“Struggling Over Bureaucracy: The Levers of Control,” (with Terry M. Moe) In Michael Nelson, ed. *The Presidency and the Political System*, 9th ed. Washington, DC: CQ Press (2009).

“Personnel is Policy: George W. Bush’s Managerial Presidency,” In Colin Provost and Paul Teske, eds. *Extraordinary Times, Extraordinary Powers: President George W. Bush’s Influence Over Bureaucracy and Policy*. New York: Palgrave (2009).

“The White House Office of Presidential Personnel,” (with James P. Pfiffner and Bradley H. Patterson) *White House Transition Project Report 2009-27* (2008).

“The President and the Evolving Institutional Presidency: Presidential Choice, Institutional Change, and Staff Performance.” In Bert A. Rockman and Richard Waterman, eds. *Presidential Leadership: The Vortex of Power*. New York: Oxford University Press (2008).

“The Presidency and the Bureaucracy: Management Imperatives in a Separation of Powers System.” In Michael Nelson, ed. *The Presidency and the Political System*, 8th ed. Washington, DC: CQ Press (2005).

Book: Review of Daniel Treisman, *The Architecture of Government: Rethinking*
Reviews *Political Decentralization, Public Administration* (forthcoming).

Review of Kenneth R. Mayer, *With the Stroke of a Pen: Executive Orders and Presidential Power*. *Congress and the Presidency* 29(2):230-2 (2002).

Active
Working
Papers:

“Turkey Farms, Patronage, and Obama Administration Appointments,” (with Gabe Horton), Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions Working Paper # 09-03.

“Patronage Appointments in the Modern Presidency: Evidence from a Survey of Federal Executives,” Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions Working Paper # 09-02.

“Where do Presidents Politicize? Evidence from the George W. Bush Administration” Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions Working Paper # 09-01.

"Measurement and Public Service Motivation: New Insights, Old Questions," Manuscript, Vanderbilt University.

“Does Delegation Promote Effective Policymaking? Evidence from Official General Fund Revenue Forecasts in the American States,” (with George A. Krause and James Douglas) Manuscript, University of Pittsburgh.

“Policy Durability and Agency Design,” Manuscript, Vanderbilt University.

“The Ideology of Federal Executives and their Agencies,” (with Anthony Bertelli, Joshua D. Clinton, Christian Grose, and David Nixon) Manuscript, Vanderbilt University.

“Politicization and Federal Management Performance: Evidence from Surveys of Federal Employees.” (with Melissa Collins, Carra Glatt, and Michael Shapiro)

Manuscript, Vanderbilt University.

“Parsing the Politicized Presidency: Centralization, Politicization, and Presidential Strategies for Bureaucratic Control.” (with Andrew Rudalevige) Manuscript, Dickinson College.

HONORS AND AWARDS:

- 2009 *Charles Levine Prize* (Honorable mention). Presented by the International Political Science Association’s Committee on the Structure and Organization of Governance (SOG) for the best book in Comparative Policy and Administration in 2009. *The Politics of Presidential Appointments: Political Control and Bureaucratic Performance* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2008).
- 2009 *Richard E. Neustadt Award*. Presented by the Presidency Research Section of the American Political Science Association for the best book on the U.S. presidency published during the previous year. *The Politics of Presidential Appointments: Political Control and Bureaucratic Performance* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2008).
- 2008 *Herbert A. Simon Best Book Award*. Presented by the American Political Science Association Public Administration Section for the best book published in the last three to five years that has made a significant contribution to public administration scholarship. *The Politics of Presidential Appointments: Political Control and Bureaucratic Performance* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2008).
- 2006 *Class of 1934 University Preceptorship*, Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton University.
- 2006 *Presidency Research Group Founder’s Award (in honor of Fred Greenstein) for the Best Paper Presented at the Preceding Year’s Annual Meeting*. “Parsing the Politicized Presidency: Centralization and Politicization as Presidential Strategies for Bureaucratic Control.” (with Andrew Rudalevige) Paper presented at the 2005 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC.
- 1999 *Presidency Research Group Founder’s Award for the Best Convention Paper by a Graduate Student*, 1999. “The Presidential Advantage in the Design of Bureaucratic Agencies.” Paper presented at the 1998 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, September 3-6, 1998.

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS:

- 2005 “The Politicization of the U.S. Government Bureaucracy: Causes and Consequences,” Smith Richardson Foundation, Public Policy Research Program (SRF grant #2005-4928). \$60,000.

- 2005 “Political Appointees, Careerists, and What Makes a Good Manager,” University Committee on Research in the Humanities and Social Sciences, Princeton University. \$1,390.
- 2004 “Does Performance Budgeting Work? An Examination of OMB’s PART Scores,” University Committee on Research in the Humanities and Social Sciences, Princeton University. \$2,165.
- 2003 “Presidents, Agencies, and Personnel Systems.” University Committee on Research in the Humanities and Social Sciences, Princeton University. \$1,590.
- 2002 Summer Research Grant. College of William and Mary. \$5,000 (Declined).
- 2001 Summer Research Grant. College of William and Mary. \$6,000.
- 1999 Institute for Social and Economic Theory and Research seed grant. Columbia University. (with Kelly Chang and Nolan McCarty) \$10,000.

INVITED TALKS:

- 2009 National Personnel Authority (Japan), Clemson University (Economics), Union University, Ohio State University
- 2008 Vanderbilt University, University of California, Berkeley, Brookings Institution, National Academy of Public Administration
- 2007 Emory University, College of William & Mary, University of California, Davis
- 2006 New York University, National Academy of Public Administration, University of Washington
- 2005 Virginia Tech University, Dartmouth College, Yale University, Princeton University (CSDP)
- 2004 University of Notre Dame, Columbia University, College of William & Mary
- 2003 Vanderbilt University, Harvard University
- 2002 University of South Carolina
- 2001 George Washington University, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

TEACHING AND GRADUATE ADVISING:

- Government Failure—Fall 2008
- Introduction to American Politics—Spring 2008
- Domestic Politics (MPA)—Fall 2007
- Bureaucratic Politics—Fall 2007, Fall 2008 (PHD)
- U.S. Presidency—Fall 2000, Fall 2001, Spring 2005, Fall 2005, Spring 2007
- Executive Branch Politics (MPA)—Spring 2007
- The Politics of Public Policy (MPA)—Fall 2002, Fall 2004, Fall 2005
- Introduction to Public Administration—Spring 2001, Spring 2002
- Public Management and Organizational Behavior (MPP)—Spring 2001, Spring 2002
- Independent Study: 2000 Presidential Election—Spring 2001

Senior Seminar: Presidential Biography—Fall 2001
Independent Study: Judicial Decision Making—Spring 2001

PHD Student Committees (past):

Stuart V. Jordan, University of Rochester, “Essays on Institutions and Policy Choices in the Executive Branch”

Michael Cutrone, “Essays on Presidential Signing Statements”

Jordan Tama, American University, “From Crisis to Reform: The Impact of National Security Commissions”

Jeff Tessin, U.S. Government Accountability Office, “Representation and Government Performance”

PHD Student Committees (current):

David Glick, Department of Politics, Princeton University

John Hudak, Department of Political Science, Vanderbilt University

Gbemende Johnson, Department of Political Science, Vanderbilt University

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

Editorial board: *Journal of Politics*, 2005-2006

Contributing Editor: americanpresident.org, 2004-5

Refereeing:

Books: Cambridge University Press, Princeton University Press, University of Michigan Press, Congressional Quarterly Press, Prentice Hall

Grants: National Science Foundation

Journals: *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *American Politics Research*, *American Review of Public Administration*, *Armed Forces & Society*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Congress & the Presidency*, *Governance*, *International Public Management Journal*, *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization*, *Journal of Politics*, *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory*, *Journal of Public Policy*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, *Public Administration Review*, *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*, *Regulation and Governance*, *Studies in American Political Development*

Member: American Political Science Association
Midwest Political Science Association
Presidency Research Group
Southern Political Science Association
American Society of Public Administration
Public Management Research Association
Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management

Committees: Executive Council, Presidency Research Group (2009- Present)
Herbert A. Simon Book Award Committee, American Political Science
Association, Public Administration Section (2009)
Midwest Political Science Association, Patrick Fett Award Committee (2007)
Southern Political Science Association, Best Paper Award Committee (2006)
Presidency Research Group (APSA), Undergraduate Paper Award Com. (2005)
Presidency Research Group (APSA) Book Award Com. (2001)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE:

University-
wide: Vanderbilt University Law School Dean Search Committee, 2009
Planning Committee, Vanderbilt Institute for Advanced Studies, 2008-9
Executive Committee, James Madison Program in American Ideals and
Institutions, 2007-8, Princeton University
Faculty Advisor, Varsity Field Hockey, Princeton (2006-2008)
Faculty Fellow and Freshman and Sophomore Advisor, Mathey College,
Princeton (2004-2007).
Faculty Fellow and Freshman and Sophomore Advisor, Whitman College,
Princeton (2007-2008)
University Teaching Project, College of William and Mary, 2001-2002.

Department: Political Theory Search Committee, 2009
Formal Theory Search Committee (Chair), 2008-9
Methods Search Committee (Chair), 2008
Department of Political Science Planning Committee (Chair), 2008-9
Field Coordinator, Domestic Politics, Woodrow Wilson School, 2007-8
MPA Admissions Committee, Woodrow Wilson School 2007
Chair's Advisory Committee, Dept. of Politics, Princeton 2005-6; 2007-8
Advisor to 1st year MPA students, Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton (2003).
Coordinator, American Politics Colloquium, Center for the Study of Democratic
Politics, Princeton (with Larry Bartels, 2003).
Public Law Search Committee, College of William and Mary, 2001-2002.