

Curriculum Vitae – September 2017

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- **Academic Appointments**

- **Texas Tech University,**

- Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, (September 2013 to present)
 - Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, (August 2007-August 2013)

- *Research Leave: Fall 2016 to Summer 2017*

- **Oregon State University**

- Courtesy Faculty (visiting researcher), School of Public Policy, (Spring and Summer 2017)

- **University of Copenhagen**

- Visiting Fellow, Department of Political Science, (Fall 2016)

- **Education**

- **University of Texas at Austin**

- Ph.D., Department of Government, August 2007

- Fields of study: Public Law, Political Behavior and American Politics

- Dissertation: “Beyond Partisanship? Federal Courts, State Commissions, and Redistricting”

- Committee: Daron Shaw, H.W. Perry, Frank Cross, Andrew Karch, Sandy Levinson

- M.A., Department of Government, December 2004

- J.D., School of Law, May 1998

- B.A., Department of Government with High Honors, May 1995

- **Legal work experience**

- Lawyer at the law firm of Ross & Matthews, P.C. of Fort Worth, Tx., from 1998 to 2001

- Practice area: general litigation; state court trial experience, including jury trials. Approximately 30 cases taken to trial as lead attorney.

- **Research Interests**

- U.S. Redistricting law and the Courts; Judicial decision making (European Courts, lower U.S. federal courts, U.S. state courts); criminal law and human rights law in Europe; public opinion and court legitimacy; voting rights and redistricting; political knowledge (particularly as relates to courts); U.S. judicial elections and judicial campaign behavior.

- **Publications**

- *Peer-reviewed*

- 2017. “Americans’ Knowledge of their Local Judges.” *Political Behavior*, 39(2): 259-277. (with Cynthia R. Rugeley, Daniel Benjamin Bailey and Seth C. McKee).

- <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11109-016-9353-9>

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2015. "Testing Voter responses to New Style Judicial Campaign Appeals: What works – Policy Promotion or Experience?" (with Cindy Rugeley and Michael Unger). *Politics & Policy*, 43(4): 562-585.
2015. "The Law and Politics of Florida Redistricting Disputes in State and Federal Court" in *Jigsaw Puzzle Politics in the Sunshine State*. Edited by Seth McKee. Gainesville, FL: University Press of Florida.
2013. "Political Knowledge of Local Courts: Are Rural Voters More Informed than Urban Voters?" (with Ryan Rebe). *Judicature*, 96(4): 169-177.
2013. "Analyzing Redistricting Outcomes" (with Seth McKee) in *Rotten Boroughs, Political Thickets, and Legislative Donnybrooks: Redistricting in Texas*. Edited by Gary Keith. Austin: University of Texas Press.
2012. "The Influence of Partisanship, Ideology, and the Law on Redistricting Decisions in the Federal Courts." *Political Research Quarterly*, 65 (4): 799-813.
2012. "Investigating how voters weigh issues and partisanship in judicial elections." (with Cindy R. Rugeley and Michael A. Unger). *American Review of Politics*, 33(Winter): 295-321.
2011. "New Style' Campaigning, Citizen Knowledge and Sources of Legitimacy for State Courts: A Case Study in Texas." (with Michael Unger). *Politics & Policy*, 39(5): 813-834.
2011. "Campaign Messages in Lower-Court Elections After *Republican Party of Minnesota vs. White*." (with Brian K. Arbour). *Justice System Journal*, 32(1):1-24
2010. "Has the 'New Style' of judicial campaigning reached lower court elections?" (with Brian K. Arbour). *Judicature*, 93 (4): 150-160.
2009. "Attitudes Toward Electoral College Reform: Understanding Opinion Formation on Complicated Public Policy Issues." *Politics & Policy*, 37 (2): 265-288.
2005. "Strategic Voting in the California Recall Election." (with Daron R. Shaw and Jeffrey Underwood). *American Politics Research*, 32 (2): 216-245.

Book Chapters (not peer-reviewed)

2017. "Trial Court Campaign Messaging in a Post-White Environment: An Analysis of Websites." (with Ryan J. Rebe) in *Judicial Elections in the 21st Century*, edited by Chris W. Bonneau and Melinda Gann Hall. Routledge Press.
2010. "Systemic biases affecting congressional voting on electoral college reform" in *Electoral College Reform: Challenges and Possibilities*, 2010, edited by Gary Bugh. Farnham, United Kingdom: Ashgate Publishing.
2009. "Texas After the Bush Era." (with Brian K. Arbour) in *A Paler Shade of Red: The 2008 Presidential Election in the South*, 2009, edited by Branwell Dubose Kapeluck, Laurence W. Moreland, and Robert P. Steed. Fayetteville: Arkansas University Press.

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Book Reviews

2013. Book review for *Political Science Quarterly*, vol. 128 (3): 546-548, *Electing Judges: The Surprising Effects of Campaigning on Judicial Legitimacy*, by James L. Gibson, University of Chicago Press, 2012; *Without Fear or Favor: Judicial Independence and Judicial Accountability in the States*, by G. Alan Tarr, Stanford University Press, 2012.

Other Publications

Textbook (I'm the author of chapters 6 and 13)

2014. "Crime and Criminal Justice: Dilemmas of Social Control" (Chapter 6) and "Private Morality and Public Policy: Moral Values, the Constitution and the Open Society" (Chapter 13) in *American Public Policy*, 11th edition. Kentucky: Cengage Learning. (With N. Joseph Cayer, T.R. Carr, Clark Cochran, Lawrence Mayer and Laura Peck).

2011. "Crime and Criminal Justice: Dilemmas of Social Control" (Chapter 6) and "Private Morality and Public Policy: Family Values, Social Issues, and the Open Society" (Chapter 13) in *American Public Policy*, 10th edition. Kentucky: Cengage Learning. (With N. Joseph Cayer, T.R. Carr, Clark Cochran, Lawrence Mayer and Laura Peck).

Encyclopedia Entry

2007. "Twelfth Amendment." in *Encyclopedia of American Political Parties and Elections*. Updated version. eds. Larry J. Sabato and Howard R. Ernst. Facts on File, Infobase Publishing

• **Invited Talks**

"Collegiality and Dissent in the Danish Supreme Court" presentation at a lunch seminar at the Department of Comparative Politics of the University of Bergen in Bergen, Norway. June 10, 2015.

"Beyond Partisanship? How Partisan Favoritism and the Law Shape Redistricting Decisions in the Lower Federal Courts." Presented at the Texas Tech University School of Law Faculty Exchange Program. April 17, 2012.

• **Awards / Honors / Grants / Fellowships**

Texas Tech University Professing Excellence Award (for teaching) 2014
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CDi5LGsES0w&index=3&list=PLyfDmgEbokJJO6LfyOtW60OXUSev6-89l>

National Science Foundation Dissertation Grant 2006 (\$6,682)

Patterson Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin, Department of Government 2005 (\$300)

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Patterson Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin, Department of Government 2002 (\$300)

Phi Beta Kappa 1996

• **Sample of Recent Conference Presentations**

2017 "Judicial Protectors of the Scandinavian Welfare State? A Comparative Analysis of Tax Decisions in the Danish and Norwegian Supreme Courts" to be presented at the Midwest Political Science Association, April 8, 2016, in Chicago, Illinois. (with Henrik Litleré Bentsen and Jon Kåre Skiple, University of Bergen).

2016 “Explaining Dissent on the Danish Supreme Court.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 8, 2016, in Chicago, Illinois. (with Henrik Litleré Bentsen and Jon Kåre Skiple, University of Bergen).

2015 “Judicial Policy Making in Crime and Tax Law on the Danish Supreme Court.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Pacific Northwest Political Science Association, October 16, 2015 in Boise, Idaho. (with Henrik Litleré Bentsen and Jon Kåre Skiple, University of Bergen)

2014 “The Influence of the European Court of Human Rights on the Behavior of National Courts in Terrorism and National Security Cases: A Case Study of Supreme Courts in Denmark, the U.K., and Spain.” Presented at the American Political Science Association annual meeting, Sept. 2014, Washington, D.C.

“Sleepy Affairs or Partisan Slugfests? District Court Campaign Rhetoric in a Post-White Environment.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, November 13-15, Boston, MA. (With Brian Arbour and Ryan Rebe)

2013

“Partisan Hacks or Honest Brokers?: A Survey of Federal Judges’ Perspectives on Redistricting Cases” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2013.

“An experimental test of the effects of issues and experience on voters in judicial elections” (with Cindy Rugeley and Michael Unger) Presented at the Southwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting in New Orleans, March 28, 2013.

• **Research in Progress**

“Tax decisions in the Danish and Norwegian Supreme Courts”

“Crime Policy on the Danish Supreme Court”

“The Influence of the European Court of Human Rights on Terrorism and National Security cases in the National Courts of the United Kingdom, Denmark, and Spain”

“The Role of Precedent in Tax Opinions before the Danish Supreme Court”

“Collegiality and Dissent in the Danish Supreme Court”

Danish Supreme Court database project: Ongoing research project cataloging the decisions of every Danish Supreme Court case over the last 25 years.

Beyond Partisanship? How Partisan Politics Influences Judging in Redistricting Cases – This is a book manuscript in progress. The book uses redistricting cases from state and federal courts, elite in-person interviews with federal judges, and a mail survey of 100+ federal judges to gain leverage on the larger question of how partisan favoritism affects judicial decision making in the state and federal courts.

“Inside the Partisan Judicial Mind: A Survey of Federal Judges’ Perspectives on Redistricting Litigation.”

- **Professional Activities**

State Bar of Texas, licensed active member to practice law in Texas since 1998.
Member, Midwest Political Science Association
Member, American Political Science Association

Reviewer of Manuscripts for journals:

British Journal of Political Science
American Political Science Review
American Journal of Political Science
American Politics Research
Political Behavior
Political Research Quarterly
State Politics and Policy Quarterly
American Review of Politics

- **Teaching Experience**

Undergraduate Courses: Election Law and Voting Rights; American Constitutional Law; U.S. Civil Rights and Civil Liberties; U.S. Judicial Process & Behavior; Comparative Judicial Process in Europe and America; Due Process; Introduction to American Government; Texas Government

Graduate courses: Administrative Law; Judicial Behavior; Seminar in American Politics

- **Service**

- Member, Law and Courts Section Nominations Committee for the American Political Science Association (2012-13)
- Organizer: yearly Constitution Day Panel hosted at Texas Tech and open to the public (2009-2014)
- Appearance on a local TV documentary program about the U.S. Constitution.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y3ohlacd6dk>
- Faculty Advisor for student group Texas Tech Gay-Straight Alliance (fall 2010-spring 2016)
- Guest Speaker and moderator for various meetings and events of student groups on campus, including Young Americans for Liberty, Mock Trial, and the pre-law student group. Here is a link where the student newspaper reported on one of those meetings.
http://www.dailytoreador.com/news/article_7d872512-a8aa-11e2-88bc-001a4bcf6878.html
- Member, Departmental Committee for the Texas Tech Earl Survey Research Lab
- Member, American Field graduate comprehensive examinations committee (fall 09, spring 10, spring 11, fall 11, fall 12, spring 2013, and fall 2013)
- Chair, American field graduate student examinations committee (spring 2010, fall 2013)
- Member, Search Committee for American Politics faculty position (Fall 2012)
- Member, Search Committee for faculty position on Western European Politics (Fall 2011)
- Chair, Best Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, Southwestern Pol. Sci. Assoc.
- Chair, Departmental Committee overseeing development of a departmental online course for Introduction to American Politics

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●Frequent interviews/appearances with local media to talk about law and courts issues or elections and public opinion, as well as an appearance with the nationwide *National Public Radio (NPR)*. Here are links to a small sample of these interviews and appearances in news stories:

The NPR appearance: <http://www.npr.org/2013/10/30/241891800/texas-voter-id-law-creates-a-problem-for-some-women>

http://www.clipsyndicate.com/video/playlist/26504/4556109?title=local_news

<http://www.onenewspage.com/video/20131127/1513195/Fox-34-in-depth-Businesses-challenges-Obamacare.htm>

http://www.dailytoreador.com/news/article_b4518012-2008-11e3-bee6-0019bb30f31a.html

<http://kttz.org/post/nsa-scandal-local-perspective>

<http://kfyo.com/texas-tech-holds-constitution-day-panel-to-discuss-u-s-constitution-and-immigration/>