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Education:

Ph.D., Political Science, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio (December 2003).

Examination Areas: American Government (Public Law, Presidency, Interest Groups) and International Relations (International Relations and U.S. Foreign Policy).

M.A., Political Science, Western Illinois University, Macomb, Illinois (May 1994).

Area of Concentration: International Relations.

B.S., Law Enforcement Administration/Political Science, Summa Cum Laude.

Western Illinois University, Macomb, Illinois (December 1990).

Academic Appointments:

2019 - Present

Professor of Political Science: Ball State University, Muncie, IN.

2022

Interim Director of Legal Studies: Ball State University, Muncie, IN.

2018 - 2022

Chair, Department of Political Science: Ball State University, Muncie, IN.

2016-2018

Assistant Chair, Department of Political Science: Ball State University, Muncie, IN.

2013-2019

Associate Professor of Political Science: Ball State University, Muncie, IN.

2009-2013

Assistant Professor of Political Science: Ball State University, Muncie, IN.

2005-2009

Assistant Professor of Political Science: University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL.

2001-2005

Assistant Professor/Instructor of Political Science: Northwest College, Powell, WY.

Teaching Interests:

Judicial Politics	Homeland Security	Civil Liberties
The American Presidency	The War on Terror	Constitutional Law
Terrorism	American Government	Administrative Law

Research Interests:

Separation of Powers Judicial/Policy Implementation Social Media Civil Liberties – War on Terror The American Presidency Terrorism

Professional Publications:

Books:

Social Media for Student Affairs in #Higher Education: Trends, Challenges, and Opportunities (with Dr. Brandon Waite) (Rowman & Littlefield, 2020).

Congress and the War on Terror: Making Policy for the Long War (Praeger, 2018).

Understanding and Using Social Media on College Campuses: A Practical Guide for Higher Education Professionals (with Dr. Brandon Waite) (Rowman & Littlefield, 2016).

Presidential Power in Action: Implementing Supreme Court Detainee Decisions (Palgrave-MacMillan, 2008).

Peer Reviewed Articles:

"Internship Alternatives: Solutions for the COVID-19 Pandemic and Beyond." *Teaching Public Administration* (with Dr. Brandon Waite) (Fall, 2021).

"The 'Liked' Department: Using Facebook Analytics for Strategic Communication" (with Dr. Brandon Waite) – *PS: Political Science & Politics* 47:3 (July 2014): 667-73.

"The Value of State Political Science Organizations." *Journal of Economics and Politics* 21:1 (2013): 30-9.

"Reading Presidential War Powers Narrowly: Politics and Presidential Self-Interest." *Homeland Security Review* 7:2 (Summer 2013): 151-170.

"Methodological, Theoretical, and Topical Challenges in Judicial Implementation Studies." *Indiana Journal of Political Science* 13 (Summer 2011): 18-26.

"Checking Presidential Detention Power in the War on Terror: What Should We Expect from the Judiciary?" *Presidential Studies Quarterly* 39:4 (2009): 677-700.

Law Review Articles:

"Actor Preference and the Implementation of *INS v. Chadha.*" *Brigham Young University Journal of Public Law* 23:1 (Fall 2008): 83-117.

"Implementing INS v. Chadha: Communication Breakdown?" Wayne Law Review 52:3 (Fall 2006): 1186-1221.

Encyclopedia Articles: (All co-authors are undergraduate or graduate students.)

"Watergate", "ABSCAM" (with David Chambers and Avarie Bowman) in *Money in American Politics: An Encyclopedia* David Schultz (ed.) ABC-CLIO (July 2018).

"Traitors", "Libertarian Party (USA)", "Biometric Surveillance", "Political Scandals", and "Taliban" (with Josh Ratel-Khan, Nadeemullah Nooristani, Grey Harris, Sarah Ober, and Todd Blevins) in *The SAGE Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security, and Privacy*, Bruce Arrigo (ed.) SAGE Reference (March 2018).

"Federal Intelligence Surveillance Court", "Federal Intelligence Surveillance Court of Review", and "Wiretapping" in *The Encyclopedia of the Fourth Amendment*, John Vile and David Hudson (eds.) CQ Press (December 2012).

Encyclopedia Articles (Continued):

"George W. Bush Administration", "Homeland Security", "Jimmy Carter Administration", "Military Courts", "Smith Act", and "Yates v. United States" (with Eric Vandervort and Josh Thompson) in *The Social History of Crime and Punishment: An Encyclopedia*, William Miller (ed.) SAGE Publishing (June 2012).

"Assault and Battery", "Confrontation Clause", "Sex Crimes", and "Subpoena" (with Jesse Beal, Eric Vandervort and JoAnna Desmith) in *The Encyclopedia of American Law and Criminal Justice*, David Schultz (ed.) Facts on File (April 2012).

"Death Penalty and Racial Discrimination" and "Lawrence v. Texas" in Encyclopedia of American Civil Liberties and Rights. Otis Stephens and John Scheb (eds.) Greenwood Publishing Group (2006).

Other Professional Publications:

The Significance of Political Trust in Mined Land Reclamation and Reforestation Efforts (with Stacy Edmonds Wheeler). Conference Proceedings of the American Society of Mining and Reclamation Conference, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (June 2010).

The "Other Club" Environmental Dinner-Debate Society (with Stacy Edmonds Wheeler). Conference Proceedings for the 8th Ball State University Greening of the Campus Conference. (September 2009).

Book Reviews:

"Power Without Constraint: The Post-9/11 Presidency and National Security" by Chris Edelson. Presidential Studies Quarterly 49:2 (2019) p. 239.

"Congress and the Politics of National Security" by David P. Auerswald and Colton C. Campbell (eds.). Law and Politics Book Review, Rule of Law in a Post-9/11 World Symposium 23(10) (October 2013).

"The Politics of Torture" by Tracy Lightcap. Law and Politics Book Review 22 (10) (October 2012).

"Legal Issues in the Struggle Against Terror" by John Norton Moore & Robert F. Turner. Law and Politics Book Review 21(2) (February 2011).

"After Bush: The Case for Continuity in American Foreign Policy" by Timothy Lynch and Robert Singh. Law and Politics Book Review 18 (8) (August 2008).

"The Story of Cruel and Unusual" by Colin Dayan. Law and Politics Book Review 17 (8) (August 2007).

"Before the Next Attack: Preserving Civil Liberties in an Age of Terrorism" by Bruce Ackerman. Journal of Politics 69:1 (2007) pp. 265-6.

"Military Tribunals & Presidential Power: American Revolution to the War on Terrorism" by Louis Fisher. Presidential Studies Quarterly 36:4 (2006) p. 758.

"The Cultural Lives of Capital Punishment" by Austin Sarat and Christian Boulanger (eds.). Law and Politics Book Review 15 (12) (December 2005).

Book Reviews (Continued):

"The Future of Imprisonment" by Michael Tonry (ed.). Law and Politics Book Review 14 (11) (November 2004).

"Facing Violence: The Path of Restorative Justice and Dialogue" by Mark Umbreit, et. al. Law and Politics Book Review 14 (3) (February 2004).

Work in Progress:

No More Melting Pot? Weaponizing Immigration Law After 9/11 (Book Manuscript).

Applying Intro to American Government: A Skill-Based Approach for Career-Minded Students (Book Manuscript with Dr. Brandon Waite).

"Fighting Terrorism Across Three Presidencies since 9/11: Continuity or Change?" (Article).

"The Norm-Buster?: President Trump's Legacy" (Article)

Professional Presentations:

Political Science for Career-Minded Students (with Dr. Brandon Waite). Paper presented at the Kentucky Political Science Association Conference, Morehead, Kentucky (March 2020).

Military Tribunals in a Post-9/11 World. Paper presented for the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois (April 2019).

Terrorism Policy in Trump's America: Will There Be Continuity or Change? (with Lydia Kotowski) Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois (April 2018).

Interrogation and Torture since 9/11: How Has Congress Impacted Policy Making in this Area? Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois (April 2018).

Making Surveillance Policy for the Long War: The Role of Congress. Paper presented at the Ohio Association for Economists and Political Scientists Conference, Tiffin, Ohio (September 2017).

Congress and the War on Terror: Roles, Limits, and Goals in Making Policy for the Long War. Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois (April 2017).

Devising Long-Term Solutions in the Fight Against Terrorism: U.S. Drone Use Policy. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (September 2016).

Using Social Media to Transform University Communications: Connecting with Prospective, Current, and Former Students on their Terms (with Dr. Brandon Waite). Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (September 2016).

A Three Ring Circus: How Congress, the President, and the Judiciary Make Electronic Surveillance Policy in the War on Terror. Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois (April 2016).

Professional Presentations (Continued):

Leveraging Social Media Technology in Higher Education to Enhance the Student Experience: Overcoming Institutional Hurdles and Barriers (with Dr. Brandon Waite). Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois (April 2016).

Using Facebook to Improve Department-Student Communications: A Case Study on using Internet Technology in Higher Education (with Dr. Brandon Waite). Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois (April 2016).

Social Media and the Academic Department: Navigating Technological Change on Campus (with Dr. Brandon Waite). Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois (April 2015).

Behind the Like: The Characteristics and Motivations of Department Facebook Page Users (with Dr. Brandon Waite and Todd Blevins). Paper presented at the Indiana State Political Science Conference, South Bend, Indiana (March 2015).

The Academic Department's Guide to Facebook: Strategies for Successful Communication Using Social Media (with Dr. Brandon Waite). Paper presented at the Ohio Association of Economists and Political Scientists Conference, Perryville, Ohio (September 2014).

Digitizing the Department: Using Facebook Analytics for Recruitment and Retention (with Dr. Brandon Waite). Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois (April 2013).

Deliberative Policy Making in the War on Terror: Military Tribunals. Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois (April 2013).

Political Pitfalls and Presidential War Powers. Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois (April 2012).

The Value of State Political Science Organizations. Paper presented at the Ohio Association of Economists and Political Scientists Conference, Bowling Green, Ohio (October 2011).

The Significance of Political Trust in Mined Land Reclamation and Reforestation Efforts. (with Stacy Edmonds Wheeler). Paper presented at the American Society of Mining and Reclamation Conference, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (June 2010).

Limiting the Presidential Surveillance State?: An Inquiry into the Role of the Judiciary in the War on Terror. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Conference, Toronto, Canada (September 2009).

Changing the Face of SMCRA Reclamation: The Importance of Political Trust (with Stacy Edmonds Wheeler). Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Conference, Toronto, Canada (September 2009).

Checks & Balances in the War on Terror: What Role for the Judiciary? Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois (April 2009).

Professional Presentations (Continued):

Judicial Power, the First Amendment and the War on Terror. Paper presented at the Georgia Political Science Association Conference, Savannah, Georgia (November 2008).

Checking Presidential Detention Power in the War on Terror: What Should We Expect from the Judiciary? Paper presented at the Florida Political Science Association Conference, St. Petersburg, Florida (April 2008).

My Way or the Highway?: Presidential Power and the Implementation of Rasul v. Bush. Paper presented at the Southern Political Science Association Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana (January 2008).

Enemy Combatants and Executive Power in the War on Terror: The Case of Jose Padilla. Paper presented at the Georgia Political Science Conference, Savannah, Georgia (November 2007).

Military Tribunals and Hamdan v. Rumsfeld: The President as "Chief Implementer"? Paper presented at the Florida Political Science Association Conference, Orlando, Florida (March 2007).

Implementing Supreme Court Detainee Decisions: Presidential Power in Action. Paper presented at the Southern Political Science Association Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana (January 2007).

The Implementation of Hamdan v. Rumsfeld and the Struggle for Power in Prosecuting the War on Terror. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (September 2006).

Methodological, Theoretical, and Topical Challenges in Judicial Implementation Studies. Paper presented at the Florida State Political Science Association Conference (April 2006).

Lower Court Responses to Hamdi v. Rumsfeld: A Mixed Bag? Paper presented at the Southern Political Science Association Conference, Atlanta, Georgia (January 2006).

Seeking a Role: The Rehnquist Court, Government Detainees and the War on Terror. Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Conference, Chicago, Illinois (April 2005).

Actor Preference and the Implementation of INS v. Chadha. Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois (April 2001).

INS v. Chadha: Communication Breakdown? Paper presented at the Ohio Association of Economists and Political Scientists Conference, Kent, Ohio (October 2000).

*INS v. Chadha: A Study in Implementation and Imp*act. Paper presented at the New York Political Science Association Conference, New York, New York (April 1999).

Other Professional Conference and Workshop Activity:

Panel Chair, *Ethics and Civility*, Bowen Institute for Political Participation, Indianapolis, Indiana (March 2019).

Panel Chair, *Women in Electoral Politics*, Bowen Institute for Political Participation, Indianapolis, Indiana (March 2018).

Panel Chair/Discussant, *Comparative Politics*, Ohio Association of Economists and Political Scientists Conference, Perrysburg, Ohio (September 2014).

Panel Chair/Discussant, *American Politics*, Ohio Association of Economists and Political Scientists Conference, Perrysburg, Ohio (September 2014).

Panel Chair, *Presidential Rhetoric, Party Leadership and the People* Panel, Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois (April 2013).

Discussant, *Presidential Unilateralism and the Separation of Powers* Panel, Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois (April 2012).

Panel Chair, *The Constitution, and Constitutionalism*, Ohio Association of Economists and Political Scientists Conference, Bowling Green, Ohio (October 2011).

Discussant, *Unilateral Politics* Panel, Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois (April 2009).

Discussant, *The Politics of Presidential Elections* Panel, Florida Political Science Association Conference, Orlando, Florida (April 2009).

Discussant/Panel Chair, *Democratic Leadership and Values* Panel, Florida Political Science Association Conference, Orlando, Florida (April 2009).

Participant, SWOTT: Summer Workshop on Teaching About Terrorism - An intensive week-long short course on teaching and researching about terrorism (June 2008).

Discussant, *A Cornucopia of Concerns About War* Panel, Southern Political Science Association Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana (January 2008).

Discussant, *American Political Institutions* Panel, Florida Political Science Association Conference, Miami, Florida (March 2007).

Discussant, *American Politics* Panel, Florida Political Science Association Conference, Miami, Florida (April 2006).

Panel Chair, *Trial and Appellate Litigation Strategies* Panel, Western Political Science Association Conference, Portland, Oregon (March 2004).

Technology-Based Teaching Experience:

Proficient in Blackboard, Canvas, and Moodle Learning Management Systems.

Courses Designed and Taught:

POLS 1000- American and Wyoming Government

CRMJ 2120- Introduction to Criminal Justice

POLS 130 – American National Government

POLS 443 – American Constitutional Law

POLS 444 - Constitutional Liberties

Related Training, Activities & Awards:

Canvas "Bootcamp" – One week course instruction on migrating existing course to an online modality – Division of Online and Strategic Learning, Ball State University (June 2020).

Online Teaching Certificate Course – Two week course instruction in online teaching – iLearn, Ball State University (February 2015).

Blackboard Certificate Course – Two week course on using Blackboard – iLearn, Ball State University (February 2015).

Invited Participant, McGraw-Hill GINA Government Simulation Workshop (July 2013).

UNF Summer Teaching Grant \$7,500 (2008) – Development of online American Government course.

Who is on the Other End? Student Demographics and Online Course Issues. Presentation at the Wyoming Distance Education Conference in Powell, Wyoming. Sponsored by the Wyoming Post-Secondary Education College Commission (May 2005).

Making Online Discussions Count: Strategies and Issues. Presentation at the Wyoming Distance Education Conference in Cheyenne, Wyoming. Sponsored by the Wyoming Post-Secondary College Commission (May 2004).

Northwest College Faculty Development and Morale Research Award (2004) – For development of online American & Wyoming Government course.

Grants, Awards and Honors:

Indiana Campus Compact – Electoral Engagement Grant \$1,500 (2018)

Living Learning Community Student Programs Grant \$2,060 (2017)

ASPIRE New Faculty Startup Grant \$1,173 (2009)

UNF Undergraduate Research Advisor Grant \$1,000 (2007)

Nominee for UNF Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award (2006 & 2008)

Zeta Tau Alpha Faculty Appreciation Award (2006)

Disability Friendly Faculty Award (2006)

Southern Political Science Association Artinian Travel Grant \$250 (2006)

Selected Professional and Departmental Service:

Ball State University (2009 – present)

Professional & Community

Reviewer, Oxford University Press, Routledge Press, Wiley Press, CQ Press Cognella Press, Praeger Press, Rowman & Littlefield Press

Reviewer, Journal of Public and Nonprofit Affairs, Homeland Security Review, Congress & the Presidency

Academic Advisory Board Member, ANNUAL EDITIONS: Homeland Security (2012-)

Editorial Board Member, Peter Lang's series on Studies in Law & Politics (2018 -)

Moderator, League of Women Voters – Meet the Candidates Debate (2018)

Presenter, Social Media Webinar for GameDay Recycling Program (2015)

Invited Speaker, Muncie-Delaware County League of Women Voters (January 2018)

Invited Speaker, Muncie Kiwanis (August 2018; November 2020).

Invited Speaker, Political Science Dept. Pre-Election Discussion Panel (October 2018)

Invited Speaker, Panel – "Counting the Votes & Making Your Vote Count" (2018)

Selected Professional and Departmental Service:

Ball State University (2009 – present)

University

Member, University Council on the Environment (Fall 2009, 2011)

Member, University Senate (2012-2018, 2020 -)

Member, Senate Agenda Committee (2013-2018, 2020 -)

Member, University Faculty Council (2012-2018)

Secretary (2013-2014, 2015-2016), Vice-Chair (2014-2015)

Member, University Traffic Appeals Subcommittee (2012-2017)

Member, University Council Athletics Committee (2014-2015)

Member, Summer Freshman Orientation (Advising) (2013-2017)

Member, College of Sciences & Humanities Dean's Advisory Council (2015-2018)

Member, College of Sciences & Humanities Curriculum Committee (2016-2018)

Member, Faculty Committee on Salary and Benefits (2015-2016) Secretary (2015-2016)

Member, College of Sciences & Humanities Salary Appeal Panel – Chair (June 2017)

Member, Strategic Planning Committee's Sub-Committee on Fiscal/Economic/Political Environment (Spring 2018)

Department

Member, Political Science Department Promotion & Tenure Committee (2015-2018, 2022-2023)

Member, Political Science Department Recruitment Committee (2010-2014, 2015-2016) Secretary (2011-2012, 2015-2016), Chair (2012-2013)

Member, Department of Political Science Search Committee for two Assistant Professors (2013 & 2015)

Member, Department of Political Science Search Committee for an Administrative Coordinator (2017 & 2022)

Chair, Department of Political Science Search Committee for Graduate Secretary (2018)

Member, Department of Political Science Search Committee for Assistant Professor of Legal Studies (2019 & 2021)

Member, Political Science Department Student Programs Committee (2009-2010, 2014-2015, 2022-2023); Secretary (2014-2015)

Member, Political Science Department Academic Programs Committee (2014-2015) Secretary (2014-2015)

Co-Administrator, Department Facebook Page (2010 -)

Director, Graduate Student Recruitment (Spring 2014)

Member, Master's Examination Committee: Alex Rodriguez (Summer 2018)

Member, Master's Examination Committee: Elizabeth Fowler (Summer 2015)

Member, Master's Examination Committee: Becca White (Fall 2014)

Member, Master's Thesis Committee: Herb Engman (Fall 2014)

Member, Master's Examination Committee: Katie Windlan (Spring 2014)

Chair, Master's Examination Committee: Ann Fost (Spring 2014)

Member, Master's Examination Committee: Herb Engman (Spring 2014)

Chair, Master's Examination Committee: Leslie James (Spring 2013)

Member, Master's Examination Committee: Austin Mitchell (Summer 2012)

Member, Master's Thesis Committee: Eric Vandervort (Spring 2011)

Chair, Master's Examination Committee: Eric Vandervort (Spring 2011)

Member, Master's Examination Committee: Emily Gedig (Fall 2011)

Advisor, Honors Thesis: Linn Guerrero (Spring 2011)

Selected Professional and Departmental Service:

Ball State University (2009 – present)

Department (continued)

Advisor, Senior Thesis: Matt Hinkelman (Spring 2020) **Advisor**, Honors Thesis: Kendall Carnes (Fall 2020) **Advisor**, Master's Thesis: Lexi Starost (Fall 2019)

University of North Florida (2005-2009)

Professional & Community

Member, Florida Political Science Association Executive Committee (2007-2009)

Reviewer, Oxford University Press **Reviewer,** Florida Political Chronicle

Invited Guest, CSPAN's "Booknotes" – *Presidential Power in Action* (2009)

Invited Guest, UNF's "In Context" Radio Program – Presidential Power in Action (2009)

Participant, Pre-Law Advisor's Short Course at APSA, (September 2006)

Invited Guest, Channel Four Local Morning Show, Various Supreme Court Topics

University

Member, UNF Faculty Association Committee on Campus Technology (2008-2009)

Member, American Democracy Project Steering Committee (2007-2008)

Speaker, UNF New Faculty Orientation, (Fall 2007)

Faculty Advisor, Freshman Advising and Orientation, (Summer 2007 & 2008)

Co-Author, UNF Quality Enhancement Plan Proposal, (June 2007)

Invited Speaker, UNF Pre-Law Program Luncheon, (March 2006)

Moderator/Participant, Constitution Day Debate, (2006 & 2007)

Member, UNF Faculty Association Committee on Academic Standards (2006-2008)

Member, UNF Pre-Law Society's Board of Directors (2005-2009)

Department

Member, Political Science Department Bylaws Committee (2007-2009)

Member, Master's in Public Administration Student Capstone Committees (2005-2007)

Member, Political Science Department Search Committee for an Assistant Professor of Political Science, (2006)

Member, Political Science Department Committee (2005-2009)

Member, Political Science Department Strategic Planning Committee (2005-2009)

Northwest College (2001-2005)

Member, Search Committee - Director of the Library (2005)

Moderator, Presidential Debate Watch Discussion hosted by Phi Theta Kappa (2004)

Member, University Curriculum Committee (2004-2005)

Guest Speaker, Big Horn Basin Library Conference (2004)

Member, Committee on Faculty Development and Morale (2003-2005)

Web Advisor Trainer, Computer software training for faculty (2003)

Editorial Board Member, *Writing in the Academic World* (2002-2005)

Member, Library Committee (Vice-Chair 2002-2003, Chair 2003-2004)

Related Professional Employment:

1993-1996

Intensive Probation Officer: Champaign County Court Services, Champaign, Illinois. Supervised approximately 450 convicted felons through extensive field and office contacts.

1991-1992

Probation Officer: Henry County Court Services, Cambridge, Illinois. Interacted with a variety of criminal justice personnel in policing, courts and corrections while preparing detailed pre-sentence background investigations.

Professional Memberships:

American Political Science Association Midwest Political Science Association

Professional References: Available Upon Request