

# *Curriculum Vitae*

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### **Academic Appointments**

Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Georgia. 2016-

Affiliated Faculty, Criminal Justice Program, University of Georgia. 2013-

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Georgia. 2013-2016

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University at Buffalo, SUNY. 2009-2013

### **Education**

Ph.D., Washington University in St. Louis (2009), Political Science

A.M., Washington University in St. Louis (2006), Political Science

J.D., Wake Forest University School of Law (2004)

B.A., University of Florida (2001), Political Science (with honors)

### **Grants**

#### **External**

National Science Foundation Grant SES-1626932. Principal Investigator. "How Social Security Administration Appeals Fare in the Federal Trial Courts." Law and Social Sciences and Science of Organizations Programs. 2016-2019 (\$243,297). (Co-Principal Investigators Scott H. Ainsworth and Michael S. Lynch).

National Science Foundation Grant SES-0818751. "Doctoral Dissertation Research: Placing Federal District Courts in the Judicial Hierarchy." 2008 (\$11,154).

#### **Internal**

Junior-Senior Research Incentive Grant, University of Georgia School of Public and International Affairs, 2015-2016. (\$4,000) (with Scott H. Ainsworth).

Faculty Research Grant in the Sciences. "Policy Making in the Federal District Courts." University of Georgia Research Foundation. 2014-2015 (\$7,000).

Baldy Center for Law & Social Policy, Annual Research Grant, University at Buffalo, SUNY. 2012-2013 (\$3,600); 2011-2012 (\$5,000); 2010-2011 (\$2,500); 2009-2010 (\$4,000).

## Publications

### Articles: Peer Reviewed

- Boyd, Christina L. 2016. "Representation on the Courts? The Effects of Trial Judges' Sex and Race." *Political Research Quarterly* 69:788-799.
- Results discussed on London School of Economics' American Politics and Policy blog (September 2016).
- Boyd, Christina L., Michael S. Lynch, and Anthony J. Madonna. 2015. "Nuclear Fallout: Investigating the Effect of Senate Procedural Reform on Judicial Nominations." *The Forum* 13(4): 623-641.
- Boyd, Christina L. 2015. "Litigant Status and Trial Court Appeal Mobilization." *Law & Policy* 37(4): 294-323.
- Boyd, Christina L. 2015. "Opinion Writing in the Federal District Courts." *Justice System Journal* 36(3): 254-273.
- Boyd, Christina L. 2015. "The Hierarchical Influence of Courts of Appeals on District Courts." *Journal of Legal Studies* 44(1): 113-141.
- Boyd, Christina L. 2013. "She'll Settle It?" *Journal of Law and Courts* 1(2): 193-219.
- Boyd, Christina L. and David A. Hoffman. 2013. "Litigating Toward Settlement." *Journal of Law, Economics, & Organization*. 29(4): 898-929.
- Boyd, Christina L. and Amanda Driscoll. 2013. "The Politics of Adjudicatory Oversight in Executive Branch Agencies." *American Politics Research*. 41(4): 569-598.
- Boyd, Christina L. and Jacqueline Sievert. 2013. "Unaccountable Justice? The Decision Making of Magistrate Judges in the Federal District Courts." *Justice System Journal* 34(3): 249-273.
- Black, Ryan C. and Christina L. Boyd. 2013. "Selecting the Select Few: The Discuss List and the U.S. Supreme Court's Agenda-Setting Process." *Social Science Quarterly* 94(4): 1124-1144.
- Boyd, Christina L., David A. Hoffman, Zoran Obradovic, and Kosta Ristovski. 2013. "Building a Taxonomy of Litigation: Clusters of Causes of Action in Federal Civil Complaints." *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies* 10(1): 253-287.
- Black, Ryan C. and Christina L. Boyd. 2012. "The Role of Law Clerks in the U.S. Supreme Court's Agenda-Setting Process." *American Politics Research* 40: 147-173.
- Black, Ryan C. and Christina L. Boyd. 2012. "US Supreme Court Agenda Setting and the Role of Litigant Status." *Journal of Law, Economics, & Organization*. 28(2): 286-312.
- Boyd, Christina L., Lee Epstein, and Andrew D. Martin. 2010. "Untangling the Causal Effects of Sex on Judging." *American Journal of Political Science*. 54(2): 389-411.
- Winner of the 2008 Midwest Political Science Association Pi Sigma Alpha Award; Discussed in April 2009 Newsweek article ("Women: Truly the Fairer Sex"); May 2009 Washington Post op-ed ("When

Women Rule, It Makes a Difference”); June 2009 New York Times article (“Debate on Whether Female Judges Decide Differently Arises Anew”); June 2009 Washington Post article (“Court Watch: Wise Women, Impacting the Courts?”); July 2009 National Journal Magazine article (“Do Gender And Race Mean Greater Empathy?”); August 2010 Associated Press article (“3 Women on High Court”); Interviewed about for “Who Should Be Next on the US Supreme Court?” on NPR affiliate program *To The Point* hosted by Warren Olney.

### **Articles: Non-Peer Reviewed**

Boyd, Christina L. 2016. “The Comparative Outputs of Magistrate Judges.” *Nevada Law Journal* 16:949-982.

Boyd, Christina L. 2015. “In Defense of Empirical Legal Studies.” *Buffalo Law Review* 63: 363-377.

Black, Ryan C., Christina L. Boyd, and Amanda C. Bryan. 2015. “Revisiting the Influence of Law Clerks on the U.S. Supreme Court’s Agenda-Setting Process.” *Marquette Law Review* 98(1): 75-109.

Excerpted in *Marquette Lawyer*, Fall 2015; Research findings discussed in May 2015 “Academic highlight: The influence of the Supreme Court clerk” *Supreme Court of the United States Blog* (SCOTUS Blog).

Boyd, Christina L. and David A. Hoffman. 2010. “Disputing Limited Liability.” *Northwestern University Law Review*. 104(3): 853-916.

Boyd, Christina L. and James F. Spriggs, II. 2009. “An Examination of Strategic Anticipation of Appellate Court Preferences by Federal District Court Judges.” *Washington University Journal of Law and Policy*. 29: 37-80.

Kim, Pauline, Margo Schlanger, Christina L. Boyd, and Andrew D. Martin. 2009. “How Should We Study District Judge Decision-Making?” *Washington University Journal of Law and Policy*. 29: 83-112.

Epstein, Lee, Andrew D. Martin, and Christina L. Boyd. 2007. “On the Effective Communication of the Results of Empirical Studies, Part II.” *Vanderbilt Law Review*. 60: 798-846.

### **Book Chapter**

Boyd, Christina L. Forthcoming. “Gatekeeping and Filtering in Trial Courts” in *The Oxford Handbook of American Law and the Judiciary*. Lee Epstein and Stefanie Lindquist, eds. New York, NY: Oxford University Press

### **Short Pieces: Invited or Non Peer-Reviewed**

Boyd, Christina L. September 2016. “Diverse federal trial judges are more likely to rule in favor of minorities and women in sex and racial discrimination cases.” *London School of Economics’ American Politics and Policy Blog*.

Boldt, Ethan D. and Christina L. Boyd. 2016. “Federal Prosecutors as Strategic District Court Agenda Setters” *Law & Courts*. 26(2)(Summer): 7-9.

- Boyd, Christina L. 2015. "Preface" in *Empirical Theories About Courts* by Keith O. Boyum and Lynn Mather (2nd edition, Quid Pro Books).
- Boyd, Christina L. 2012. "Introduction: Symposium on Studying U.S. Trial Courts in Political Science" *Law & Courts*. 22(2)(Summer): 4-7.
- Boyd, Christina L. and Lee Epstein. May 3, 2009. "When Women Rule, It Makes a Difference." *Washington Post*. (Also published in *Chapel Hill Herald*, May 3, 2009; *The China Post*, May 4, 2009; *Dallas Morning News*, May 4, 2009; *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, May 5, 2009; *Miami Herald*, May 5, 2009; *Virginian-Pilot*, May 5, 2009; May 10, 2009; *San Mateo County Times*, May 10, 2009; *Contra Costa Times*, May 10, 2009; *Alameda Times-Star*, May 10, 2009; *Oakland Tribute*, May 10, 2009.)
- Epstein, Lee, Christina L. Boyd, and Andrew D. Martin. 2008. "The Court(s) and the Election." *Miller-McCune Magazine*. 1(5).
- Boyd, Christina L. 2008. "Sedition Act of 1918" & "National Prayer Breakfast" In *Encyclopedia of the First Amendment*, ed. David L. Hudson, David A. Schultz, & John R. Vile. Washington, D.C.: CQ Press.

## Honors & Awards

- Lisa Hertel Memorial Political Science Teaching Award, University at Buffalo, SUNY, 2012-2013.
- 2008 Pi Sigma Alpha Award for the best paper delivered at the 2007 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association for "Untangling the Causal Effects of Sex on Judging."
- Association of Women Faculty of Washington University 2007-2008 Graduate Student Award
- Antoinette Dames Prize for Outstanding Graduate Level Class Paper, 2008. Department of Political Science, Washington University.
- Dean's Dissertation Fellowship, Washington University (2008-2009)
- National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, Honorable Mention (2006)
- Washington University Graduate Fellowship (2004-2008)
- Center for Empirical Research in the Law, Graduate Student Associate (2006-2009)
- Washington University Summer Research Grant (2004-2008)
- Wake Forest Moot Court Board
- Wake Forest Law Scholastic Honors List
- Law Alumni Council Scholar (Wake Forest)
- Florida Bright Future Scholar
- University of Florida Dean's List

## Conference Presentations and Invited Talks

Faculty Workshop. Emory University School of Law. January 2016.

Workshop on Increasing Access to Federal Court Data. University of Pennsylvania Law School. October 2015.

Magistrate Judges and the Transformation of the Federal Judiciary. UNLV Boyd School of Law. September 2015.

Faculty Workshop. University of Georgia Law School. April 2015.

Faculty Workshop. Wake Forest Law School. February 2015.

Judicial Assistants or Junior Judges: The Hiring, Utilization, and Influence of Law Clerks Conference. Marquette University Law School. April 2014.

Research Workshop. Baldy Center for Law & Social Policy, University at Buffalo. February 2013.

Faculty Workshop. Duke Law School. September 2012.

New Voices in Civil Justice Scholarship Workshop, Vanderbilt University. May 2012.

Empirical Studies Seminar Lecture. University of Toronto, Faculty of Law. March 2012.

Faculty Colloquium. Syracuse University College of Law. February 2012.

Princeton University Faculty Colloquium in Public Law. October 2010.

10th Annual Law & Business Conference, Vanderbilt University. November 2009.

Meeting of the American Political Science Association. 2014, 2013, 2012, 2010, 2008, 2007.

Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007.

Conference on Empirical Legal Studies. 2015, 2012, 2010, 2008, 2007, 2006.

Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. 2016, 2007.

## Teaching Experience

University of Georgia

Criminal Justice Administration (undergraduate)

Judicial Process (undergraduate)

Crimina Justice Internship Supervision (undergraduate)

Special Topics in Law & Judicial Politics: The Supreme Court (undergraduate)

Special Topics in Law, Courts, & Judicial (graduate)

University at Buffalo, SUNY

Constitutional Law (Institutional Powers and Constraints) (undergraduate)  
Judicial Politics (undergraduate)  
Judicial Process (graduate)  
Supreme Court Seminar (undergraduate)  
Empirical & Theoretical Perspectives on Litigation (graduate and law; co-taught with  
Lynn Mather)

Washington University in St. Louis, University College (Instructor)

Constitutional Law  
Administrative Law & Politics

Teaching Assistant

The Supreme Court  
Social Scientific Research for Lawyers  
Law, Politics, & Society  
Courts & Civil Liberties  
National Security, Civil Liberties, & the Law  
Legislation & Administrative Law (Wake Forest Law)

## **Discipline Service**

APSA's Law and Courts section: Executive Committee Member (2014-2016)

Editorial Board, *Justice System Journal* (2014-)

American Law and Economics Association 2014 Annual Meeting Area Organizer (Courts, Evidence, Juries and Judges, and Judicial Decision-making)

Midwest Political Science Association 2013 Annual Conference Section Head (Law and Jurisprudence)

APSA's Law and Courts section: Best Journal Article Award (committee member 2012)

Discussant: Conference for Empirical Legal Studies (2008, 2010, 2012); Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2010, 2011, 2012, 2014).

Reviewer: American Journal of Political Science; American Political Science Review; American Politics Research; British Journal of Political Science; Canadian Journal of Political Science; Journal of Church and State; Journal of Law and Courts; Journal of Law, Economics, & Organization; Journal of Legal Studies; Journal of Politics; Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory; Judicature; Justice System Journal; Law & Policy; Law & Society Review; National Science Foundation; Political Research Quarterly; Politics & Policy; Polity; Social Science Quarterly

## **Department & University Service**

School of Public and International Affairs Dean Search Committee (2016-2017)  
Program Review and Assessment Committee, SPIA Representative (2016-2018)  
Department of Political Science, Graduate Committee (2016-)  
Pi Sigma Alpha UGA chapter advisor (2015-2016)  
Department of Political Science, Faculty Executive Committee (2014-2015; 2016-2017)  
Criminal Justice Studies Program Executive Committee (2013-)  
Public Law Field Examination Committee Chair (2011-2013)  
Graduate Admissions Committee (2009-2012)  
Ph.D. Dissertation Chair: Kristen Ng (2013 Ph.D.)  
Ph.D. Dissertation Member: Joshua Meddaugh (2012 Ph.D.); Justin DePlato (2012 Ph.D.)  
Political Science Representative: New Teaching Assistant Orientation (Fall 2007)  
American Politics Faculty Search Committee Graduate Representative (Fall 2006)  
Graduate Student Mentor (2006-2008)  
Social Science Computing Facility Statistical Consultant (2006-2007)

## **Professional Experience & Development**

Research Supervisor

“The Litigation Process in Government-Initiated Employment Discrimination Suits”  
Under NSF grant held by Pauline Kim, Andrew Martin, & Margo Schlanger. (2007-2009)

Coordinator

EEOC Litigation, The Civil Rights Litigation Clearinghouse at Washington University  
School of Law. (2007-2009)

Research Assistant

Melanie J. Springer: Researching state legislative elections. (2006-2007)

James L. Gibson: Researching state judicial elections. (2006)

Lee Epstein: Researching Blackmun Papers (certiorari memoranda and docket sheets)  
at the Library of Congress. (2005) Under NSF grant held by Lee Epstein and  
Harold Spaeth.

Lee Epstein: Researching the politics of judicial appointments. (2005)

Christine Coughlin, Wake Forest. (2003)

## **Professional Organization Membership**

North Carolina Bar (inactive)

## **References**

Available upon request