

Curriculum Vitae

James B. Staab

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Employment:

Professor, Department of Political Science and Geography,
Central Missouri State University, Warrensburg, MO 64093

Education:

1998. Ph.D. University of Virginia. Government & Foreign
Affairs.

1988. J.D. The T.C. Williams School of Law, University of
Richmond.

1985. B.A. *Magna cum laude*, Roanoke College, Political
Science.

Areas of Professional Interest:

Constitutional Law, Civil Rights and Liberties, Judicial
Politics, First Amendment, American Presidency, American
Political Thought, Jurisprudence, Criminal Law and Procedure

Professional Experience:

2005. Professor, Department of Political Science &
Geography, Central Missouri State University
4-4 teaching load
Pre-Law Advisor (<http://www.cmsu.edu/politicalscience>)
Courses taught: Public Law and the Judicial Process,
Constitutional Rights, American Constitutional Law,
American Government, American Presidency, First Amendment
State Government

2001-2005. Associate Professor, Department of Political
Science & Geography, Central Missouri State University

1998-2001. Assistant Professor, Department of Political
Science & Geography, Central Missouri State University

Summer 1996. Instructor
University of Virginia
Course: Civil Rights and Liberties

Spring 1993 and 1994. Teaching Assistant for David M. O'Brien, Leone Reaves and George W. Spicer Professor, Department of Government & Foreign Affairs, University of Virginia.

- *civil liberties course
- *senior teaching assistant, 1994
- *led discussion sections each week
- *drafted moot court problems and supervised oral arguments
- *taught two classes

1991-1995, 1997. Research Assistant for Henry J. Abraham, James Hart Professor Emeritus, Department of Government & Foreign Affairs, University of Virginia.

- *updated the index for *The Judicial Process*, 7th edition (1998)
- *updated bibliographical essay in *Freedom and the Court*, 6th edition (1994)
- *drafted and graded moot court problems
- *taught two classes
- *juried two journal article submissions

1996-1997. Government Services Committee, Town of Scottsville, Virginia.

- *drafted and made recommendations for a new town charter
- *reviewed and made recommendations on a revised town code

1988-89. Judicial Clerk for the Honorable Melvin R. Hughes, Jr., Richmond Circuit Court, Richmond, VA.

- *wrote bench memos on motions brought before the court
- *researched particular questions of law
- *drafted court opinions

Fall 1987. Judicial Intern with the Honorable James W. Benton, Jr., Virginia Court of Appeals, Richmond, VA.

- *wrote bench memos for oral argument
- *researched the status of a panel opinion by the Virginia Court of Appeals pending the grant of a rehearing *en banc*

Summers 1986 and 1987. Law Clerk at the law firm of Nelson, McPherson, Summers & Santos, Staunton, VA.

- *researched and wrote memos on particular legal questions
- *performed title examinations
- *drafted a legal contract

Publications:

Staab, James B. *The Political Thought of Justice Antonin Scalia: A Hamiltonian on the Supreme Court* (Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2006).

Staab, James B. "Conservative Activism on the Rehnquist Court: Federal Preemption is No Longer a Liberal Issue," *Roger Williams University Law Review* 9 (2003): 129-185.

Staab, James B. "Benjamin Nathan Cardozo: Striking a Balance Between Stability and Change," in *Leaders of the Pack: Polls and Case Studies of Great Supreme Court Justices*, William D. Pederson and Norman W. Provizer, eds. New York: Peter Lang, 2003, pp. 99-131.

Staab, James B. "'With the Stroke of a Pen': President Bush Cannot Unilaterally Establish Military Commissions," *Journal of the Institute of Justice and International Studies*, No. 3 (2003): 53-69.

Staab, James B. Research Note: "Conservative Activism on the Rehnquist Court: Federal Preemption is No Longer a Liberal Cause," *Federalism Report* 26, Nos. 3-4 (Summer/Fall 2003): 2-3.

Staab, James B. "Missourians Have a Chance to Change Constitution," *Kansas City Star*, November 2, 2002.

Staab, James B. "The Tenth Amendment and Justice Scalia's 'Split Personality,'" *Journal of Law & Politics* 16 (2000): 231-379.

Bader, William D., Henry J. Abraham, and James B. Staab, "The Jurisprudence of Levi Woodbury," *Vermont Law Review* 18 (1994): 261-312.

Conference Presentations:

"Justice Scalia and the Presidency: 'Energy in the Executive is a Leading Character in the Definition of Good Government.'" Paper presented at the 2005 Faculty Research Days, Central Missouri State University, March 15, 2005.

"President Bush's Military Commissions Don't Have a Constitutional Leg to Stand On." Presented at the Counter-Terrorism & Civil Liberties Conference, Central Missouri State University, March 18-20th, 2003.

"Federal Preemption: No Longer a Liberal Issue." Presented at the 2002 Southern Political Science Association Meeting, Savannah GA.

"Justice Scalia and the Presidency: `Energy in the Executive is a Leading Character in the Definition of Good Government.'" Paper presented at the 2000 Southern Political Science Association Meeting, Atlanta GA.

"Justice Scalia's Separation of Powers Jurisprudence: In Search of a Strong Executive." Paper presented at the 1999 Southern Political Science Association Meeting, Savannah GA.

"The Tenth Amendment and Justice Scalia's `Split Personality.'" Paper presented at the 1998 American Political Science Association Meeting, Boston MA.

"The Conservatism of Justice Antonin Scalia: Judicial Statesmanship and Hamiltonian Political Principles." Paper presented at the 1995 Southern Political Science Association Meeting, Tampa FL.

Additional Professional Training

Pre-law Advising Short Course
1995 American Political Science Association Meeting,
Chicago, ILL

Professional Associations:

American Political Science Association
Law and Courts Section
Member of the Virginia Bar (1988-1998)
Member of the District of Columbia Bar (1989-1998)
American Bar Association
Journal of Law and Politics, Senior Editor (1992-1998)

Honors and Awards:

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 2006 Humanitarian Award.
Presented by CMSU and the Warrensburg Chamber of Commerce

Faculty Research Days Award, Disciplinary-Based Research,
CMSU (2005)

Teacher Appreciation Award from Alpha Phi Sorority, CMSU
(2004)

Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 8th Edition (2004)

CMSU's Campus Activities Board's "Last Lecture Award" (Fall 2003)(voted "favorite" university professor by student body)

Teacher Appreciation Award from Sigma, Sigma, Sigma
Sorority, CMSU (2002)

High Pass on Constitutional Law and Theory Sub-field
 American Jurisprudence Award in Virginia Procedure, 1987
 Who's Who Among American Law Students, 1987
 Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and
 Colleges, 1984-85
 Pi Sigma Alpha, President, 1984-85
 Pi Gamma Mu, President, 1984-85; Blue Key, Secretary, 1984-
 85; Student Government Leadership Award (1985); Alpha Chi
 (1985); Junior Scholar (1984); Phi Society (1983)

Fellowships and Grants:

2004. Faculty Senate Professional Development Assistance Grant. Value: \$600.00. Conducted Research in the Harry A. Blackmun Papers, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

2004. Speaker Series Grant. Value: \$1,000.00. Center for Teaching and Learning, CMSU. Helped pay costs for Jen Chapin Concert, April 6, 2004.

2003. Resource Materials. Value: \$357.99. Professional Enhancement Office, Central Missouri State University.

2002. Travel Grant. Value: \$600.00. Professional Enhancement Office, Central Missouri State University. Presented a paper at Southern Political Science Association Meeting in Savannah, GA.

Fall 2002. Faculty Senate Professional Development Assistance Grant, Central Missouri State University. Value: \$600.00. Purchase of video tapes.

June 2001. Congressional Quarterly Honorarium for Review of Paul Light's, *A Delicate Balance*. Value: \$250.00.

Summer 2001. CMSU Mini-Grant. Value: \$500.00

2000. Travel Grant. Value: \$600.00. Professional Enhancement Office, Central Missouri State University. Paper presentation at the Southern Political Science Association Meeting in Atlanta, GA.

1999. Greer-Oppenheimer Grant. Value: \$300.00. Defrayed costs associated with the visit by Dr. Henry J. Abraham to CMSU from March 8-10, 2000.

1999. Travel Grant. Value: \$600.00. Professional Enhancement Office, Central Missouri State University. Presented a paper at Southern Political Science Association Meeting in Savannah, GA.

1998. Travel Grant. Value: \$500.00. Professional Enhancement Office, Central Missouri State University. Presented a paper at the American Political Science Association Meeting in Boston, MA.

1996-97. Bradley Foundation. Value: \$1000.00. Graduate Student Grant. University of Virginia.

1995-96. Bradley Foundation. Value: \$6,000.00. Dissertation Grant. University of Virginia.

1995-96. Dupont Scholarship. Value: \$400.00. Travel Grant. University of Virginia. Presented paper at the Southern Political Science Association Meeting in Tampa, FL.

1994-95. Bradley Foundation. Value: \$7,000.00. Graduate Student Award. University of Virginia.

1993-94. Bradley/Government Department Awards. Value: \$9,500.00. Graduate Student Award, plus T.A. and R.A. responsibilities. University of Virginia.

1992-93. Bradley/Government Department Awards. Value: \$10,300.00. Graduate Student Award, plus T.A. and R.A. responsibilities. University of Virginia.

1991-92. Bradley Foundation. Value \$5,200.00. Graduate Student Award. University of Virginia.

1985. The Carlton H. Kiser Political Science Prize.

1985. The Reverend Doctor John E. Bushnell Prize for Leadership & Service to the College Community.

1984. The Jeffrey C. Bergeson Scholarship for Leadership.

Service, Governance, Committees:

University:

2005-06. Co-chair for the CMSU Name Change Task Force
 2005-07. Faculty Senator
 2005-07. Member of the Faculty Senate Executive Council
 2005-06. Faculty Senate Representative on the
 Strategic Planning and Resource Council
 2000-03. Faculty Senate Parliamentarian
 Summer 1999. Lawyer Representative for Ad-hoc Committee on
 the *Muleskinner* (student newspaper).

Department:

2005-06. Political Science Coordinator.
 2003-05. Academic Affairs Committee.
 2003-04. Chair, Search Committee, International Relations.
 2003-04. Search Committee, Comparative Politics.
 2002-03. Search Committee, Comparative Politics.
 2002-03. Administrative Affairs Committee.
 Fall 2001. Chair, Ad Hoc Budget Committee.
 1998-99. Search Committee, International Relations.

Sponsorship of University Societies:

1998-present. Co-Advisor to Student Pre-Law Association.
 1998-present. Assistant coach for the University-Wide Mock Trial Team.

University Sponsored Programs:

September 16, 2005. Panelist. "Checks and Balances in the Constitution: A Closer Look at American Government."
 Sponsored by the American Democracy Project in celebration of Constitution Day.

April 6-7, 2004. At my invitation, Jen Chapin, singer-songwriter and chairperson of World Hunger Year, came to campus to perform a concert and to give two guest lectures.

March 18, 2004. Spoke on the subject of Military Commissions to the Johnson County Democrats.

March 6, 2004. Spoke on the importance of the right to vote before the theater performance of the Vagina Monologues.

February 4, 2004. Guest Lecture. "Religion and the Constitution," in Dr. Brian Brost's Special Topics course in Philosophy.

October 30, 2003. Last Lecture. "Bills of Rights."
 Sponsored by Campus Activities Board, CMSU Union Atrium.

April 9, 2003. Panelist. "Justice Denied: A Presentation on the Death Penalty." Politics and Social Justice Week.
 CMSU Ballroom.

March 19, 2003. At my invitation, Nadine Strossen, President of the American Civil Liberties Union, came to campus to address the Counter-terrorism and Civil Liberties Conference. The title of her address was "Preserving Safety and Freedom Post 9/11."

March 18, 2003. At my invitation, Dr. David M. O'Brien, Leone Reaves and George W. Spicer Professor at the University of Virginia, came to campus to address the Counter-terrorism and Civil Liberties Conference. The title of his address was "Reflections on Courts and Civil Liberties in Times of Crisis."

February 27, 2003. Panelist. "A Panel Discussion on Affirmative Action." Sponsored by the Dead Philosophers Society, CMSU.

April 3, 2002. Panelist. "Know Your Rights" Forum. Sponsored by the Political Science Students Association. Politics and Social Justice Week, CMSU.

March 6, 2002. Moderator for the Address by Judy Shepard, "The Legacy of Matthew Shepard." CMSU Union Ballroom.

December 5, 2001. Panelist, "America Strikes Back: What Do We Stand to Lose," during which I discussed the constitutionality of military tribunals. CMSU.

September 11, 2001. Moderator, "The Context of International Corrections," for the International Corrections Symposium held at CMSU, Sept. 11-13, 2001.

April 18, 2001. Panelist at the Sexual Orientation Forum Luncheon. CMSU.

February/March 2001. "A Show-Me Moment." KCMW-FM Radio program interview, during which I discussed the history of U.S. constitutional development, as well as the 2002 Missouri constitutional initiative asking citizens whether they want to amend their present constitution or adopt another one.

March 9, 2000. At my invitation, Dr. Henry J. Abraham, Professor emeritus at the University of Virginia, came to CMSU. The title of his address was "Reflections on the Supreme Court Appointment Process."

February 17, 2000. I spoke to a group of students on the subject of gay rights, emphasizing in particular the Vermont Supreme Court decision upholding gay marriages and its implications for the Defense of Marriage Act of 1996. The event was sponsored by the CMSU student organization Alternative Lifestyles on Campus.

October 21, 1999. I spoke at a Six O'clock Talk on the subject "What is Liberty"? I gave an overview of Supreme Court decisions in the areas of abortion, homosexual rights, and the right to die. CMSU.

June 21, 1999. I organized a public forum on the First Amendment. Our guests were Robert M. O'Neil, Executive Director of the Thomas Jefferson Center for the Protection of Freedom of Expression in Charlottesville, Virginia, and Mark Goodman, Executive Director of the Student Press Law Center in Washington D.C. CMSU James Kirkpatrick Library.

April 1, 1999. I spoke at a Six O'clock Talk on the topic of "Sex, Lies and the Evening News." I chose this topic in light of the recent controversy over the impeachment of former President William J. Clinton. CMSU.

Other Work Experience:

Teaching Parent, Youth Homes, Inc., 1989-90.
Relief Counselor, Little Keswick School (school for troubled boys), 1996-1998.

Hobbies:

Jogging, Tennis, basketball, swimming, traveling, hiking

Other Data:

Date of Birth: January 26, 1963. Rockville Centre, New York
Married: Renee Lynn Robertson, August 6, 1988.
Daughter: Ashley Virginia Staab, b. August 18, 1999

References:

Henry J. Abraham, James Hart Professor Emeritus, Department of Politics, University of Virginia, P.O. Box 400787, Charlottesville, VA 22903. Home: (434) 972-2482.

David M. O'Brien, Leone Reaves and George W. Spicer
Professor, Department of Politics, University of Virginia, P.O. Box 400787, Charlottesville, VA 22903. Office: (434) 924-3474; Home: (434) 979-2771.

Donald Wallace, Professor, Department of Criminal Justice, Central Missouri State University, Humphreys 302C, Warrensburg, MO 64093. Office: (660) 543-8913.