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### **ACADEMIC/PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS**

- Tufts University, Assistant Professor (tenure-track), 2005-present
- North Carolina State University, Assistant Professor (tenure-track), 2001-2005
- American Enterprise Institute – *Civitas* Fellow in Religion and Public Life, 2003-2004
- Claremont McKenna College, Visiting Assistant Professor—D.C. Program, 2003-2004
- Pomona College, Lecturer in Politics and Critical Inquiry, 1998-2001
- California State University, San Bernardino, Visiting Instructor, 1996-1998

### **EDUCATION**

- Claremont Graduate School, Ph.D. Political Science, 2001  
Major Fields: American Politics and Political Philosophy  
Dissertation: *Religious Liberty and American Constitutionalism: John Locke, the American Founders, and the Free Exercise Clause*
- Boston College, MA. Political Science, 1995  
Concentrations: American Politics and Political Philosophy  
Degree awarded with honors
- Claremont McKenna College, BA. Economics and Government, *Magna Cum Laude*, 1993  
Honors thesis: Aquinas' Theory of Natural Law

### **RESEARCH AREAS**

Church-State Jurisprudence  
The American Founding  
Early Modern Political Thought

### **TEACHING FIELDS**

American Political Thought  
Classical/Modern Political Thought  
Constitutional Law/Jurisprudence  
American Presidency/Executive Power

### **MANUSCRIPT IN PREPARATION**

- *Religious Liberty, the American Founders, and the Separation of Church and State*  
Book length manuscript, which I intend to complete by August 2007

### **FORTHCOMING PUBLICATION**

- “Religion in the Life, Political Thought, and Presidency of James Madison”  
Chapter to be published in *Religion and the Presidency*, ed. Mark Rozell, Palgrave/McMillan.  
Spring 2007

### **JOURNAL ARTICLES**

- “The Original Meaning of the Establishment Clause and the Impossibility of its Incorporation”  
*University of Pennsylvania Journal of Constitutional Law*, v. 8, no. 4, August 2006
- “Thou Shall Not Post the Ten Commandments? McCreary, Van Orden, and the Future of Religious Display Jurisprudence”  
*Texas Review of Law And Politics*, v. 10, no. 2, Spring 2006
- “James Madison’s Principle of Religious Liberty”  
*American Political Science Review*, v. 97, no. 1, February 2003
- “George Washington and Religious Liberty”  
*The Review of Politics*, v. 65, no. 1, Winter 2003
- “Religious Liberty and The American Founding”  
*The Intercollegiate Review*, v. 38, no. 2, Spring/Summer 2003.

### **BOOK CHAPTERS**

- “Religion and the Common Good: George Washington on Church and State”  
In *The Founders on God and Government*, eds. Daniel Dreisbach, Mark Hall, and Jeffry Morrison. Rowman & Littlefield. 2004. (Revised version of “George Washington and Religious Liberty,” originally published in *The Review of Politics*)

### **ESSAYS**

- “Current Separation of Church and State Doctrine: Suppressing Public Displays of Faith”  
In *You Decide! 2006: Current Debates in American Politics*, ed. John T. Rourke.  
Pearson/Longman, 2006
- Review essay of *On Two Wings: Humble Faith and Common Sense at the American Founding* by Michael Novak and *The Founding Fathers and the Place of Religion in America* by Frank Lambert. *Interpretation: A Journal of Political Philosophy*, v. 31, no.1 Winter 2004-05
- “Saving the Pledge” *First Things*, no. 149, January 2005
- “Establishing Free Exercise”  
*First Things*, no. 138, December 2003
- “A Wall of Separation?” *Claremont Review of Books*, Spring 2001  
Review essay of *Religion and Political Culture in Jefferson’s Virginia*, ed. G.W. Sheldon and D.L. Dreisbach, and *Religion and the New Republic*, ed. James H. Hutson

### **BOOK REVIEWS & OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

- “One Nation, Under God?” *Claremont Review of Books*, v.5, no. 3, Summer 2005  
Review essay discussing *To the Flag: The Unlikely History of the Pledge of Allegiance*, by Richard Ellis
- “Here Comes the Grooms?” *The American Enterprise*, September 2004  
Review of *Gay Marriage: Why it is Good for Gays, Good for Straights, and Good for America* by Jonathan Rauch
- “A Postmodernist’s Prayer” *Claremont Review of Books*, Spring 2003  
Review of *Getting Over Equality: A Critical Diagnosis of Religious Freedom in America* by Steven D. Smith
- Review of *Farewell to Christendom: The Future of Church and State in America* by Thomas J. Curry. *Perspectives on Political Science*, Winter 2003
- Review of *The American Myth of Religious Freedom* by Kenneth R. Craycraft  
*Perspectives on Political Science*, Winter 2001
- “George Washington”  
In *Encyclopedia of American Religion and Politics*, eds. Paul A. Djupe and Laura R. Olson.  
New York: Facts on File, 2003
- “Debating Free Exercise: Response to Critics,” *First Things*, no. 142, April 2003

### **POLITICAL JOURNALISM**

- “Holy Rights: Church and State and the Bush Justices” *National Review Online*, 14 September 2005
- “The O’Connor Test: Farewell to Her Jurisprudence?” *National Review Online*, 6 July 2005
- “He Still Can’t Believe It,” *Wall Street Journal*, 14 January 2005
- “Still ‘Under God’? The Pledge of Allegiance Is Still in Danger” *National Review Online*, 17 June 2004
- “Doing Newdow Justice: The Case for Consistency” *National Review Online*, 9 June 2004
- “Under McDermott: A Congressman’s Ill-Advised and Ill-formed Pledge Stunt” *National Review Online*, 29 April 2004
- “Constitutionalizing Religious Discrimination” *National Catholic Register*, 21-27 March 2004
- “Judging Newdow” *National Review Online*, 24 March 2004
- “The Law’s Real Bedrock” *Raleigh News and Observer*, 28 January 2004
- “Endorsing Religion? It’s OK” *Raleigh News and Observer*, 9 July 2002
- “Religion and the Myth of the ‘Endorsement’ Test” [www.Claremont.org](http://www.Claremont.org), 3 July 2002
- “Say ‘Merry Christmas’: Religion-Neutral Has Gone Overboard” *The Washington Times*, 25 December 2001
- “The Foundations of a Moral Country” [www.IntellectualCapital.com](http://www.IntellectualCapital.com), 11 July 2000
- “Court Delivers Another Blow to Religious Liberty” [www.Claremont.org](http://www.Claremont.org), June 2000

- “Bible Week: The Media’s Idea of a Public Menace” [www.discovery.org](http://www.discovery.org), January 1999
- “Tougher Grading System May Mean Weak Standards” *The Seattle Times*, 19 September 1997
- “No National Referenda, Please” *The Washington Times*, 11 June 1995

### **GOVERNMENT TESTIMONY**

- Senate Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Property Rights Hearing on “Beyond the Pledge of Allegiance: Hostility to Religious Expression in the Public Square,” 8 June 2004

### **CONFERENCE PAPERS**

- “Jefferson’s Anticlericalism and His Wall of Separation Between Church and State”  
“The American Experiment: Religious Freedom” Conference at the University of Portland  
Garaventa Center, Portland, OR, April 2007
- “Thou Shall Not Articulate Clear Principles: Religion and the 2004-05 Supreme Court”  
2005 American Political Science Association Meeting, Washington, DC
- “Religion in the Life, Thought, and Presidency of James Madison”  
“Religion and the Presidency” Conference at the Hauenstein Center for Presidential Studies,  
Grand Valley State University, Grand Rapids, MI, November 2004
- “Rethinking the Original Meaning of the Establishment Clause”  
2004 American Political Science Association Meeting, Chicago, IL
- “Rethinking the Foundations of Religious Freedom”  
2002 American Political Science Association Meeting, Boston, MA
- “Is Religion Good For Republican Government? The Madison-Washington Dispute on the  
Political Utility of Religion”  
2002 American Political Science Association Meeting, Boston, MA
- “George Washington and Religious Liberty”  
“Religion and Politics in the Modern World.” Conference sponsored by The Pew Charitable  
Trust. June 2002, Potomac, Maryland
- “James Madison’s Principle of Religious Liberty”  
2001 American Political Science Association Meeting, San Francisco, CA
- “The Political Theology of Plato’s *Laws*”  
2001 American Political Science Association Meeting, San Francisco, CA
- “The Relevance and Irrelevance of ‘Original Intent’ for Establishment Clause Jurisprudence”  
2000 American Political Science Association Meeting, Washington D.C.
- “Montesquieu’s Critique of Classical Republicanism and His Modern Republican Solution: An  
Analysis of Judicial Power in *The Spirit of The Laws*”  
1999 Western Political Science Meeting, Seattle, WA.
- “The Problem of Belief Formation in Locke’s *A Letter Concerning Toleration*”  
“Liberty and Society,” George Mason University. July 1998. Fairfax, VA

### **INVITED LECTURES**

- “Jefferson’s Idea of Religious Liberty,” Furman University, January 2007
- “How and Why Ought We Separate Church from State,” Arizona State University, October 2006
- “Religious Freedom and the Pledge of Allegiance,” Debate with Michael Newdow, Boston College, October 2006
- “Church and State in the Free Society,” Ethics & Public Policy Center, Alexandria, VA, February 2006
- “Handicapping the Alito Nomination,” Federalist Society/Discovery Institute, Seattle, WA, December 2005
- “The New Supreme Court Appointment, the Ten Commandments, and the Future of Church-State Jurisprudence,” Boise State University, Boise, ID, August 2005
- “Under God? The First Amendment & the American Founding,” Saint Vincent’s College, Latrobe, PA, October 2004
- “A Wall of Separation? Religious Freedom and the American Constitution,” The Moody Church, Chicago, IL, October 2004
- “The First Amendment, The Founding, and Religious Freedom,” Sponsored by The National Endowment for the Humanities, Ashland University, August 2004
- “Constitutionalism and the Free Society” – Four lectures delivered at the 2004 *Tertio Millenio* Seminar – Krakow, Poland, 29 June – 7 July 2004
- “For Better or For Worse? The Gay Marriage Constitutional Amendment Proposals,” New York State Conservative Party, New York, 11 May 2004
- “Gay Marriage and The Constitution,” Panel Discussion with Andrew Sullivan, Congressman Bob Barr, & Matthew Spalding, America’s Future Foundation, Washington, DC, April 2004
- “Religion and the American Founders,” University of Virginia, April 2004
- “May Our Children Say ‘Under God’ in Our Public Schools?” Public debate against Michael Newdow, University of Maryland, March 2004
- “‘One Nation Under God’: Is the Pledge of Allegiance Unconstitutional?” The American Enterprise Institute, Washington, DC, February 2004
- “Is America A Christian Nation?” John Courtney Murray Lecture, The American Enterprise Institute, Washington, DC, January 2004
- “Church-State Controversies: The 2003-2004 Supreme Court,” Discovery Institute, Seattle, WA, December 2003
- “Madison v. Washington: The Founders’ Debate Over the Political Utility Religion,” Regent University, Norfolk, VA, February 2003

### **CONFERENCE/COLLOQUIUM PARTICIPATION**

- “Liberty and Popular Government Under State Constitutions,” Liberty Fund, Tampa, FL, January 2007
- “The Idea of Freedom in American Political Thought,” University of Colorado, Boulder, August 2006

- Conference Director, “James Madison on Liberty,” Liberty Fund, San Diego, CA, January 2006
- “Liberty and Responsibility in the Anti-Federal Writings of Melancton Smith,” Liberty Fund, St. Paul, MN, August, 2005
- “Program on Politics and Economics,” George Mason Law School, June 2005
- “Liberty and Popular Government Under United States Constitutions,” Liberty Fund, Philadelphia, PA, February, 2005
- Conference Director, “Religious Liberty & American Constitutionalism,” Liberty Fund, Tucson, AZ, December 2004
- “Teaching America’s Founding Principles in Higher Education,” University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, September 2004
- “Liberty and Responsibility in Sixteenth-Century Continental Humanism,” Liberty Fund, Minneapolis, MN, August 2004
- “Thomas Jefferson and the Meaning of Liberty,” Liberty Fund, Charlottesville, VA, June 2004
- “Liberty and Toleration in the Writings of William Penn,” Liberty Fund, Santa Fe, NM, March 2004
- “Culture and the New Biology,” Liberty Fund, Tucson, AZ, January 2004
- Panel Discussant, “Who Put the ‘Science’ in Political Science? The Origins of Political Science in Progressivism,” 2003 American Political Science Association Meeting, Philadelphia, PA
- “American Constitutionalism in Comparative Perspective,” National Endowment for the Humanities, South Bend, IN, July-August 2003
- “Morality, Biology and Human Will,” Liberty Fund, Key West, FL, July 2003
- “The Founding of the Republic and the Challenge of Understanding Its Principles,” Liberty Fund, Charleston, SC, March 2003
- “Constitutional Liberties During Times of Crisis,” Institute for Humane Studies, Arlington, VA, February 2002
- “Excellence and Modern Liberty,” Liberty Fund, Palm Springs, CA, January 2002
- “John Locke and Liberty,” Liberty Fund, Big Sky, MT, August 2001
- “Religion and Public Life,” *Civitas* Program on Faith and Public Affairs, Washington, DC, July-August 2001
- Panel Chair, “Democracy in California: Sesquicentennial Reflections of Equality and Liberty,” Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, CA, October, 2000
- “Religious Liberty and American Constitutionalism,” Liberty Fund, Vancouver, Canada, August 2000
- “Criminal Justice, Philosophy, and Punishment,” Claremont McKenna College, Big Bear, CA, June 1998
- “Richard Dawson & Liberty,” Liberty Fund, Santa Monica, CA, November 1997
- “Richard Weaver & Liberty,” Liberty Fund, Tucson, AZ, February 1995

### **MEDIA APPEARANCES**

- Radio Interview, “Faith in America: Religion and Politics,” Voice of America, 16 March 2007
- Radio Interview, “Church and State: Where is the Line of Separation,” Voice of America, February 2006 7
- Television Documentary, “Religion in America,” Fox News Channel, 25 December 2005
- Radio Interview, “John Roberts and Church & State,” 97.1 Talk, St. Louis, 14 September 2005
- Radio Interview, “God at the Inauguration?” KFTK St. Louis, 19 January 2005
- Newspaper Interview, “Sparks Fly Over Place of Religion at Inauguration,” Religion News Service, 15 January 2005
- Televised lecture, CSPAN, “James Madison and Religion,” Hauenstein Center for Presidential Studies, Grand Rapids, MI, aired 25 November 2004, taped 18 November 2004
- Newspaper Interview, “Now That They Have Won, What Will They Do? Judicial Choices” *Raleigh News and Observer*, 7 November 2004
- Television Interview, “The Pledge Protection Act,” News 14 Carolina, 24 September 2004
- Radio Interview, “The 2004 Election and the Supreme Court,” North Carolina News Network, 21 October 2004
- Radio Interview, “‘The Conversation’ with Ross Reynolds,” National Public Radio-Seattle, 15 June 2004
- Radio Interview, *The Crane Durham Show*, “The Newdow Decision,” 14 June 2004
- Radio Interview, *The Crane Durham Show*, “Is the Pledge Unconstitutional?” 9 June 2004
- Televised testimony, CSPAN, Senate Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Property Rights Hearing on “Beyond the Pledge of Allegiance: Hostility to Religious Expression in the Public Square,” 8 June 2004
- Radio Interview, “Kerry and the Catholic Vote,” National Public Radio, 30 April 2004
- Radio Interview, *The Kirby Wilbur Show*, “The Pledge and the Supreme Court,” 25 March 2004

### **ACADEMIC HONORS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND GRANTS**

- *Civitas* Fellowship, The Pew Charitable Trust, 2003-2004 (\$16,000)
- National Endowment for the Humanities, Summer Seminar Fellow, 2003 (\$3,600)
- Summer Faculty Research Grant – North Carolina State University, 2002 (\$5,000)
- *Civitas* Fellow, The Center for Public Justice, 2001 (\$3,000)
- *Tertio Millennio* Seminar Participant, Krakow Poland, 2000
- Claremont Graduate University Dissertation Grant, 2000-2001 (\$5,000)
- Humane Studies Fellowship, Institute for Humane Studies, 1999-2001 (\$6,000)
- Salvatori Fellowship for the study of the American Founding, Intercollegiate Studies Institute, 1999-2000 (\$10,000)
- Salvatori Fellow, Heritage Foundation, 1999
- Bradley Fellowship, 1997-1999 (\$27,000 + tuition)
- Summer Research Fellow, Institute for Humane Studies, 1998
- Earhart Fellowship, 1995-1997 (\$24,000 + tuition)
- John M. Olin Fellowship, 1996 (\$3,000)
- President, Pi Sigma Alpha, Claremont Graduate School, 1996-1997
- Publius Fellow, The Claremont Institute, 1995
- George Washington Fellow, Discovery Institute, 1994
- Bradley Fellowship, 1993-1995 (\$10,000 + tuition)
- Distinguished Scholar, Claremont McKenna College (6 of 6 semesters on campus) 1989-1993

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

- Manuscript Referee: *American Political Science Review*, *Review of Politics*, The AEI Press
- Grant Proposal Evaluator: National Endowment for the Humanities—We the People Landmarks of American History and Culture Program
- Course Development & Instructor, National Endowment for the Humanities—We the People Summer Institute for High School Teachers: The Separation of Church and State
- Curriculum Development, National Endowment for the Humanities, EDSITEment Project



### **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

- Tufts University: Tufts-in-Washington, Faculty Advisor (2005-07)
- Tufts University: Scholar-in-Residence (2006-07)
- Tufts University: Interviewer for Telescope Admission Program (2006)
- Tufts University Public Lectures:
  - “The Supreme Court and the Ten Commandments (2006, Alumni Lecture)
  - “Did Abraham Lincoln Really Believe All Men are Created Equal (2005 as part of the Tisch Library Forever Free Lincoln Exhibit)
  - Constitution Day Panel (2005)
- North Carolina State University: Park Faculty Scholar (2003-06)

### **COURSES TAUGHT**

- Tufts University, Assistant Professor, 2005-Present
  - Civil Liberties
  - The Meaning of America
  - Religion, the State, and the Constitution
  - Democracy, Law, and Moral Politics
- North Carolina State University, Assistant Professor, 2001-05
  - Introduction to Political Philosophy
  - Law & Justice
  - Religion, the State, and the Constitution
  - Constitutional Law: Civil Rights
- Claremont McKenna College—DC Campus, 2003-2004
  - Law, Morality, and Public Policy
- Pomona College, Lecturer in Politics & Critical Inquiry, 1998-2001
  - The Philosophy & Politics of Liberal Arts Education
  - The American Presidency
  - Constitutional Law I: National Powers Politics
  - Constitutional Law II: The Bill of Rights Politics
- California State University, San Bernardino, Visiting Instructor of Political Science, 1996-98
  - American Political Thought
  - The Judicial Process
  - Constitutional Law: The Bill of Rights
  - Constitutional Law: Civil Rights
  - Formation of Public Policy