Curriculum Vitae
Christina L. Boyd

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Academic Appointments

Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Georgia. 2022-present

Thomas P. and M. Jean Lauth Public Affairs Professor, University of Georgia. 2021-present

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

Courtesy Appointment, School of Law, University of Georgia. 2019-present

Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Georgia. 2016-2022

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)

Areas of Specialization

Judicial Politics & Public Law
Women & Politics
American Politics
Bureaucratic & Executive Branch Politics
Empirical Legal Studies

Grants

External Grants

National Science Foundation Grant SES-2141551. Principal Investigator. "Creating the Federal Judicial Database and Research Agenda." Law and Science Program. 2022-2025. $483,086.

> *Project Summary*: The Federal Judicial Database (FJDB) project is developing a comprehensive biographical, attribute, and background database on the more than 4,000 Article III federal district and circuit judges serving from 1789-present. The FJDB is modernizing the process of compiling judicial biographical data and will result in the creation of an infrastructure and public interface that is sustainable for long-term data gathering, dissemination, and broad accessibility for researchers, students, the media, and policymakers alike.

> Informed discussion in *FiveThirtyEight* (January 2023).

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Law and Science Dissertation Grant via National Science Foundation (SBE-2016661), administered by Arizona State University. Co-Principal Investigator. "Framing the Law: Judges and Jury Instructions." 2022-2023. $16,654. Graduate Advisee: Matthew Baker.

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. 2016-2021. $243,297. (Co-Principal Investigators Ainsworth and Lynch).

National Science Foundation Grant SES-1626932. Principal Investigator. "Supplemental Funding: How Social Security Administration Appeals Fare in the Federal Trial Courts." Law and Social Sciences Program. 2019-2021. $45,986.

National Science Foundation Grant SES-1729077. Principal Investigator. "Doctoral Dissertation Research: The People and Process of Federal Criminal Cases." Law and Social Sciences Program. 2017-2018. $17,615. Graduate Advisee: Ethan Boldt.

National Science Foundation Grant SES-0818751. "Doctoral Dissertation Research: Placing Federal District Courts in the Judicial Hierarchy." Law and Social Sciences Program. 2008-2010. $11,154. Graduate Advisor: Andrew D. Martin.

Internal Grants

State-of-the-Art Conference Grant. "U.S. Supreme Court Nominations & Confirmations: Yesterday, Today, & Tomorrow Conference." University of Georgia Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost. 2023-2024. $14,084 (with Lori Ringhand and Paul Collins).

Public Impact Grant. "Book Launch Event." Willson Center for Humanities and Arts at the University of Georgia. 2023-2024. $5,000 (with Lori Ringhand and Paul Collins).

Junior-Senior Research Incentive Grant, University of Georgia School of Public and International Affairs, 2015-2016. $4,000.

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[†]

1 Books

Boyd, Christina L., Paul M. Collins, Jr., and Lori A. Ringhand. *Supreme Bias: Gender and Race in U.S. Supreme Court Confirmation Hearings.* In press, Stanford University Press (Fall 2023 expected release).

> *Project Summary*: In *Supreme Bias*, we examine the dynamics of gender and race at the Supreme Court confirmation hearings held before the Senate Judiciary Committee. The book uses extensive new data and qualitative evidence to highlight how the women and people of color who have sat before the Committee have faced a significantly different confirmation process than their white male colleagues. Despite being among the most qualified and well-credentialed lawyers of their respective generations, our evidence indicates that female nominees and nominees of color face more skepticism of their professional competence, are subjected to stereotype-based questioning, are more frequently interrupted, and are described in less-positive terms by senators.

[†]Quick links to Articles, Book Chapters, & Research in Progress; * denotes student co-author at the time of writing.

Discussed in American Bar Association Feature (August 2022); *Grid News* (March 2022); *Bloomberg News* (March 2022); *FiveThirtyEight* (March 2022).

Boyd, Christina L., Michael J. Nelson, Ian Ostrander, and Ethan D. Boldt.* 2021. *The Politics of Federal Prosecution*. Oxford University Press.

Discussed in *Washington Post: Monkey Cage* (Feb 2021); Reviewed in *Law and Politics Book Review* (November 2021).

2 Articles

Boyd, Christina L., Roberto F. Carlos, Margaret H. Taylor, Matthew E. Baker,* and Elise Blasingame.* N.D. Congressional Constraint? The Review of *In Absentia* Immigration Removal Orders in Federal Circuit Courts. Forthcoming *Political Research Quarterly*.

Boyd, Christina L., Paul M. Collins, Jr., Lori A. Ringhand, and Karson A. Pennington.* 2023. "Constructing the Supreme Court: How Race, Ethnicity, and Gender Have Affected Presidential Selection and Senate Confirmation Hearings." *Polity* 55: 400-409.

Boyd, Christina L., Tracey E. George, and Albert H. Yoon. 2022. "The Emerging Authority of Magistrate Judges within U.S. District Courts." *Journal of Law and Courts* 10: 37-60.

Boldt, Ethan D., Christina L. Boyd, Roberto F. Carlos, and Matthew E. Baker.* 2021. "The Effects of Judge Race and Sex on Pretrial Detention Decisions." *Justice System Journal* 42:341-358.

Discussed in *Brennan Center for Justice* Analysis (Feb 2022).

Boyd, Christina L., Pauline T. Kim, and Margo Schlanger. 2020. "Mapping the Iceberg: The Impact of Data Sources on the Study of District Courts." *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies* 17(3): 466-492. [.pdf]

Boyd, Christina L. and Adam G. Rutkowski.* 2020 "Judicial Behavior in Disability Cases: Do Judge Sex and Race Matter?" *Politics, Groups, and Identities* 8: 834-844. [.pdf]

Boyd, Christina L., Paul M. Collins, Jr., and Lori A. Ringhand. 2018. "The Role of Nominee Gender and Race at U.S. Supreme Court Confirmation Hearings." *Law & Society Review* 52: 871-901. [article and data (.zip)]

Discussed in *Washington Post* (March 2022); *Grid News*(March 2022); *Bloomberg News* (March 2022); *FiveThirtyEight* (March 2022); *Washington Post: Monkey Cage* (Sept 2020); *New York Times: The Interpreter* (Sept 2020).

Boldt, Ethan D.* and Christina L. Boyd. 2018. "The Political Responsiveness of Violent Crime Prosecution." *Political Research Quarterly* 71: 936-948. [.pdf]

Discussed in *Washington Post: Monkey Cage* (Feb 2021).

Barnett, Kent, Christina L. Boyd, and Christopher J. Walker. 2018. "Administrative Law's Political Dynamics." *Vanderbilt Law Review* 71: 1463-1526. [SSRN]

Discussed in *New York Times* (July 2018); *E&E News* (July 2018); *Law and Liberty* Blog (April 2018).

Barnett, Kent, Christina L. Boyd, and Christopher J. Walker. 2018. "The Politics of Selecting *Chevron* Deference." *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies* 15: 597-619. [SSRN]

Results discussed in *The Regulatory Review* (June 2017); The Volokh Conspiracy (*The Washington Post*) (June 2017)

Boyd, Christina L. and David A. Hoffman. 2017. "The Use and Reliability of Federal Nature of Suit Codes." *Michigan State Law Review* 2017: 997-1032.

Discussed in *ABA Journal* (August 2020); Empirical Legal Studies Blog (July 2017).

Boyd, Christina L. and Michael J. Nelson. 2017. "The Effects of Trial Judge Gender and Public Opinion on Criminal Sentencing Decisions." *Vanderbilt Law Review* 70: 1819-1843.

Boyd, Christina L. 2016. "Representation on the Courts? The Effects of Trial Judges' Sex and Race." *Political Research Quarterly* 69: 788-799. [.pdf]

Results discussed in *Christian Science Monitor* (January 2022); *Business Insider* (June 2021); *Business Insider* (April 2021); *FiveThirtyEight* (January 2021); *Voice of America* (October 2020); London School of Economics' American Politics and Policy blog (September 2016).

Reprinted in Mallicoat, Stacy L. 2018. *Women, Gender, and Crime: A Text/Reader.* 3rd edition. Sage Publications.

Reprinted in Spohn, Cassia, Craig Hemmens, and Wesley S. McCann. 2018. *Courts: A Text/Reader.* 3rd edition. Sage Publications

Boyd, Christina L. 2016. "The Comparative Outputs of Magistrate Judges." *Nevada Law Journal* 16:949-982. [.pdf]

Boyd, Christina L. 2015. "The Hierarchical Influence of Courts of Appeals on District Courts." *Journal of Legal Studies* 44(1): 113-141. [.pdf]

Boyd, Christina L. 2015. "Litigant Status and Trial Court Appeal Mobilization." *Law & Policy* 37(4): 294-323. [.pdf]

Boyd, Christina L. 2015. "Opinion Writing in the Federal District Courts." *Justice System Journal* 36(3): 254-273. [.pdf]

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. [.pdf]

Boyd, Christina L. 2015. "In Defense of Empirical Legal Studies." *Buffalo Law Review* 63: 363-377. [.pdf]

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. [.pdf]

Excerpted in *Marquette Lawyer*, Fall 2015; Research findings discussed on *SCOTUS Blog* (May 2015).

Boyd, Christina L. 2013. "She'll Settle It?" *Journal of Law and Courts* 1(2): 193-219. [.pdf]

Boyd, Christina L. and David A. Hoffman. 2013. "Litigating Toward Settlement." *Journal of Law, Economics, & Organization* 29(4): 898-929. [.pdf]

Boyd, Christina L. and Amanda Driscoll. 2013. "The Politics of Adjudicatory Oversight in Executive Branch Agencies." *American Politics Research* 41(4): 569-598. [.pdf]

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. [.pdf]

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. [.pdf]

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. [.pdf]

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. [.pdf]

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. [.pdf]

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. [.pdf]

> *Winner of the 2022 American Political Science Association Law & Courts Section Lasting Contribution Award*; *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.

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

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. [.pdf]

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. [.pdf]

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. [.pdf]

3 *Book Chapters*

Boyd, Christina L. and Sarah G. Hunter.* Forthcoming. "Designing and Executing Law and Courts Research for Drawing Causal Inferences." In *Concepts, Data, and Methods in Comparative Law and Politics*. Diana Kapiszewski and Matt Ingram, eds. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Boyd, Christina L., and Adam G. Rutkowski.* 2020. In *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics*. Oxford University Press. "Trial Courts in the United States." In *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics*. Oxford University Press. doi:10.1093/acrefore/9780190228637.013.108.

Boyd, Christina L. 2017. "Gatekeeping and Filtering in Trial Courts" in *The Oxford Handbook of U.S. Judicial Behavior*. Lee Epstein and Stefanie A. Lindquist, eds. New York, NY: Oxford University Press. [.pdf]

Boyd, Christina L. and Ethan D. Boldt.* 2017. "U.S. District Courts." In *Routledge Handbook Judicial Behavior*. Robert M. Howard and Kirk A. Randazzo, eds. New York, NY: Routledge. [.pdf]

Baker, Matthew E.* and Christina L. Boyd. 2021. Review of Bonica and Sen's *The Judicial Tug of War: How Lawyers, Politicians, and Ideological Incentives Shape the American Judiciary*. Law & Politics Book Review 31:111-114.

Boyd, Christina L., Michael J. Nelson, Ian Ostrander, and Ethan D. Boldt. 2021. "Biden Can't Instruct the New U.S. Attorneys on How to Prosecute the Capitol Rioters. But They'll Listen to his Signals." *Washington Post: Monkey Cage* February 1.

Boyd, Christina L., Paul M. Collins, Jr., and Lori A. Ringhand. 2020. "Senators Treat Female Supreme Court Nominees Differently. Here's the Evidence." *Washington Post: Monkey Cage*. September 29.

Barnett, Kent, Christina L. Boyd, and Christopher J. Walker. 2018. "Judge Kavanaugh, Chevron Deference, and the Supreme Court." *The Regulatory Review*. September 3.

Barnett, Kent, Christina L. Boyd, and Christopher J. Walker. 2018. "Chevron Patterns in the Circuit Courts." *Administrative & Regulatory Law News*. 43(4):4-6.

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. "Foreword" 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 Tribune*, May 10, 2009.)

Epstein, Lee, Christina L. Boyd, and Andrew D. Martin. 2008. "The Court(s) and the Election." *Miller-McCune Magazine*. 1(5).

Research in Progress

Elise N. Blasingame,* Christina L. Boyd, Roberto F. Carlos, and Joseph T. Ornstein. "How the Trump Administration's Quota Policy Transformed Immigration Judging." Under Review (Invited to Revise & Resubmit).

Abstract: With federal immigration courts facing substantial case backlogs, in October 2018 the Trump administration imposed a controversial performance quota policy on immigration judges. The political motivations were clear: to pressure immigration judges to order more removals as quickly as possible. Typical presidential methods to constrain immigration judges' behavior are weak, but this policy and its threat of employment sanctions made it more likely to generate political responsiveness. To assess whether this occurred, we employ an interrupted time series analysis on hundreds of thousands of judicial decisions from 2012-2020. Our analysis demonstrates that the policy successfully altered immigration judge behavior in the Trump administration's desired direction, with higher rates of *in absentia* and merits removal orders resulting, particularly among those judges needing to shift their behavior to comply. Our findings have significant implications for immigration judge independence, due process protections for noncitizens, and presidential efforts to control the federal bureaucracy.

Winner of the Midwest Political Science Association Evan Ringquist Award for best paper on political institutions presented at the 2022 conference. April 2023; *Winner of the American Political Science Association Law & Courts Section 2023 Best Conference Paper Award for best subfield paper presented at a 2022 conference.* August 2023.

Boyd, Christina L., Paul M. Collins, Jr., and Lori A. Ringhand. "Gender, Race, and Interruptions at Supreme Court Confirmation Hearings." Under Review.

Abstract: When political actors show disrespect to one another based on gender or race, this highlights inequalities that have important ramifications for the political system and our broader society. We examine whether gender and racial bias affects interruption rates at one of the most visible events in American politics: U.S. Supreme Court confirmation hearings. Using original data from 1939 to 2022, we find that male and white participants are more likely to interrupt women and person of color speakers, respectively, relative to male and white speakers. This finding holds for both senators and nominees as interrupters. Our results provide evidence that biased interruptive behavior occurs in even the most public and salient of political settings and that it can be mitigated (or intensified) by shared (or opposite) partisanship among speaking pairs. We also find interruption inequalities are not isolated to women as the interrupted, confirming for the first time that people of color in political and legal settings are subject to heightened rates of interruptions as well.

Baker, Matthew E.,* Christina L. Boyd, Aidan N. González,* and Karson A. Pennington.* "Race and Gender in Judicial Selection in the United States" in Michael P. Fix and Matthew Montgomery, eds. *Research Handbook on Judicial Politics.* Edward Elgar Publishing. Under Review.

Chapter Summary: This chapter explores the impact of race and gender in judicial selection in federal and state courts. We first focus on federal selection, highlighting the distinctive process and obstacles faced by people of color and women Supreme Court and lower court nominees during presidential selection and Senate confirmation. Broadening to the state courts, we look at the historic first female and person of color judges and then examine how different selection systems impact representation on the bench. Throughout the chapter, the common theme of politics dominates. At both the state and federal levels, we see that the decision to prioritize or fight (explicitly or implicitly) the selection of women and persons of color as judges is often driven by the promise of political benefits. As we conclude the chapter, we highlight some lessons gleaned from the expanded diversity on the bench and what policy makers can do to continue the march onward.

Boyd, Christina L., David Cottrell, and Geoffrey Sheagley. "Judges as Participants in Democracy." Draft in Preparation.

Baker, Matthew E.,* Christina L. Boyd, Jennifer Hickey,* and Adam G. Rutkowski.* "How the Politics of Federal Judicial Selection Affect Judicial Diversity and Public Confidence in Courts." Draft in Preparation.

Boyd, Christina L. and Sidney Shank.* "How Gender Biased Oral Argument Interruptions Opened the Door for Chief Justice Roberts to be a Transformational Leader." Draft in Preparation.

Honors & Awards

American Political Science Association Law & Courts Section 2023 Best Conference Paper Award for "How the Trump Administration's Quota Policy Transformed Immigration Judging."

Midwest Political Science Association Evan Ringquist Award (co-winner) for best paper on political institutions presented at the 2022 conference for "The Trump Effect on Immigration Court Cases." April 2023.

American Political Science Association Law & Courts Section 2022 Lasting Contribution Award for "Untangling the Causal Effects of Sex on Judging."

Thomas P. Lauth Award for Excellence in Teaching by a Senior Faculty Member in Political Science, Department of Political Science, University of Georgia, 2022.

School of Public and International Affairs Excellence in Research Award, University of Georgia, 2020-2021.

Thomas P. Lauth Award for Excellence in Teaching by a Senior Faculty Member in Political Science, Department of Political Science, University of Georgia, 2019-2020.

School of Public and International Affairs Excellence in Teaching Award, University of Georgia, 2019.

Graduate School Outstanding Mentoring Award, Social and Behavioral Sciences, University of Georgia, 2018.

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

Arlin M. Adams Center for Law and Society's Lecture Series Speaker. Susquehanna University. October 2022.

Faculty and Student Workshop and Law & Social Science. University of Virginia School of Law. October 2022.

Faculty Workshop. George Mason University School of Law. October 2021.

Research Conference on Federal Magistrate Judges. Emory University Center for Law and Social Science. April 2021.

Faculty Workshop. Michigan State University. April 2019.

What's Happening in Federal Court? Civil Justice Research Initiative Inaugural Symposium. Berkeley Law School. April 2018.

Judicial Process Colloquium. Duke Law School. March 2018.

Atlanta Symposium on Political Science. Keynote Speaker. Georgia State University. March 2018.

Empirical Legal Studies and Legal Analytics: Shall the Twain Meet? Michigan State University College of Law. March 2017.

Vanderbilt Law Review Symposium. Vanderbilt University School of Law. March 2017.

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. Feb. 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. 2023, 2019, 2018, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2010, 2008, 2007.

Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. 2023, 2022, 2018, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007.

Conference on Empirical Legal Studies. 2021/2022, 2015. 2012, 2010, 2008, 2007, 2006.

Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. 2023, 2020, 2016. 2007.

Student Mentorship & Development Activities

Graduate Students

Ph.D. Dissertation Chair: Matt Baker (2023 Ph.D., University of Georgia)

> Dissertation: *Framing the Law: Judges and Jury Instructions*
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> Initial placement: Assistant Teaching Professor, Department of Political Science, Emory University
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> Recipient of Law and Science Dissertation Grant, funded through Law & Science program at the National Science Foundation

Ph.D. Dissertation Chair: Adam Rutkowski (2022 Ph.D., University of Georgia)

> Dissertation: *The Political Backgrounds of U.S. Courts of Appeals Judges*
>
> Initial placement: Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Troy University

Ph.D. Dissertation Chair: Ethan Boldt (2019 Ph.D., University of Georgia)

> Dissertation: *The Process is the People: Judge and Attorney Influence on Federal Criminal Cases*

Initial placement: Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science and Public Policy, North Dakota State University

Current Position: Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice, Endicott College

Recipient of National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant.

Ph.D. Dissertation Chair: Kristen Ng (2013 Ph.D., University at Buffalo, SUNY)

Dissertation: *Examining the Effects of Extra Legal Factors on Immigration Decision Making in Asylum Cases*

Current Position: Corporate counsel and lobbyist on U.S. business immigration for Amazon.com Inc.

Featured in *Washington Business Journal* as a 2022 40 Under 40 honoree.

Ph.D. Dissertation Member: Joshua Meddaugh (2012 Ph.D.); Justin DePlato (2012 Ph.D.); Karen Jazayeri (2016 Ph.D); Allison Trochesset (2018 Ph.D.); Gordon Ballingrud (2018 Ph.D.); Catherine Funk (2019 Ph.D.); Ted Rossier (2021 Ph.D.); Allison Vick (2022 Ph.D.); Sara Heridia (in progress, Emory University).

Masters Thesis Chair or Member: Seth Euster, Karson Pennington, Christian Sullivan.

Pre-dissertation graduate students in-progress: Karson Pennington, Sidney Shank, Josh Baldwin

Recipient of 2018 University of Georgia Graduate School Outstanding Mentoring Award for the Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Founded in 2014 *UGA Law & Courts Working Group*. Monthly workshop for subfield graduate students to host nationally recognized scholars, present works-in-progress, and provide professional development.

Co-founded in 2013 *UGA Women of SPIA Network*, a graduate student-faculty mentoring group and listserv.

Grant support of graduate students. Funded multiple graduate student assistantships through NSF grants, plus additional hourly employment during academic year and summer. Used projects to mentor graduate students in research design, data collection, grant seeking, and project supervision.

Undergraduate Students

Center for Undergraduate Research Opportunities (CURO) Advisor: Taylor Withrow, Alex Corluyan, Robina Gallagher, Rachel Sinclair, Grace Hayes, Isabelle Eby, Jenah Clarkson, Emily Willard, Danielle St. Amand.

- Projects of note include: "Analyzing Trends in the Hiring of Female United States Supreme Court Law Clerks Over Time" (Willard, 2021); "The Challenges for the First Women and People of Color in the U.S. Judiciary" (Clarkson, 2021).

Undergraduate Honors Thesis Advisor: Taylor Withrow, Grace Hayes, Zachary Blanton, Alyssa Jones, Jennifer Walnick.

- Projects of note include: "The Contributions of Blindness to Systemic Inequality: A Case for Further Emphasis on Empathy in Judicial Systems" (Hayes); "Tenure-Granting Discrimination Based on Gender" (Walnick); "The Intersection of Disability and Poverty: Social Security Administration Appeals in Federal Trial Courts" (Withrow).

Undergraduate directed research supervision and sponsorship (for credit) on law and courts, women and politics, and judicial diversity research topics: 10-20 students per year.

Incorporate creative teaching activities into classroom, from nomination and confirmation simulations to criminal justice reform proposals to jury selection and criminal trial activities.

Teaching Experience

University of Georgia

      Supreme Court Politics: The Institution and Its Justices (undergraduate)

      Criminal Justice Administration (undergraduate)

      Judicial Process and Politics (undergraduate and graduate)

      Criminal Justice Internship Supervision (undergraduate)

      Special Topics: Judicial Diversity, Women & Politics, Collegial Judging, Litigation (graduate)

University at Buffalo, SUNY

      Constitutional Law (Institutional Powers and Constraints) (undergraduate)

      Judicial Politics (undergraduate and 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 (WUSTL); Social Scientific Research for Lawyers (WUSTL); Law, Politics, & Society (WUSTL); Courts & Civil Liberties (WUSTL); National Security, Civil Liberties, & the Law (WUSTL); Legislation & Administrative Law (Wake Forest Law)

Discipline Service

APSA's Edward S. Corwin Award Committee (committee chair 2023)

APSA's 2023 Conference Division Co-organizer (Law & Courts)

APSA's Law and Courts section: Best Journal Article Award (committee member 2022)

MPSA's Evan Ringquist Award Committee (committee member 2022)

SPSA's Nominating Committee (committee member 2021)

APSA's Law and Courts section: Service Award (committee chair 2020)

APSA's Law and Courts section: Secretary (2017-2019)

National Science Foundation Advisory Panelist, Law & Science Program

APSA's Law and Courts section: Best Journal Article Award (committee chair 2017)

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

Guest Editor, *Journal of Law & Courts* (2021, 2022)

Editorial Board, *Journal of Law & Courts* (2019-)

Editorial Board, *Justice System Journal* (2014-2022)

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

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

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

Discussant: Conference for Empirical Legal Studies (2008, 2010, 2012, 2022); Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2010, 2011, 2012, 2014; 2015; 2018; 2022; 2023); American Political Science Association (2018)

Reviewer: American Journal of Political Science; American Law and Economics Review; American Political Science Review; American Politics Research; Behavioral Sciences & The Law; British Journal of Political Science; Canadian Journal of Political Science; Criminology, Criminal Justice, Law & Society; Drug and Alcohol Dependence; Economic Letters; European Journal of Political Economy; Gender & Society; International Review of Law & Economics; Journal of Church and State; Journal of Empirical Legal Studies; Journal of Law and Courts; Journal of Law, Economics, & Organization; Journal of Legal Studies; Journal of Politics; Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory; Journal of Women, Politics, & Policy; Judicature; Justice Quarterly; Justice System Journal; Law & Policy; Law & Social Inquiry; Law & Society Review; Legislative Studies Quarterly; National Science Foundation; PLOS ONE; Political Research Quarterly; Politics & Policy; Politics & Gender; Politics, Groups, and Identities; Polity; Research & Politics; Sex Roles; Social Forces; Social Science Quarterly; Social Science Research

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Depart. of Political Science, American Politics Search Committee, Chair (2022-2023)

Depart. of Political Science, American Politics Search Committee (2021-2022)

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Depart. of Political Science, Methodology-American Politics Search Committee (2019-2020)

Depart. of Political Science, Junior American-Behavior Search Committee (2018-2019)

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; 2017-2018; 2018-2019)

Criminal Justice Studies Program Executive Committee (2013-)

Public Law Field Examination Committee Chair (2011-2013)

Graduate Admissions Committee (2009-2012)

Political Science Representative: New Teaching Assistant Orientation (Fall 2007)

American Politics Faculty Search Committee Graduate Representative (Fall 2006)

Graduate Student Mentor (2006-2008)

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