

Curriculum Vitae

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I. Education

Ph.D **Vanderbilt University**, Department of Political Science, Nashville, Tennessee-expected August 2009.

Research Interests: public law, constitutional law, civil rights and liberties, southern politics, race and politics.

Dissertation: "Seeking Truth and Justice: American Racial Violence and the Equal Protection of Law."

Committee: Carol Swain, Political Science, Chair; Richard Blackett, History; James Booth, Political Science; Christian Grose, Political Science; Stefanie Lindquist, University of Texas School of Law.

Abstract:

Using the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution and the principles that undergird the Rule of Law in constitutional democracies, this project examines how a legacy of unacknowledged historical injustice influences the legitimacy of democratic institutions. Through systematic analysis of census data, newspaper archives and property records, using Tennessee as a case study, I offer evidence in support of the proposition that past intentional and negligent refusal of local, state and federal institutions to provide due process or the equal protection of law to black Americans remains a critical obstacle for present day governmental legitimacy among many localities throughout the United States. By examining other communal efforts to overcome this obstacle, I find the best policies reflect the specific needs of the communities where wrong-doing took place. I conclude with public policy proposals that could pragmatically further these efforts in Tennessee.

Juris Doctorate **University of Tennessee- College of Law**, Knoxville, Tennessee
2000

B.A. **Rhodes College**, Memphis, Tennessee

Political Science, with a concentration in Political Philosophy, 1997

Senior Thesis: "Homelessness and Hunger: The Effects of Welfare Reform on America's Poor"

II. Teaching Experience

Vanderbilt University, Department of Political Science, Nashville, Tennessee

Instructor- "Introduction to American Politics," Fall 2008

Coach- Vanderbilt University Moot Court Team, Fall 2008

Lecturer- Office of Active Citizenship and Community Service,
"Presidential Elections and the United States Supreme Court"
January 2008

Teaching Assistant - "International Law and Organizations," Spring 2008

Teaching Assistant - "Economics and Foreign Policy," Fall 2007

Instructor- "Introduction to American Politics," Summer 2007

Teaching Assistant - "International Law and Organizations" Spring 2007

Teaching Assistant - "Introduction to American Politics" Fall 2006

Southeastern Career College, Nashville, Tennessee

Instructor- "Fact Gathering and Evidence for Paralegals," Fall 2003

III. Research Experience

Vanderbilt University, Department of Political Science, Nashville, Tennessee

Research Assistant, Carol M. Swain, analysis of literature concerning American
"white nationalism" and its threat to "post-racial" American democratic governance,
Spring 2009.

Research Assistant, Pamela C. Corley, analyzed data from archived Supreme Court
Justices' papers, Fall 2006.

Research Assistant, Stefanie A. Lindquist, analyzed case law for State Supreme Court
analysis, Fall 2004 - Spring 2005.

iv. Other Professional Employment

Twentieth Judicial District, Davidson County Eighth Circuit Court
Judicial Clerk for Judge Carol Soloman- Nashville, Tennessee: 2000- 2004

Batson, Nolan, Brice, Harvey and Williamson PLLC, Clarksville, Tennessee
Summer Associate 1999

Tennessee Justice Center- Public Interest Law Firm, Nashville, Tennessee
Summer Associate 1999

Shelby County Victims Assistance Center, Memphis, Tennessee
Court Accompaniment Intern, Spring Semester 1997

v. Professional Presentations

“Seeking Truth and Justice: Politics, Race and Violence in Tennessee,” Presented at the 2009 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, Louisiana

“Avoiding the Vote: A Theory and Field Experiment of the Social Costs of Public Political Participation,” with Christian Grose, Presented at the 2009 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, Louisiana

“Social Desirability and Voting in Public: A Field Experiment of Voter Turnout in the 2008 Iowa Caucus,” with Christian Grose, Presented at the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Temple University State Politics and Policy Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

“The Rights of Minority Citizens During Times of War and Terror,” Presented at the 2007 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois

“Civil Rights, Liberties and the Fourteenth Amendment,” Presented at the 2006 Annual Meeting of the Tennessee Political Science Association, Paris, Tennessee

“Overruling Decisions in State Supreme Courts: An Event Count Analysis,” with Stefanie Lindquist, Presented at the 2005 Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, Las Vegas, Nevada

vi. Other Conference Participation

“Women, Politics and Policy Formation,” Panel Discussant at the 2007 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, Louisiana

VII. Publications

“Avoiding the Vote: A Theory and Field Experiment of the Social Costs of Public Political Participation,” with Christian Grose, under review

Book Review: *The Politics of Protest: Social Movements in America* by David S. Meyer, in *Journal of Political and Military Sociology*, forthcoming

Essays: “The American Aurora” and “The Adult Film Association of America” in *The Encyclopedia of the First Amendment*, CQ Press (2008)

Casenote: “*American Communications Association et al. vs. Charles T. Douds, individually and as Regional Director of the National Labor Relations Board*, 330 U.S. 90, 70 S.Ct. 1017 (1950)” *The Encyclopedia of the First Amendment*, CQ Press (2008)

VII. Fellowships, Awards and Honors

Vanderbilt University

College of Arts and Sciences Dissertation Fellowship, Summer 2008
(\$4500 award to continue with dissertation research)

Center for Ethics “Dissertation Writers” Fellowship, Spring 2008
(\$1000 award to present and critique dissertation research in an inter-disciplinary setting)

College of Arts and Sciences Mellon Interdisciplinary Graduate Fellow-
“Identity and Political Thought,” Summer 2005 (\$2000 award)

University of Tennessee College of Law

National Association of Women Lawyers “Outstanding Female Student Award” 2000
(one year organizational membership and commemorative plaque presented to a third-year law student, “based upon faculty nomination, academic achievement, motivation, tenacity and drive, and future promise of contributing to the advancement of women in society” per the *University of Tennessee College of Law Student Awards*)

Kolwyk Public Interest Scholarship Recipient Summer 1999
(\$1500 award for public interest internship with the Tennessee Justice Center, Nashville, Tennessee)

VIII. Professional Associations/Bar Membership

Member: American Political Science Association, Southern Political Science Association, Tennessee Bar Association

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