

## *Curriculum Vitae*

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#### **Education**

Ph.D., Political Science, University of Georgia, expected 2022

**Major Field:**  
American Politics

**Minor Field:**  
Quantitative Methods

B.A., *summa cum laude*, Political Science, Augusta University, 2017

#### **Research**

##### **Research Interests**

- Law and Courts
- American political institutions
- Federal trial and appellate judicial behavior
- Federal lower court selection
- Separation of powers

##### **Peer Reviewed Publications**

Boyd, Christina L., and Adam G. Rutkowski. "Judicial Behavior in Disability Cases: Do Judge Sex and Race Matter?" Forthcoming, *Politics, Groups, and Identities*.

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

Rutkowski, Adam G., Allison Vick, Martha H. Ginn, and Lance Hunter. 2017. "Biggest Loser? Obama's Administrative Agencies and the Supreme Court." *Questions in Politics* 4(2017): 81-106.

### **Research in Progress**

"The Constitutional Interpretation Styles of U.S. Supreme Court Justices"

"*Smith v. Allwright*: Examining External Reform and the Electoral Connection"  
(with Aaron A. Hitefield)

"Exploring President Trump's Nominees to the U.S. Courts of Appeals"

### **Fellowships, Honors, & Awards**

- Comprehensive Exams (Spring 2020): American Politics (pass with distinction) and Quantitative Methods (pass)
- Liberty, Citizenship, and Rights Fellowship (2017-2019), American Founding Group, University of Georgia
- Augusta University Dean's List
- Gloria Story Dittus Scholarship (2016)
- Kathryn Reese Pamplin Scholarship (2013-2017)
- Phi Kappa Phi
- Pi Sigma Alpha

### **Teaching Experience**

#### **Instructor of Record**

Criminal Justice Administration, University of Georgia, Fall 2019

#### **Teaching Assistant**

Criminal Justice Administration, University of Georgia, Fall 2020 (Instructor: Christina L. Boyd)

### **Professional Experience & Development**

#### **Research Supervisor**

"How Social Security Administration Appeals Fare in the Federal Trial Courts." Under NSF grant SES-1626932 held by Christina L. Boyd, Scott H. Ainsworth, and Michael S. Lynch. (2020-present)

## **Research Assistant**

Christina L. Boyd: Researching disability case appeals at the federal trial courts. Under NSF grant SES-1626932 held by Christina L. Boyd, Scott H. Ainsworth, and Michael S. Lynch. University of Georgia (2018-present)

Martha H. Ginn: Researching executive success at the Supreme Court. Augusta University (2016)

## **Professional Activity**

### **Conference Presentations**

Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 2020: “Exploring President Trump’s Nominees to the U.S. Courts of Appeals.” *Conference cancelled.*

Southern Political Science Association, Austin, TX, January 2019: “The Effect of U.S. Supreme Court Justices’ Constitutional Interpretation Styles of Fourth Amendment Cases.”

Georgia Political Science Association, Savannah, GA, November 2018: “The Effect of U.S. Supreme Court Justices’ Constitutional Interpretation Styles of Fourth Amendment Cases.”

Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA, January 2018: “Terrorism and Right Party Vote Share in Legislative Elections: A Cross-National Analysis” (with Lance Young Hunter, Joseph W. Robbins, Martha H. Ginn, and Aaron Hutton).

Georgia Political Science Association, Savannah, GA, November 2016: “Biggest Loser: Obama’s Administrative Agencies and the Supreme Court” (with Allison Vick, Martha H. Ginn, and Lance Y. Hunter).

### **Memberships**

Midwest Political Science Association  
Southern Political Science Association  
Georgia Political Science Association

## **Relevant Graduate Coursework**

### **Law and Courts**

The Supreme Court and the Judicial Hierarchy  
State and Federal Court Systems  
The United States Courts of Appeals  
Constitutional Law: Rights and Liberties

## **American Politics**

American Politics Pre-Seminar  
The U.S. Presidency  
Legislative Process  
American Political Development  
U.S. Congressional Elections  
Public Opinion

## **Methodology**

Research Design  
Introduction to Political Methodology  
Linear Regression  
Maximum Likelihood Estimation  
Bayesian Inference  
Rational Choice Theory

## **References**

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