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## Education

- 1998 Ph.D. in Political Science, University of Kentucky.  
Dissertation: *The Effects of Legal Mobilization on the U.S. Supreme Court's Attention to Issues*. Bradley Canon, Chair.
- 1996 M.A. in Political Science, University of Kentucky.
- 1993 B.A. in Political Science and French, Truman State University

## Professional Experience

- 2003-present Assistant Professor, University of Northern Iowa  
Courses: Law & Politics, Law & Courts, Constitutional Law, Civil Rights & Civil Liberties, American Government.
- 2001-2003 Visiting Professor, University of Cincinnati.  
Courses: Civil Liberties, Judicial Process, American Government, Congress, Presidency, Approaches to Political Science, Graduate Seminar on American Institutions.
- 1999-2001 Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Louisville.  
Courses: Constitutional Law, Civil Liberties, Judicial Process, American Government, Presidency, Parties and Elections.
- 1998-1999 Visiting Assistant Professor, Grand Valley State University  
Courses: Constitutional Law, Civil Liberties, Judicial Process, American Government.
- 1993-1998 Instructor, University of Kentucky  
Courses: American Government, Introduction to Political Analysis, Judicial Process.

## **Publications in Peer-reviewed Journals**

- “Campaigning for State Supreme Court 2006”. 2008. *Justice System Journal* (forthcoming).
- “Getting Attention: The Effect of Legal Mobilization on the U.S. Supreme Court’s Attention to Issues.” 2007. *Political Research Quarterly*, 60(3): 561.
- “Canons, Cost and Competition in State Supreme Court Elections.” 2007. *Judicature*, 91(1):27-35.
- "The Effects of Law School on Political Attitudes: Some Evidence from the Class of 2000." (with J.D. Droddy). 2003. *Journal of Legal Education*, 53: 33-47.
- "Courting Constituents: District Elections and Judicial Behavior on the Louisiana Supreme Court." (with James Cauthen). 2003. *The Justice System Journal*, 24: 265-281.

## **Publications in Law Reviews**

- “Online Campaigning in 2006 State Supreme Court Elections.” 2007. *Drake Law Review*, 55(3): 671-689.

## **Manuscripts Under Review**

- “Money, Incumbency and Canons of Ethics in State Supreme Court Elections, 1998-2006.” Revised and resubmitted to *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*.

## **Works in Progress**

- “Campaigning in a post- *White* Era: Candidates’ views of Canons of Ethics and Campaign Finance in State Supreme Court Elections.” Revising for resubmission to *Judicature*.
- “The Effects of Canons of Ethics on the Tone and Content of Television Ads in State Supreme Court Elections, 2000-2006.” Preparing for submission to *American Politics Research*, spring 2008.

## **Conference papers**

- “Incumbent Spending and Campaign Finance Reform in State Supreme Court Elections.” Paper presented at the 2006 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.
- “Financing Judicial Elections: The Effects of Money on Incumbent Success in State Supreme Court Elections.” Paper presented at the 2005 meeting of the American Political Science Association.
- “Getting Attention: U.S. Supreme Court Response to Litigant Demands.” Paper presented at the 2005 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

- "Institutional and attitudinal determinants of the Supreme Court's attention to issues." Paper presented at the 2004 meeting of Midwest Political Science Association.
- "The Class of 2000 at American Law Schools: Who They Are and What They Think." (With J.D. Droddy). Paper presented at 2000 Annual Meeting of the Kentucky Political Science Association.
- "The Supreme Court and Partisan Realignment, Redux." (With Michael Baranowski). Paper presented at the 1999 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.
- "Communities, Mobilization and the Supreme Court's Attention to Issues." Paper presented at the 1998 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association.
- "Getting Attention: The Supreme Court's Response to Legal Mobilization." Paper presented at the 1998 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.
- "Agenda Access and Issue Importance on the United States Supreme Court." Paper presented at the 1997 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.
- "Controversial Court Decisions, Individual Ideology and Retaliation: An Experiment." (With Bradley Canon, James Cauthen, and J.D. Droddy). Paper presented at the 1996 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.
- "Responding to Local Interests: Representational Behavior of State Supreme Court Justices." (With James Cauthen). Paper presented at the 1995 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association.
- "Public Support for the Supreme Court: Values, Awareness and Contextual Information." Paper presented at the 1995 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.
- "Party Identification and Judicial Decisions: An Integrated Model." Paper presented at the 1994 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association.

### **Service to Department**

- 2003-present Coordinator, Politics and Law Minor
- 2003-present Webmaster, Department of Political Science
- 2006-present Member, Student Outcome Assessment Committee
- 2007-present Member, Student Research Committee
- 2006 Member, American Politics Search Committee
- 2005 Brown bag research presentation
- 2005 Gave presentation to Political Science Society, 7 March
- 2004 Facilitator, Presidential Debate Watch
- 2003 Brown bag research presentation

2001 Faculty supervisor for student internship to ACLU, University of Louisville

### **Service to College**

2003-present Pre-law advisor  
2005-present Interviewer for SBS Scholarship Campus Visit Day  
2004-2006 Member of CSBS Project Grants Committee  
2006 Attended Midwest Association of Pre-law Advisors (MAPLA) Conference, Chicago, IL, September 22-25, 2005.

### **Service to University**

2003-present Advisor to Daniel Webster Law Society  
2007 Advisor for senior honors thesis  
2006 Co-chair, Constitution Day Committee  
2006 Moderator, Hoxie Forum 2006: Congress, the President and the Balance of Power.  
2005 "Cedar Valley 2005-2006," presentation on U.S. Government to seminar of international students for International Services Program, 14 November.  
2005 Organized panel discussion on Supreme Court nomination (27 September)  
2005 "Exploring Graduate Programs" presentation about law school for Academic Achievement Program, 16 September.  
2005 Recruited students for panel discussion on graduate and professional school, 23 April  
2005 Pre-law presentation for Educational Opportunity Programs, 1 April  
2004 Pre-law presentation for Educational Opportunity Programs, 10 November  
2004 Participated in panel discussion on election results  
2001 Advisor for senior honors thesis, University of Louisville

### **Service to Community**

#### *Speaking engagements*

Panelist at Canterbury Forum discussion on Church / State issues. 6 November 2005.

#### *Media interviews*

UNI News Briefs, 3 October 2005  
Radio Iowa, 3 October 2005  
Iowa News Network, 26 September 2005  
*Waterloo-Cedar Falls Courier*, 21 July 2005  
KCRG TV, 21 July 2005  
KXEL radio, 18 July 2005  
UNI News Briefs, 15 July 2005  
*Waterloo-Cedar Falls Courier*, 2 July 2005

KUNI radio, 3 November 2004

### **Service to Profession**

#### *Reviewer*

2005-present Reviewer for *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*.  
2006 Reviewer for *American Politics Research*.  
2005 Reviewer for National Science Foundation,  
Law and Social Science Program.

#### *Conferences*

2007 Discussant, 2007 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.  
2006 Discussant, 2006 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

### **Awards & Grants**

2007 Apple Polisher Award.  
2007 Graduate College Summer Fellowship, UNI. \$2758.50  
2006 CSBS Project Research Grant: \$240.00.  
2004 Summer research grant, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, UNI.  
\$4833.00

### **Professional Memberships**

- American Political Science Association
- Midwest Political Science Association
- Midwest Association of Pre-Law Advisors
- American Judicature Society