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CONTACT INFORMATION

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Congressional Fellowship, American Political Science Association, 2017-2018

Visiting Assistant Professor, Washington College, 2016-2017

Visiting Assistant Professor, College of the Holy Cross, 2013-2016

Visiting Assistant Professor, Wellesley College, 2012-2013

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Political Science, University of California, Los Angeles, 2012

Dissertation: *First to the Party: The Group Origins of Party Transformation*

Committee: John Zaller (chair), Scott James, Kathy Bawn, and Rachael Cobb
(Suffolk University)

Fields: American Politics, Quantitative Methods

M.A., Political Science, University of California, Los Angeles, 2009

Ph.D. Candidate, Political Science, Boston College, 2004-2006

M.A., History, Brown University, 1999

B.A., History and Philosophy, Muhlenberg College, 1997

PUBLICATIONS

Book

First to the Party: The Group Origins of Political Transformation. 2017. Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press.

Journal Articles

"Group Agendas as the Root of Party Position Change." *The Forum* 15(4), 2017, 655-665.

"First to the Party: The Group Origins of the Partisan Transformation on Civil Rights, 1940-1960." *Studies in American Political Development* 27 (2), 2013, 111-141.

Edited Book Chapter

"The Possibility of a GOP Realignment" in John Sides and Henry Farrell, eds., *The Science of Trump: Explaining the Rise of an Unlikely Candidate*. Amazon Digital Services, 2016.

Book Review

Independent Politics: How American Disdain for Parties Leads to Political Inaction, by Samara Klar and Yanna Krupnikov in *Political Science Quarterly* 132 (1), 2017, 191-192.

Blog Posts and Op-Eds

"The Post-Trump GOP Looks a Lot Like the Pre-Trump GOP." *The Mischiefs of Faction* at *Vox*, April 6, 2018.

"President Trump is Trying to Reach Across the Aisle. Good Luck with That." *The Monkey Cage* at the *Washington Post*, October 18, 2017.

"A Key Reason the Founders Wanted the Electoral College: To Keep Out Demagogues and Bullies." *The Monkey Cage* at the *Washington Post*, December 12, 2016.

"What Trump's Presidency Could Mean for the Future of the GOP." *Fortune*, November 15, 2016.

"Is Trump the Last Gasp of Reagan's Republican Party?" *The Monkey Cage* at the *Washington Post*, May 11, 2016.

"Bernie Sanders Can't Win Without Party Elites." *Fortune*, April 12, 2016.

"Is Donald Trump leading a realignment of the GOP? Maybe not." *The Monkey Cage* at the *Washington Post*, March 21, 2016.

WORK IN PROGRESS

Book Proposal

"Ahead of the Class: When Coalitions Represent the Disadvantaged."

Journal Articles, Revise and Resubmit

"Ahead of the Class: Feminist Coalition Building in the Democratic Party," *Studies in American Political Development*.

"The Politics of Marriage Equality: Nonconfrontational Officeholders and Confrontational Interest Groups," *Perspectives on Politics*.

Working Papers

"The Majorities Presidents Break: Passing Party Base and Compromise Legislation."

HONORS, AWARDS, & FELLOWSHIPS

William Steiger Fellowship, American Political Science Association, 2017

Center for American Political Studies (CAPS) Fellow, Harvard University, 2012

Summer Mentored Teaching Fellow, UCLA, 2012

Regents Stipend, UCLA 2011-2012

Hoffenberg Fellowship, UCLA 2011-2012

Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research Scholarship 2010

Graduate Summer Research Mentorship, UCLA 2007

ICPSR Scholarship, 2007

James Madison Fellow, James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation, 1998

Summa Cum Laude, Muhlenberg College, 1997

COURSES TAUGHT

The American Presidency; Constitutional Law; Contemporary Issues; Elections and the Political Process; Gender, Sexuality, and the American Party System; Introduction to American Politics; The Media and Politics; Parties and Ideologies; Political Psychology; Public Opinion and Voter Behavior; Public Policy; and Urban Politics

RESEARCH POSITIONS

Research Assistant to John Zaller, UCLA Political Science, 2009

Political behavior research, NOMINATE scores, and presidential voting by district

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

"Neither Liberal nor Conservative: Ideological Innocence in the American Public," American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2018, author meets critic panel organizer and chair.

"Twisting the Elephant's Tail: How Cultural Conservatives Capitalized on the McGovern-Fraser Reforms," Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2018, panel presenter.

"Ahead of the Class: Feminists and Coalition Building in the Democratic Party," American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2016, panel organizer and presenter.

"Hard Hats and Hard Heads: Ideology as a Product of Strategic Coalition Building," American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2016, panel presenter.

"Conceptualizing Parties: Parties as Policy Demanders and the Alternatives," American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2015, roundtable organizer, chair and participant.

"Twisting the Donkey's Tail: Transforming the Democratic Party on Race," American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2013, panel presenter.

"Building Blocs – The Group Origins of Cultural Conservatism in the Republican Party" American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2013, panel presenter.

U.S. Electoral Politics Panel, New England Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2013, chair and discussant.

"First to the Party: The Interest Group Origins of the Partisan Realignment on Civil Rights," American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2011, panel presenter.

"Weak Twigs and Strong Bundles: The Interest Group Origins of the Partisan Realignment on Social Issues," New England Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2011, panel presenter.

"Big Red and Deep Purple: The Dealignment of Highly Cross-Pressured Voters in

an Era of Moral Issues,” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2010, panel presenter.
“The Majorities Presidents Break: The Politics of Opposition in Political Time” New England Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2009, panel presenter.

SELECTED INVITED PRESENTATIONS, LECTURES, & COLLOQUIA

February 2018 "First to the Party: The Group Origins of Political Transformation." University of Maryland Political Science Department.

October 2017 "First to the Party: The Group Origins of Political Transformation." New Books Network Podcast.

December 2016 "Is the Electoral College a Rubber Stamp or Protection against Demagogues." *This Week in Politics*, WNYC News.

April 2016 "2016 Election Panel." College of the Holy Cross.

March 2013 "Voter Participation and American Politics." Wellesley College Committee for Public and Legislative Action.

February 2013 "Evolution of the American Political Parties." Wellesley College Democrats.

November 2012 "Post Presidential Election Commentary." Business Leadership Council of Wellesley College.

November 2012 "US Presidential Election Night Commentary." World Radio Switzerland.

October 2012 "Money, Media, and Mobilization." Wellesley College Faculty Election Panel.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Veryan Beacham Scholarship Awards Committee, Washington College scholarship for students of political violence and terrorism
Reviewer, *Cambridge University Press, American Politics Research, Political Research Quarterly, Public Opinion Quarterly, Political Behavior, and Journal of Policy History*
Editorial Assistant, *Studies in American Political Development*, 2009-2011

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, 2010
Designing, Conducting, and Analyzing Field Experiments, ICPSR, 2007