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Academic Appointments

West Virginia University

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science

2023–

Education

Ph.D. Political Science. Michigan State University

2023

M.A. Political Science. Michigan State University

2019

B.A. Political Science, History, & Zoology. University of Wisconsin-Madison

2015

External Research Support

King, Jonathan M. and Jessica A. Schoenherr (co-PIs): “Collaborative Proposal: Precedent-Altering Opinions and Collegiality on the U.S. Supreme Court.” (Award Number: 2341491). Law and Sciences Division, National Science Foundation. March 2024-February 2025. Total Award: \$159,476 (WVU portion of award: \$84,673).

King, Jonathan M. (Co-PI) and Ryan C. Black (PI). “Doctoral Dissertation Research: Personality Trait Estimation of U.S. Federal Circuit Court Judges.” (Award Number: 2017311). Law and Sciences Division, National Science Foundation. August 2020-July 2021. \$31,300.

Peer-Reviewed Articles

King, Jonathan M. and Jessica A. Schoenherr. 2024. “A Matter of Opinion? The Strategic Selection of Supreme Court Opinion Writers.” *Journal of Law and Courts*. 12(1): 144-164.

King, Jonathan M., Peter McAndrews, and Ian Ostrander. 2022. “President Trump and the Politics of Judicial Nominations.” *Justice System Journal*. 43(4): 524-543.

King, Jonathan M. and Ian Ostrander. 2020. “Prioritizing Judicial Nominations After Presidential Transitions.” *Presidential Studies Quarterly* 50(3): 592-610.

Working Papers

King, Jonathan M., Ian Ostrander, and Jessica A. Schoenherr. “Dropping the Anchor: Gender and Judicial Nominations.” (*Under Review*).

King, Jonathan M. and Ian Ostrander. “Quick to Judge? Confirmation by Cloture in the Post-Nuclear Senate.” (*Under Review*).

Bird, Christine C., Jonathan M. King, and Zachary A. McGee. “The Voting Behavior of Federalist Society Senators in Federal Judicial Nominations.” (*Under Review*).

King, Jonathan M., Jessica A. Schoenherr, and Katelyn E. Stauffer. ““You Reached Out to Me for Help”: Female Attorneys, Anti-Feminist Causes, and Their Effects on Symbolic Representation.” (*Under Review*).

– *SPSA 2023 C. Neal Tate Award for best paper presented in judicial politics*

King, Jonathan M. “The Rise of Ideology and the Fall of Bipartisanship in Lower Court Confirmations”

King, Jonathan M. “Just A Number? The Impact of Age on Federal Judicial Nominations.”

Non-Refereed Papers, Articles, and Blog Posts

Schoenherr, Jessica A. and Jonathan M. King. 2024. "Supreme Court heads into uncharted, dangerous territory as it considers Trump insurrection case." *The Conversation*. February 6, 2024.

Fellowships, Internal Grants, and Awards

Internal Research Support

Woolwine Foundation Research Fellowship, West Virginia University, 2023, \$2,300

Michigan State University Graduate Office Fellowship, 2021, \$4,095

Michigan State University College of Social Science Research Scholars Award, 2021, \$3,750

Michigan State University Graduate Office Fellowship, 2021, \$1,980

Michigan State University Graduate Office Fellowship, 2020, \$2,100

Awards

C. Neal Tate Award for Best Paper Presented in Judicial Politics. "'You Reached Out to Me for Help': Female Attorneys, Anti-Feminist Causes, and Their Effects on Symbolic Representation." Southern Political Science Association. 2024. (with Jessica A. Schoenherr and Katelyn E. Stauffer).

Teaching Award, Department of Political Science, Michigan State University. 2023

Michigan State University Cloud Computing Fellowship, 2020-2021

Prestage-Cook Travel Award, Southern Political Science Association, 2019

APSA Travel Grant, American Political Science Association, 2018, 2022

Conference and Workshop Presentations

American Political Science Association: 2018, 2022, 2024

Midwest Political Science Association: 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024

Southern Political Science Association: 2019, 2023

Conference In Honor of Steven S. Smith, Washington University in St. Louis: 2023

Teaching

West Virginia University (Instructor of Record)

POLS 210: Law and the Legal System

POLS 313: American Constitutional Law (Institutional Powers)

POLS 314: Civil Liberties – United States

POLS 324: Sexuality, Law, and Politics

POLS 487: Capstone: Senior Paper

Michigan State University (Instructor of Record)

PLS 320: Judicial Politics

PLS 321: Constitutional Law – Civil Rights and Liberties

PLS 495: Independent Study

Michigan State University (Lab Section Instructor)

PLS 201: Introduction to Political Analysis

Advising

Undergraduate

WVU RAP Program: Sydney Hickie (2024), Maximillian Hall (2024)

WVU POLS Capstone: Ellen Stillion (2024), Sidnee Varney (2024)

Service

Discipline

Reviewer: *Journal of Politics*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Political Behavior*, *Journal of Data Science*, National Science Foundation

Award Committee Member: Teaching and Mentoring (Law and Courts Section of the American Political Science Association, 2024)

Discussant: Midwest Political Science Association (2024)

Department, West Virginia University

Committee Member: Ad hoc Committee on Research Evaluation

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