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Academic Employment

Pennsylvania State University Law School (University Park)
Assistant Professor

Education

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

Ph.D. Politics (2018): Dissertation: Essays on Supreme Court Agenda-Setting

YALE LAW SCHOOL

JD (2010)

Moot Court: Harlan Fiske Stone Prize for best oral advocacy (individual prize), Potter Stewart Prize for best overall written and oral argument (team prize)

John M. Olin Fellow in Law, Economics, & Policy
Yale Law Revue, director

BOSTON UNIVERSITY

MA Economics (2004)

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

BA University Scholars (2003)

Phi Beta Kappa, Outstanding Student in College of Arts and Sciences, Honors Program

Publications

The Supreme Court's Political Docket: How Ideology and the Chief Justice Control the Court's Agenda and Shape Law, 50 CONN. L. REV. 581 (2018)

Why Does the Supreme Court Uphold So Many Laws?, 2018 U. ILL. L. REV. 1001 (with Keith Whittington)

Horses & Carts and Justice & Rules: Getting the Order Right *in* EXPLORING THE POLITICAL ECONOMY AND SOCIAL PHILOSOPHY OF JAMES M. BUCHANAN, Rowman and Littlefield Int'l Ltd (2018)

Working Papers

The Supreme Court's (Surprising?) Indifference to Public Opinion (with Logan Strother)

Certiorari: A History with Questions

The Perils of Picking Questions

Clear Violations and Unclear Law: Problems with Judicial Recusals and Financial Interests (with John Newby Parton)

Should Like Cases Be Treated Alike?: Logical Limits and Consequences of Equality (with Richard Jordan)

Ideology and Agenda-Setting at the U.S. Supreme Court

Voting to Lose

Professional Experience

HAYNES AND BOONE

Litigation Associate (2010 - 2012), Dallas, TX

CHAMBERS OF JUDGE MICHAEL McCONNELL

Extern (summer 2009), Salt Lake City, UT

KEEFE, BRUYETTE, & WOODS

Associate – Equity Research (2005 - 2007), Atlanta, GA

Bar Admissions

Texas (Inactive), Northern District of Texas