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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2017-present: Kinder Institute Assistant Professor of Constitutional Democracy, Department of Political Science and Truman School of Public Affairs (by courtesy), University of Missouri

2014-2017: Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

EDUCATION

2008-2014: Vanderbilt University, M.A., Ph.D.
Dissertation Committee Members: David E. Lewis (chair); Joshua D. Clinton; Bruce I. Oppenheimer; Kevin M. Stack; Alan E. Wiseman
Concentrations: American Politics, Political Methodology

2004-2007: Wake Forest School of Law, J.D.

2000-2004: Lebanon Valley College, B.A.
Majors: Political Science, American Studies

PUBLICATIONS

Articles:

“Don’t Sweat the Details!: Enhancing Congressional Committee Capacity Through The Use of Detailees.” (with Russell W. Mills), *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 42(4):611-636 (2017). Available at: <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/lsq.12171/full>

“Understanding Employee Turnover in the Public Sector: Insights from Research on Teacher Mobility.” (with Jason A. Grissom and Samantha L. Viano), *Public Administration Review* 76(2):241-251 (2016). Available at: <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/puar.12435/abstract>

“What Makes an Agency Independent?” *American Journal of Political Science* 59(4):971-987 (2015). Available at: <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/ajps.12161/abstract>

“Political Control and the Forms of Agency Independence.” (with David E. Lewis), *George Washington Law Review* 83(4/5):1487-1516 (2015). Available at: <http://www.gwlr.org/political-control-and-the-forms-of-agency-independence/>

“Influencing the Bureaucracy: The Irony of Congressional Oversight.” (with Joshua D. Clinton and David E. Lewis), *American Journal of Political Science* 58(2):387-401 (2014). Available at: <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/ajps.12066/abstract>

“The House as a Stepping Stone to the Senate: Why Do So Few African-American House Members Run?” (with Gbemende Johnson and Bruce I. Oppenheimer), *American Journal of Political Science* 56(2):387-399 (2012). Available at: <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1540-5907.2011.00562.x/abstract>

Other Publications:

Sourcebook of United States Executive Agencies (Second Edition). (with David E. Lewis), Washington, DC: Administrative Conference of the United States (2018). Available at: <https://www.acus.gov/publication/sourcebook-united-states-executive-agencies-second-edition>

“Is the Administrative State Legitimate?” (with Joseph Postell), *Starting Points* (October 30, 2017). Available at: <http://startingpointsjournal.com/administrative-state-legitimate/>

Sourcebook of United States Executive Agencies. (with David E. Lewis), Washington, DC: Administrative Conference of the United States (2012). Available at: <http://www.vanderbilt.edu/csdi/Sourcebook12.pdf>

Book Reviews:

“Book Review: Presidential Leverage: Presidents, Approval, and the American State.” *Perspectives on Politics* 16(3):842-843 (2018). Available at: <https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/perspectives-on-politics/article/presidential-leverage-presidents-approval-and-the-american-state-by-daniel-e-ponder-stanford-stanford-university-press-2017-240p-9000-cloth-2795-paper/8B506382738822A65D06E130CBD90E52>

“Book Review: *Agenda Crossover: The Influence of State Delegations in Congress*.” *Political Science Quarterly* 132(4):590-592 (2018). Available at: <https://www.psqonline.org/article.cfm?IDArticle=19838>.

“Book Review: *Above Politics: Bureaucratic Discretion and Credible Commitment*.” *American Review of Public Administration* 47(4):496-497 (2017). Available at: <http://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/0275074017691636>.

Media:

“Staff have the skills to assist Congress, but they need more resources.” (with Hanna K. Brant), LegBranch.com (October 9, 2018). Available at: <http://www.legbranch.com/theblog/2018/10/9/staff-have-the-skills-to-assist-congress-but-they-need-more-resources>.

“As DACA Winds Through Courts, A Cautionary Tale in Executive Orders,” Newsy.com (June 7, 2018). Available at: <https://www.newsy.com/stories/what-the-supreme-court-might-consider-if-it-takes-daca-case/>.

“Congressional committee staffs have shrunk. Here’s one way Congress makes up the difference.” (with Russell W. Mills), Monkey Cage, *Washington Post* (June 14, 2017). Available at: https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2017/06/14/congressional-committee-staffs-have-shrunk-heres-one-way-congress-makes-up-the-difference/?utm_term=.30dbd4e96410

GRANTS

Center for Effective Lawmaking 2018 Small Grant for “Brain Drain? Understanding Congressional Committee Staffers’ Legislative and Oversight Capabilities” (with Hanna K. Brant).

Dirksen Congressional Center 2018 Congressional Research Grant for “Brain Drain? An Analysis of Congressional Committee Staffers’ Legislative and Oversight Capabilities” (with Hanna K. Brant).

Dirksen Congressional Center 2016 Congressional Research Grant for “Behind ‘Enemy Lines?: Congressional Detailees and Executive Branch Influence over Policy Formulation” (with Russell W. Mills).

WORKING PAPERS

“Who Has the Power? The Accumulation of Delegated Authority in Federal Executive Agencies.” Manuscript, University of Missouri.

“Agency Independence and Compliance with the Law: (Not) Providing Information under the Congressional Review Act.” Manuscript, University of Missouri.

Behind ‘Enemy’ Lines?: Congressional Detailees and Executive Branch Influence over Policy Formulation. (with Russell W. Mills), Book Manuscript, University of Missouri.

DATABASES

Agency Independence: Includes data on 50 structural features of 321 federal agencies in the federal executive establishment and estimates of the degree of structural independence for each agency. Available at: <http://publish.illinois.edu/jselin/data/>

Sourcebook of United States Executive Agencies. (with David E. Lewis): Includes data on 55 statutory characteristics for 10 agencies in the Executive Office of the President, 15 executive departments, and 81 independent agencies. Available at: <http://www.vanderbilt.edu/csdi/sourcebook.php>

RECENT INVITED PRESENTATIONS

“Behind ‘Enemy’ Lines?: Executive Branch Influence over Legislative Policy.” (with Russell W. Mills), Paper presented at the Rooney Center for the Study of American Democracy, University of Notre Dame (February 2018).

“Blurring the Lines Between the Branches: Executive Branch Influence over Legislative Policy.” Paper presented at the Society of Fellows Dinner Discussion, Kinder Institute, University of Missouri (November 2017).

“Women in Politics.” Panel sponsored by the Associated Students of the University of Missouri (November 2017).

“A Response to Becky Norton Dunlop’s ‘Conservative Principles Offer an Improving Environment and a Growing Economy’.” Rebuttal presented at the Federalist Society, University of Missouri Law School (October 2017).

RECENT CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“Constraining the Executive Branch: Congressional Use of the Courts in the Administrative State.” (with Pamela J. Clouser McCann), Paper to be presented at the Oppenheimer Reconsidered: Paths Forward in the Study of Congressional Politics and Representation conference at the Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions, Vanderbilt University (April 2019).

“Anticipated Adjudication: An Analysis of Administrative Law Judges and Agency Litigation.” (with Scott Limbocker and William G. Resh), Paper to be presented at the 2019 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL (April 2019).

“Playing Politics with Peace: Political Appointments in International Organizations.” (with Bryce W. Reeder), Paper to be presented at the 2019 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL (April 2019).

“Brain Drain? An Analysis of Congressional Staff Legislative and Oversight Capabilities.” Paper to be presented at the 2019 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Austin, TX (January 2019).

“Brain Drain? An Analysis of Congressional Staff Capabilities.” Paper presented at the 2018 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA.

“Behind ‘Enemy’ Lines?: Executive Branch Influence over Legislative Policy.” (with Russell W. Mills), Paper presented at the 2018 interdisciplinary conference on The Empirical Study of Agency Policymaking, University of Wisconsin.

“The Devil is in the Details: Enhancing Administrative Capacity Through Congressional Detailees.” (with Russell W. Mills), Paper presented at the 2018 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

“Agencies in Turmoil?: The Impact of Leadership Vacancies on Federal Regulatory Policy” (with Christopher Piper), Paper presented at the 2018 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

“Who Has the Power? Measuring the Diversity of Delegated Power Among Federal Agencies.” Paper presented at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

“Behind ‘Enemy’ Lines?: Congressional Detailees and Executive Branch Influence over Policy Formulation.” (with Russell W. Mills), Paper presented at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

“*Marbury v. Madison* 2.0: Agency Independence and Judicial Review of Bureaucratic Policymaking.” (with Carrie Archie Russell), Paper presented at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA.

“Don’t Sweat the Details!: Enhancing Congressional Committee Capacity Through The Use of Detailees.” (with Russell W. Mills), Paper presented at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Diego, CA and at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

“*Marbury v. Madison* 2.0: Agency Independence and Judicial Review of Bureaucratic Policymaking.” (with Carrie Archie Russell), Paper presented at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, San Juan, PR.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

PhD Student Committees (current)

Hanna Brant (co-Chair), Department of Political Science, University of Missouri

Cody Drolic (co-Chair), Department of Political Science, University of Missouri

University of Missouri

Administrative Politics (Graduate)
Executive Politics (Graduate)
American Government (Undergraduate)
Introduction to Political Research (Undergraduate)
The Administrative State, Public Policy, and Constitutional Democracy
(Undergraduate)
The American Presidency (Undergraduate)
U.S. Supreme Court (Undergraduate)

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Executive Politics (Graduate)
Contemporary Issues in Politics, Policy, and Regulation (Undergraduate)
Introduction to U.S. Government and Politics (Undergraduate)
Policymaking in the Executive Branch (Undergraduate)
The U.S. Presidency (Undergraduate)

Mandela Washington Fellowship Civic Leadership Institute (administered by the U.S.
Department of State and the Young African Leaders Initiative)

Principles of Public Policy Seminar Leader

Vanderbilt University

Introduction to U.S. Government and Politics (Undergraduate)
Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature
Appellate Moot Court Challenge Executive Committee Member, 2011-
2014
Vanderbilt's Appellate Moot Court Challenge Coach, 2010-2014
Vanderbilt Undergraduate Moot Court Program Co-Coach, 2008-2009

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND AFFILIATIONS

Referee Service

*Administration and Society; American Journal of Political Science; American Political
Science Review; American Review of Public Administration; British Journal of Political
Science; Congress and the Presidency; Governance; Journal for Policy Analysis and
Management; Journal of Politics; Journal of Public Administration Research and
Theory; Journal of Public Policy; Legislative Studies Quarterly; Mathematical Social
Sciences; Political Research Quarterly; Public Administration; Public Administration
Review; Public Policy and Administration*

Midwest Public Administration Caucus

Herbert Simon Award Nomination Committee Member, 2018-2019
Presidential Nomination Committee Member, 2016-2017

University of Missouri

Kinder Institute on Constitutional Democracy

Felon Disenfranchisement Symposium Co-Organizer, 2018-2019
Working Committee on Process Member, 2018-2019
Graduate Fellowships Committee Member, 2018-2019
Kinder Scholars Committee Member, 2018-2019
Kinder Expansion Committee Member, 2018
Society of Fellows Committee Member, 2018
Department of Political Science
Lectures Committee Chair, 2018-2019
Undergraduate Studies Committee Member, 2017-2018

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Honors Council Member, 2016-2017
Cline Center for Democracy
Research Affiliate, 2016-2017
Department of Political Science
Graduate Affairs Committee Member, 2016-2017
Advisory Committee Member, 2016
Instructional Programs Committee Member, 2016
Awards Committee Member, 2014-2015

Vanderbilt University
Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions
Graduate Affiliate, 2009-2014
The Journal of Politics
Editorial Associate, 2008
Political Science Graduate Student Council
George K. Graham Symposium Series Coordinator, 2011-2012
Co-Chair, 2009-2010
Secretary, 2008-2009
Undergraduate Mock Trial Program
Judge, 2010-2014

GKRSE, Washington D.C.
Energy and Administrative Law Associate, 2007-2008
Western Electricity Market Regulation
Alternative Energy Development, Licensing, and Regulation
Commodity Futures Trading Regulation
Organizations
Prettyman-Leventhal American Inn of Court, 2007-2008
Energy Bar Association, Renewable Energy Committee, 2007-2008

Appellate Advocacy Clinic
With John J. Korzen and Pamela M. Buskirk, *Dexter Theatra Thomas v. United States*, 552 U.S. 1136 (2008)

Issues: Appellate Court Treatment of Lower Court Rulings Relying on U.S. Sentencing Guidelines; Guidelines' Disparity between Crack and Powder Cocaine

Virginia Supreme Court

Admitted, October 2007

Organizations

Virginia State Bar, 2007-Present

Wake Forest School of Law

Wake Forest Intellectual Property Journal

Articles Editor, 2006-2007

Staff Member, 2005-2006

Wake Forest Moot Court Board

Wake Forest Moot Court Problem Book

Editor-in-Chief, 2006-2007

Problem Book Team Member, 2005-2006

Marshall, 2006-2007

Member, 2005-2006

Admissions Tour Guide and Recruiter, 2005-2007

Undergraduate Pre-Law Mentor, 2006-2007

Women in Law Mentor, 2005-2007

HONORS AND AWARDS

University of Missouri

2018-2019 Major E. Garrett Faculty Fellowship

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

2016 Department of Political Science Nardulli Award for Research Excellence

Wake Forest School of Law

2007 Debbie Parker Moot Court Service Award

2007 Moot Court Board Award

2007 CALI Excellence for the Future Award: Tax Policy

2004-2007 Merit Scholarship

Lebanon Valley College

2004 Outstanding Female Athlete of the Year Award

2003 National Field Hockey Coaches Association Regional All-American

2001-2003 National Field Hockey Coaches Association Academic All-American

2000-2004 Presidential Scholarship