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## PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

2008 -	Professor, Binghamton University, Department of Political Science
2011 (fall)	Visiting Professor, Florida International University, College of Law
2010 (summer)	Visiting Professor, Florida State University, College of Law
2003 - 2008	Associate Professor, University of Georgia, Dept. of Political Science
1997 - 2003	Assistant Professor, University of Georgia, Dept. of Political Science
1995 - 1996	Part-Time Legal Work, Amundsen & Moore, Tallahassee, FL
1992 - 1994	Corporate Legal Counsel, England/Corsair, Inc., New Tazewell, TN

## PUBLICATIONS

### Books

THESE ESTIMABLE COURTS: UNDERSTANDING PUBLIC PERCEPTIONS OF STATE JUDICIAL SYSTEMS AND LEGAL POLICY-MAKING (with Damon Cann). 2016. (Oxford University Press).

PRESIDENTIAL RHETORIC AND THE PUBLIC AGENDA: CONSTRUCTING THE WAR ON DRUGS (with Andrew Whitford). 2009. (The Johns Hopkins University Press). See reviews in: *Journal of Politics*, *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, *International Journal of Press/Politics*, *Choice Reviews*, *Contemporary Sociology*, *Perspectives on Politics*, and *Political Communication*

POPULAR JUSTICE: PRESIDENTIAL PRESTIGE AND EXECUTIVE SUCCESS IN THE SUPREME COURT. 2002. (State University of New York Press). See reviews in: *William Mitchell Law Review*, *Jurimetrics*, *Judicature*, *Journal of Politics*, *Justice System Journal*, *Perspectives on Politics*, *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, *Choice Reviews*, and *Political Communication*.

### Papers

Perceptions of the Rule of Law: Evidence on the Impact of Judicial Insulation (with David Brown and Andrew Whitford) *Social Science Quarterly* (forthcoming).

Courts and Executives (with Scott Bodderly) in THE OXFORD HANDBOOK OF U.S. JUDICIAL BEHAVIOR, edited by Lee Epstein and Stefanie Lindquist (Oxford University Press, 2017).

Do Policy Messengers Matter? Majority Opinion Writers as Policy Cues in Public Agreement with Supreme Court Decisions (with Scott Bodderly) 67 *Political Research Quarterly* 851 (2014).

For The Times They Are A Changin': Explaining U.S. Supreme Court Justices' Ideological Drift by Identifying Their Relevant Audiences (with Brian Levey and Justin Moeller) 28 *BYU Journal of Public Law* 117 (2014).

Judicial Ideology and the Selection of Disputes for U.S. Supreme Court Adjudication (with Brent Boyea and Damon Cann) 10 *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies* 847 (2013).

Judges, Litigants, and the Design of Courts (with Paul Brace and Brent Boyea), 46 *Law & Society Review* 497 (2012).

Assessing the Impact of State Judicial Structures on Citizen Litigiousness (with Paul Brace and Holley Tankersley), 63 *Political Research Quarterly* 796 (2010).

On the Future of State Courts Research, 30 *Justice System Journal* 302 (2009).

The Racial Dimensions of Presidential Policy Leadership: The Case of the War on Drugs (with Andrew Whitford), 6 *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies* 874 (2009). Reprinted in *CRIMINOLOGY*. 2011. (Ed. Terri Adams Fuller) (Cognella University Readers).

The Intersection of Judicial Attitudes and Litigant Selection Strategies: Explaining the U.S. Supreme Court's Decision Making (with Elizabeth Coggins), 29 *Washington University Journal of Law and Policy* 263 (2009).

Homegrown Institutional Legitimacy: Assessing Citizens' Diffuse Support for Their State Courts (with Damon Cann), 36 *American Politics Research* 297 (2008).

Ideological Extremism and Public Participation (with Andrew Whitford and Holana Ochs), 87 *Social Science Quarterly* 36 (2006).

Politics and State Punitiveness In Black and White (with Richard Fording), 67 *Journal of Politics* 1099 (2005).

Institutional Foundations of the President's Issue Agenda (with Andrew Whitford), 58 *Political Research Quarterly* 577 (2005).

A War on Drugs or a War on Immigrants? Expanding The Definition Of 'Drug Trafficking' In Determining Aggravated Felon Status For Non-Citizens (with Gabriel Chin and Todd Collins), 64 *Maryland Law Review* 875 (2005).

Agenda Setting, Issue Priorities, and Organizational Maintenance: The U.S. Supreme Court, 1955 to 1994 (with Andrew Whitford and William Gillespie), 35 *British Journal of Political Science* 369 (2005).

Presidential Policy Signals and Executive Governance: Presidential Rhetoric in the War on Drugs (with Andrew Whitford), 65 *Journal of Politics* 995 (2003).

The Problem of Sports Violence and the Criminal Prosecution Solution (with William Gillespie), 12 *Cornell Journal of Law and Public Policy* 145 (2002).

The Presidency and the Supreme Court After Bush v. Gore: Implications For Institutional Legitimacy and Effectiveness (with Andrew Whitford), 13 *Stanford Law & Policy Review* 101 (2002). Reprinted in *INSIDE THE JUDICIAL PROCESS*. 2006. (Eds. J. Segal-Diascro and G. Ivers) (Houghton-Mifflin Press).

Volunteerism and Social Capital in Policy Implementation: Evidence From the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program (with Andrew Whitford), 14 *Journal of Aging and Social Policy* 61 (2002). Reprinted in *DEVOLUTION AND AGING POLICY*. 2002. (Eds. Francis Caro and Robert Morris) (Hayworth Press).

Supreme Court Power Play: Assessing the Appropriate Role of the Senate in the Confirmation Process (with William Gillespie), 58 *Washington & Lee Law Review* 1053 (2001).

The Politics of Torts: Explaining Litigation Rates in the American States (with Belinda Creel-Davis and Henry Glick), 2 *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* 129 (2001).

The Elderly and Prison Policy (with William Gillespie), 11 *Journal of Aging and Social Policy* 167 (2000). Reprinted in *ADVANCING AGING POLICY AS THE 21ST CENTURY BEGINS*. 2000. (Eds: Francis G. Caro, Robert Morris, and Jill R. Norton) (Hayworth Press).

Presidential Bureaucratic Power and Supreme Court Justice Voting, 21 *Political Behavior* 349 (1999).

Presidential Power And The United States Supreme Court (with Andrew Whitford), 51 *Political Research Quarterly* 539 (1998).

The Failure Of The Patient Self-Determination Act And Advance Medical Directives — And Policy Alternatives In The Right To Die (with Henry Glick), 9 *Journal of Aging and Social Policy* 29 (1997).

Racial Incarceration Disparity Among States, 78 *Social Science Quarterly* 1001-1010 (1997).

## COURSES TAUGHT

Law & Society (Undergraduate)  
Judicial Politics Seminar (Undergraduate)  
Criminal Procedure (Undergraduate)  
Criminal Law (Undergraduate)  
Criminal Justice Administration (Undergraduate)  
Criminal Justice Internships (Undergraduate)  
Intermediate Statistics (Graduate)  
The Presidency (Graduate)  
American Politics (Undergraduate)  
Courts and Public Opinion (Undergraduate)  
Judicial Politics & Behavior (Graduate and Law School)  
Pre-Seminar in Law & Courts (Graduate)  
The Supreme Court – Writing Seminar (Graduate)  
Judicial Politics and Behavior (Law School)  
Advanced Criminal Procedure (Law School)

## **EDUCATION**

- Ph.D. Florida State University, Political Science, 1998
- M.S. Florida State University, Political Science, 1996
- J.D. The University of Tennessee, George C. Taylor College of Law, 1991
- B.A. Carson-Newman College, History, 1988

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

### **Grants**

- Faculty Research Grant from the University of Georgia Research Foundation, Inc. (\$5,000) to study incarceration policy
- Co-Recipient, State of the Art Conference Grant (\$5,575) for “Federalism and the Courts” (2001)
- Co-Recipient, State of the Art Conference Grant (\$11,173) for “Voting Rights” (1998)

### **Selected Invited Presentations and Participation**

- Georgia Law-Related Education Consortium (2000)
- University of Georgia Phi Alpha Delta Pre-Law Fraternity (2000)
- University of Hartford School of Business (2001)
- University of North Texas Political Science Department (2004)
- University of Miami Political Science Department (2006)
- Kent State University Political Science Department (2006)
- Marquette University School of Law (2007)
- Northwestern University School of Law: Searle Center Public Policy Center (2007)
- Guest Blogger, Empirical Legal Studies Blog (<http://www.elsblog.org>) (2007)
- Guest Blogger, Prawfs Blawg (<http://www.prawfs.com>) (2010, 2011)
- Guest Blogger, The Faculty Lounge Blog (<http://www.thefacultylounge.org>) (2009)
- Washington University School of Law, Symposium (2008).
- Indiana University School of Law, Conference: What’s Law Got To Do With It? (2009)
- Florida State University College of Law – Enrichment Series (2010)
- Cornell University Law School Colloquium (Empirical Legal Studies course)
- University of Miami School of Law (2011)
- University of Miami Political Science Department (2011)
- Florida International University College of Law (2011)
- University of Texas-Dallas Political Science Department (2013)
- University of Indiana-Indianapolis School of Public and Environmental Affairs (2013)
- Florida International University Political Science Department (2014)
- University of Georgia – Separation of Powers Conference (2016)

### **SELECTED CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

- International Political Science Association – Comparative Judicial Politics (2011)
- Southeastern Association of Law Schools (2008, 2009, 2011, 2016)
- Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (2006-2012)
- American Political Science Association (1995-1996, 1998-1999, 2001-2003, 2005-2010, 2013-16)
- Southern Political Science Association (1995-1996, 1998-2002, 2005, 2009)
- Midwest Political Science Association (1998, 2000, 2001, 2006-2008)

Law & Society Association (1997, 2012)  
Western Political Science Association (1998, 2009, 2012)  
Southwestern Political Science Association (1997)  
Georgia Political Science Association (1999, 2001)  
Florida Political Science Association (1996)

#### **PEER REVIEW SERVICE**

National Science Foundation  
Journal of Empirical Legal Studies  
Journal of Public Policy  
Journal of Legal Studies  
Prentice Hall Publishers  
Law & Society Review  
Sage Publications  
Judicature  
Society & Natural Resources  
Allyn & Bacon Publishers  
Justice System Journal  
Smith Richardson Foundation  
Journal of African American Men  
American Journal of Political Science  
State Politics and Policy Quarterly  
Journal of Politics  
Social Science Quarterly  
Political Research Quarterly  
Criminal Justice Review  
American Politics Research  
Journal of Aging & Social Policy  
Presidential Studies Quarterly  
Encyclopedia of Social Measurement  
American Economic Review  
American Review of Politics  
American Political Science Review  
Social Problems  
Congress & the Presidency  
Publius: Journal of Federalism  
Journal of Law and Courts  
Legislative Studies Quarterly  
Politics & Policy  
Politics  
Polity  
Political Science Quarterly  
Society & Natural Resources

#### **SELECTED ACADEMIC SERVICE**

Section Head, Law & Courts - American Political Science Association Conference  
Chair, Edward C. Corwin Best Dissertation in Public Law Award Committee

Herman C. Pritchett Best Book on Law & Courts Award Committee  
Best Conference paper on Law & Courts Award Committee  
Best Dissertation on State Politics and Policy Award Committee  
Chair, Recruitment Committee, Law & Courts  
Recruitment Committee, Law & Courts  
Recruitment Committee, American Politics  
Recruitment Committee, Lecturer position  
Faculty Executive Committee  
Promotion and Tenure Committee  
Graduate Studies Committee  
Philosophy, Politics, and Law Executive Committee  
Politics and Law Concentration Advisor  
Criminal Justice Studies Executive Committee  
Parthemos Lecture Series Committee  
University Program Review Committee  
Post-Tenure Review Committee  
Psychological Services Protocols Committee  
Grade Appeals Committee  
Promotion and Tenure Committee  
Chair, Accelerated Masters Degree Exploration Committee

#### **LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

##### **Admitted to the Tennessee Bar**

**Amundsen & Moore**, Tallahassee, Fla. (while in graduate school): Legal work for a firm with a litigation oriented administrative law practice; responsibilities included: drafting motions and legal memoranda, reviewing contracts and pleadings, and conducting legal research on environmental law, healthcare law, employment law, and administrative law issues.

**England/Corsair, Inc.**, New Tazewell, Tenn. (1992-1994): Vice President – Legal Affairs (approximately 1,500 employees). Corporate legal counsel for a manufacturing company; responsibilities included:

Corporate: Advising management on corporate issues; drafting corporate agreements and due diligence reports; and recording stockholder/board of director meeting minutes

Employment: Advising management on employment and labor issues; drafting executive employment contracts and company personnel policies; and representing the company in ERISA litigation, ADA claims, and administrative law hearings

Real Estate/Commercial/Environmental: Advising management on commercial, real estate, and environmental issues; reviewing and drafting licensing agreements and real estate contracts and leases; and ensuring compliance with environmental regulations regarding underground storage tanks, construction site water runoff, and petroleum spills

Administrative: Managing and working in conjunction with the company's retained law firms on litigation, employment, environmental, employee benefits, workers' compensation, patent and trademark, commercial, financing, and corporate matters