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EMPLOYMENT

- **Associate Professor**, Department of Political Science, The University of Vermont, September 2008 – present.
- **Assistant Professor**, Department of Political Science, The University of Vermont, September 2002 – August 2008.
- **Assistant Professor**, Department of Political Science, The University of North Carolina at Greensboro, September 2001 – June 2002.
- **Instructor**, Department of Political Science, The University of North Carolina at Greensboro, September 1999 – August 2001.

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. 2001 The University of Georgia, Political Science.
- M.A. 1997 The University of Georgia, Political Science
- B.A. 1991 The University of Vermont, Biology and Political Science, *Cum Laude*.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Five day ICPSR Workshop on Categorical Data Analysis: Models for Binary, Ordinal, Nominal, and Count Outcomes, led by Scott Long, Chapel Hill, NC, June 2006.

PUBLICATIONS AND WORKS IN PROGRESS

(** Undergraduate student co-author.)

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

American Judicial Process and Why It Matters. 2020. *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics*. March 31. <https://oxfordre.com/politics/view/10.1093/acrefore/9780190228637.001.0001/acrefore-9780190228637-e-1776>.

Lower Federal Court Judicial Confirmation Fights: A Critical Review of the Empirical Literature and Future Research Directions. 2014. Salmon A. Shomade, Roger E. Hartley, and Lisa M. Holmes. *PS: Political Science and Politics* 47:149-164.

The Confirmation Obstacle Course: Signaling Opposition through Delay. 2012. Lisa M. Holmes, Salmon A. Shomade, and Roger E. Hartley. *The American Review of Politics* 33:23-49.

Neither Gone nor Forgotten: The Impact of Senior Status Judges on the U.S. Courts of Appeals. Lisa M. Holmes, Rorie Spill Solberg, and Susan B. Haire. 2012. *Judicature* 95:227-236.

Why “Go Public?” Presidential Use of Nominees to the U.S. Courts of Appeals. 2008. *Presidential Studies Quarterly* 38:110-122.

Outsider Participation and Influence in Judicial Confirmation Hearings, 1979-2004. 2007. *The American Review of Politics* 28:205-227.

Presidential Strategy in the Judicial Appointment Process: ‘Going Public’ in Support of Nominees to the U.S. Courts of Appeals. 2007. *American Politics Research* 35:567-594.

Court Diversification: Staffing the State Courts of Last Resort through Interim Appointments. Lisa M. Holmes and Jolly A. Emrey. 2006. *The Justice System Journal* 27:1-13.

****Judicial Appointment Politics in the 107th Congress.** Lisa Holmes and Elisha Savchak. 2003. *Judicature* 86:232-239.

The Increasing Senate Scrutiny of Lower Federal Court Nominees. Roger E. Hartley and Lisa M. Holmes. 2002. *Political Science Quarterly* 117:259-278.

Increasing Senate Scrutiny of Lower Federal Court Nominees. Roger E. Hartley and Lisa M. Holmes. 1997. *Judicature* 80:274-278.

Peer-Reviewed Edited Book Chapters

Marked for Excellence: Race, Gender, and the Treatment of Supreme Court Worthy Nominees to the U.S. Courts of Appeals 2019. In *Race, Gender, Sexuality, and the Politics of the American Judiciary*, ed. Samantha L. Hernandez and Sharon A. Navarro. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press (single authored).

Other Publications (Solicited or Non-Refereed)

Judicial Process in America, 12th edition. Forthcoming. Robert A. Carp, Kenneth L. Manning, and Lisa M. Holmes. Washington, DC: SAGE/CQ Press.

Book Review of *The President and the Supreme Court: Going Public on Judicial Decisions from Washington to Trump*, by Paul M. Collins, Jr. and Matthew Eshbaugh-Soha in *Congress & The Presidency*, forthcoming.

Judicial Process in America, 11th edition. 2020. Robert A. Carp, Kenneth L. Manning, Lisa M. Holmes, and Ronald Stidham. Washington, DC: SAGE/CQ Press.

Book Review of *Routledge Handbook of Judicial Behavior*, by Robert M. Howard and Kirk A. Randazzo (eds.) in *Law and Politics Book Review* 29:20-22. (February 2019).

Judicial Process in America, 10th edition. 2017. Robert A. Carp, Ronald Stidham, Kenneth L. Manning, and Lisa M. Holmes. Washington, DC: SAGE/CQ Press.

Religious Affiliation, Personal Beliefs, and the President’s Framing of Judicial Nominees. 2008. *Drake Law Review. Fifth Annual American Judicature Society Symposium: Federal Judicial Selection* 56:679-704.

Book Review of *Battle over the Bench: Senators, Interest Groups, and Lower Court Confirmations* by Amy Steigerwalt in *The Journal of Politics* 74:e42-43 (October 2012).

Book Review of *Advice & Dissent: The Struggle to Shape the Federal Judiciary* by Sarah A. Binder and Forrest Maltzman in *Political Science Quarterly* 125:722-724 (Winter 2010-2011).

Book Review of *Justice Takes a Recess* by Scott E. Graves and Robert M. Howard in *The Law and Politics Book Review* 20:42-45 (January 2010).

Book Review of *The President Shall Nominate: How Congress Trumps Executive Power* by Mitchel A. Sollenberger in *The Review of Politics* 71:518-521 (2009).

Book Review of *Civil Liberties and the Constitution, 8th ed.* by Lucius J. Barker, Twiley W. Barker, Michael W. Combs, Kevin L. Lyles, and H.W. Perry Jr. in *Law & Politics Book Review* (Special Issue on Constitutional Law Casebooks) 15(8):657-659 (2005).

Works in Progress

Revisiting Judicial Departures in a Politicized Era, paper is being revised for submission to a peer-reviewed journal in Fall 2021.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

College of Arts and Sciences Small Research Grant Award, The University of Vermont, 2015, \$3000.

Department of Political Science FDP Pool A Fund Award, The University of Vermont, 2015, \$2000.

Dean's Fund Award, University of Vermont, 2006, \$2000.

OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Court Watch of North Carolina, Spring 2001-Fall 2002, evaluating the North Carolina Child Support Collection System.

Citizens for Independent Courts, 1999, constructing initial data set for Washington-based task force studying selection and confirmation of federal judges.

Research Assistant, Georgia Civil Justice Foundation Public Service and Research Grants (UGA School of Law) (w/ Dr. Susetta Talarico, Prof. Thomas Eaton): Summer, 1998. Identification, collection and coding of Fulton County tort litigation cases.

Research Assistant, University of Georgia Faculty Research Grant (w/ Dr. Susan Haire): Summer, 1996. Coding and entering of state supreme court product liability cases.

Research Assistant, University of Georgia (w/ Dr. Del Dunn and Dr. Eugene Miller): Fall, 1993 - Spring, 1994. Worked on annotated bibliography, literature summation, editing.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Judicial Appointments as Political Capital. Presented at the American Judicature Society forum on the role of the legislative and executive branches in federal judicial selection. Des Moines, IA. October 24-25, 2003.

RECENT CONFERENCE PAPERS

(** Undergraduate student co-author.)

“Now Would Be a Good Time:” The Nuclear Option, the Trump Presidency, and Judicial Departures.

Presented at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the New England Political Science Association. April 23-24. Via Zoom.

Revisiting Judicial Departures in the Trump Presidency. Presented at the 2020 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico. January 9-11. Streaming Conference.

****Making Order out of Chaos: President Trump’s First Year Judicial Nominees.** Lisa M. Holmes and Mia S. Monserrate. In preparation for presentation at the 2018 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL April 5-8.

Are We Appointing a Diverse Judiciary of the Nation’s Very Best Lawyers? Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, Sept. 1-4, 2016.

What a Politicized Appointment Process Means for Judges and Potential Nominees. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 7-10, 2016.

The Perils of a Politicized Judicial Appointment Process: Home State Media Coverage of Court of Appeals Nominees. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Diego, March 24-26, 2016

Politicized Appointment Politics: A View from the Bench. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico, January 7-9, 2016.

“Going Nuclear” over Appointments: The Causes and Consequences of Filibuster Reform. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August 28-31, 2014.

“Going Nuclear” over Judges: The Causes and Consequences of Filibuster Reform. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the New England Political Science Association, Woodstock, VT, April 25-26, 2014.

Moving from the Private Sector to the Federal Bench. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Orlando, FL, January 3-5, 2013.

The Composition of the Federal Bench: Nominating and Confirming Judges from the Private Sector. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA, Aug. 30-Sept. 2, 2012.

Lower Federal Court Judicial Confirmation Fights: A Critical Review of the Empirical Literature and Future Research Directions. with Salmon A. Shomade and Roger E. Hartley. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA, Aug. 30-Sept. 2, 2012.

NOMINATIONS AND AWARDS

General

Nominated, 2008 Alumni Spotlight, The University of Georgia Graduate School.

Nominated, 2006-2007 Dean’s Lecture Award, The University of Vermont.

Teaching Awards and Honors

Honorary Member, Iota Iota chapter of Rho Lambda in recognition of leadership and service to women at UVM (Fall 2014).

Recipient, 2012 Kroepsch-Maurice Excellence in Teaching Award – Associate Professor Category.

Nominated, 2005 Kroepsch-Maurice Excellence in Teaching Award – Assistant Professor Category.

Nominated, University of Vermont Outstanding Advisor Award. Spring 2005.

Recipient, The University of Georgia Outstanding Graduate Teaching Award. May 1998.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Courses Taught

The American Political System (regular and honors)
Constitutional Law: Civil Liberties
Constitutional Law: Governmental Powers
Gender and Law
Introduction to Law
Law and Politics
Social Science Research Design
Topics in Law: The Supreme Court in the American Political System
Women and the Law

Recent Independent Studies:

Judicial Appointment Politics (Spring 2020)
Gender and Law (Fall 2018)
Making Order out of Chaos: Trump's First Year Judicial Nominees (Spring 2018)
GSWS: Work Programs in a Women's Prison (Spring 2015)
The Evolution of Effective Counsel in Death Penalty cases (Fall 2012)

Recent Honors Theses:

Nika Nikolaidis, "The Legacy of *Batson v. Kentucky*: Race Jury Selection, and Justice (Honors College, Fall 2019 – present)
Katie Alexander, "Paid Family Leave in the United States: Past Hindrances and Future Feasibility in Vermont" (Honors College, Fall 2014-Spring 2015)
Elizabeth Cantrell, "The Unconstitutionality of Different Standards of Death: Arbitrariness in States' Capital Punishment Laws" (Honors College, Spring 2012 – Spring 2013)
Allison Lehrer, "Diversity on the Bench: The Appointment of Women to the Federal Courts" (Honor College, AY 2010-2011)
- Thesis awarded the 2011 Wertheimer Prize for best thesis in the Political Science Department
- Thesis named as a runner up for the 2011 Pi Sigma Alpha National Best Honor Thesis Award.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Recent Professional Service

Manuscript/Proposal Reviewer, *American Journal of Political Science*; *American Political Science Review*; *American Politics Quarterly*; *American Politics Research*; *American Review of Politics*; *Cambridge University Press*; *Congress & the Presidency*; *Journal of Law & Courts*; *The Journal of Political Science*; *The Journal of Politics*; *Journal of Women*; *Journal of Women, Politics & Policy*; *Judicature*; *The Justice System Journal*; *Law & Society Review*; *Legislative Studies Quarterly*; *The National Science Foundation*; *Political Research Quarterly*; *Politics & Policy*; *Polity*; *Politics & Gender*; *Presidential Studies Quarterly*.

Member, Editorial Board, *Justice System Journal*. Spring 2010 – present.

Member, 2021 Best Graduate Student Paper, Law and Courts Section of the American Political Science Association.

Member, 2020 Lasting Contributions Award, Law and Courts Section of the American Political Science Association.

Member, 2019 Best Article Award Committee, Law and Courts Section of the American Political Science Association.

Member, 2015 Teaching and Mentoring Award Committee, Law and Courts Section of the American Political Science Association.

Member, 2013 Ad Hoc Committee on Awards, Law and Courts Organized Section of the American Political Science Association.

Treasurer, Law and Courts Organized Section of the American Political Science Association. Aug. 2010 – Aug. 2012.

Member, 2008 Teaching and Mentoring Award Committee, for the Law and Courts Section of the American Political Science Association.

Member, 2005 C. Herman Pritchett Award Committee, for the best book on law and courts for the Law and Courts Section of the American Political Science Association.

Member, Editorial Board, *Law and Courts*, Newsletter of the Law and Courts Section of the American Political Science Association. Fall 2007 – Fall 2010.

Co-Chair, Judicial Politics Section, 2021 Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association.

Critic, “Authors Meet Critics Panel on Collins and Eshbaugh-Soha’s *The President & The Supreme Court*, 2020 Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Sept. 11, 2020.

Chair/Discussant, “Taking the Law Seriously,” *Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association*, San Juan, PR, Jan. 9-11, 2020.

Discussant, “Gender and the U.S. Supreme Court,” *Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, March 6-9, 2017.

Discussant, “Gendered Leadership in Congress and on Courts,” *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*, Philadelphia, September 1-4, 2016.

Discussant, “Horizontal and Vertical Institutional Relations on Courts,” *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*, Philadelphia, September 1-4, 2016.

Roundtable Participant, “The U.S. District Court Database: Using a Major New Data Resource” at the 2016 Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 7-10.

Discussant, “Panel Dynamics,” *Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, April 7-10, 2016.

Discussant, “Diversity, Representation, and the Courts,” *Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association*, San Diego, March 24 – 26, 2016.

Chair/Discussant, “Decision-Making in Lower Federal Courts,” *Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association*, San Juan, Jan. 7-9, 2016.

Chair/Discussant, “Cross-National Judicial Politics.” *Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, April 16-19, 2015.

Chair/Discussant, “Courts and Public Opinion.” *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*, August 28-31, 2014.

Discussant, “Judicial Independence and Legitimacy.” *Annual Meeting of the New England Political Science Association*, April 25-26, 2014.

Discussant, “Issues in Federal Judicial Selection.” *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*, Chicago, IL, Aug. 29-Sept. 1, 2013.

Chair/Discussant, “Litigants and the Law in Judicial Behavior.” *Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association*, Orlando FL, January 3 – 6, 2013.

Recent Department Service, The University of Vermont

Member, Chair’s Advisory Committee (Fall 2016 – present; Fall 2013 – Spring 2015).

Director, POLS Pre-Law Program (2017 – present).

Organized 2018 Lyman J. Gould Lecture, Jeffrey Segal (Stony Brook University)

Organized 2018 Florence Davis Dean Lecture, Gary King (Harvard University)

Member, Ad Hoc Committee on IR Subfield Hiring Opportunities. (Spring 2017).

Member, Department Ad Hoc Committee on RPT Guidelines/Procedures Documents (Fall 2014 – Spring 2015).

Member, Department Ad Hoc Committee on Internships (Fall 2014).

Member, Chair Search Committee, Department of Political Science (Spring 2013).

Organized 2012 Florence Davis Dean Lecture, James Gibson (Washington University)

Pre-Law Advising, 2002-present.

Recent College and University Service, The University of Vermont

Co-Facilitator, UVM Faculty Women’s Caucus (August 2019 – present; Steering Committee Member, 2011 – 2017)

Faculty Adviser, UVM Student Legal Services Program (August 2018 – present)

Member, Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies Program Steering Committee (Fall 2016 – present; 2002-2014)

Participant, UVM Graduate Teaching Program (Nov. 2013 – present)

Member, CAS Faculty Standards Committee (Fall 2016 – Spring 2020)

Moderator, Q&A for David Sanger’s presentation on “The Perfect Weapon: War, Sabotage and Fear in the Cyber Age,” UVM/Vermont Humanities Council First Wednesdays Lecture Series (October 17, 2018)

Panelist, “Political Forecasting: 2018 Midterm Elections” for the 2018 Meeting of the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities, Council on Governmental Affairs, Burlington, VT (July 31, 2018)

Participant, Panel on “Our Future in the Trump Administration,” UVM March Professors-at-Large Program (Jan. 30, 2017)

Director, UVM Faculty Mentoring Program (August 2012 – August 2015)

Chair, Sociology Department Chair Search Committee (Fall 2014)

Member, President’s Commission on the Status of Women (Sept. 2012 – May 2014)

Member, CAS Strategic Planning Committee on Climate and Diversity (Fall 2013 – Spring 2014)

Subcommittee Chair, Organizing Committee for UVM Women’s Summit (Fall 2013)

Co-Chair, Organizing Committee for the Michael Kimmel visit to UVM (Fall 2012 – Spring 2013)

Member, Professional Standards Committee (Fall 2012 semester only)

Moderator, Panel on “What Other Countries are Doing,” New Feminist Agenda Conference at the University of Vermont (March 31, 2012)

Member, Organizing Committee for the conference on The New Feminist Agenda: The Next Revolution for Women, Work and Family (Fall 2011 – Spring 2012)

Recent Community/Media

Recent Off Campus Presentations:

“**The Judiciary in American Politics in 2019.**” Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Rutland, <https://learn.uvm.edu/program/osher-life-long-learning/olli-statewide/rutland/>, October 11, 2019.

Panelist, “**The National Popular Vote Compact.**” New North End NPA meeting, Burlington, September 25, 2019.

“**The 2020 Elections.**” Food for Thought Pot Luck Lecture Series, Jericho, VT, September 24, 2019.

“**The U.S. Supreme Court in a Time of Political Chaos.**” Education & Enrichment for Everyone Lecture Series, South Burlington, VT, <https://www.cctv.org/watch-tv/programs/us-supreme-court-time-political-chaos>, Sept. 13, 2019.

Panelist, “**Constitutional Crisis? The Powers of the Presidency.**” League of Women Voters and Kellogg-Hubbard Library in Montpelier speaker series, January 22, 2019.

Recent Media Appearances:

VPR’s *Vermont Edition* interview (Oct. 5, 2020)

Washington Post Podcast “Can He Do That” (Sept. 24, 2020)

VPR’s *Vermont Edition* interview (June 23, 2020)

VPR’s *Vermont Edition* interview (Oct. 7, 2018)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Political Science Association, Member.

American Judicature Society, Member.

Law and Courts Section, American Political Science Association, Member.

Midwest Political Science Association, Member.

Southern Political Science Association, Member.

REFERENCES

Available Upon Request.