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EMPLOYMENT

Professor, University of South Carolina, Department of Political Science, January 2015-present.

- Pearce Faculty Fellow in the USC Honors College, 2025-2027.
- Chair, July 2019-June 2024.
- Director of Leadership Studies, April 2017-present.
- Director of Graduate Studies, July 2017-June 2019.
- Director of the Carolina Leadership Initiative, January 2013-June 2016.
- Graduate Placement Director, 2024-present.

Associate Professor, University of South Carolina, Department of Political Science, July 2010-Dec 2014.

- Graduate Placement Director, 2010-2013.

Assistant Professor, University of South Carolina, Department of Political Science, July 2008-June 2010.

Assistant Professor, University of Kentucky, Department of Political Science, July 2003-June 2008.

Instructor, Michigan State University, Department of Political Science, Summer 2000-Summer 2003.

Graduate Research Assistant, Michigan State University, Department of Political Science, 1998-2003.

Graduate Research Assistant, University of South Carolina, Department of Government and International Studies, 1994-1997.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

University of South Carolina

- Chair, July 2019-July 2024.
- Director of Leadership Studies, April 2017-present.
- Director of Graduate Studies, July 2017-June 2019.
- Director of the Carolina Leadership Initiative, January 2013-June 2016.
- Graduate Placement Director, 2010-2013 and 2024-present.

Kappa Kappa Psi, National Honorary Band Fraternity (located in Stillwater, OK)

- *Chair, Board of Trustees* (responsibilities include managing the commercial and business aspects of a national organization), 2007-2009.
- *Vice Chair, Board of Trustees* (responsibilities include managing the commercial and business aspects of a national organization), 2005-2007.
- *Member, Board of Trustees* 2003-2013.
- *National President* (responsibilities include supervising a staff of five, monitoring and developing programs for 4,000 undergraduates, and operating a \$600,000 budget), 2001-2003.
- *National Vice President for Colonization and Membership* (responsibilities include monitoring progress of 170 chapters across the United States), 1999-2001.
- *National Vice President for Programs* (responsibilities include creating a leadership development program for 4,000 undergraduate members), 1997-1999.

- *National Vice President for Student Affairs* (responsibilities include developing educational programs for 4,000 undergraduate members), 1995-1997.

EDUCATION

Michigan State University, Ph.D. in Political Science, 2003.

Fields: American Government (Judicial Politics and Public Law), Research Methods (Maximum Likelihood Estimation and Time Series Analysis) and Formal Theory (Game Theory and Social Choice)

Dissertation Title: “Defenders of Civil Liberties or Champions of National Security? The Federal Courts and U.S. Foreign Policy.” (Reginald S. Sheehan, Chair).

Michigan State University, M.A. in Political Science, 2000.

Fields: American Government (Judicial Politics and Public Law), Research Methods, and Formal Theory

University of South Carolina, M.A. in International Studies, 1997.

Fields: International Relations and U.S. Foreign Policy

Thesis Title: “The International Court of Justice: World Court or Western Tribunal?”

University of South Carolina, B.A. in Music, 1994.

OTHER TRAINING

USC Pipeline for Academic Leadership, 2021-2022.

Focus: Developing leadership skills within talented individuals across the University of South Carolina.

Leadership Columbia, 2013-2014.

Focus: Developing leadership skills within talented individuals in the Columbia, SC, community.

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) at Duke University, 2004

Seminar Focus: Bridging the gap between formal models and empirical analyses

Served as a Mentoring Faculty in Residence at the University of Michigan, 2009.

Detroit College of Law at Michigan State University, 2000.

Courses: Governmental Powers; Civil Liberties

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research, Ann Arbor, MI, 1999.

Courses: Maximum Likelihood Estimation; Scaling and Dimensional Analysis

University of South Carolina School of Law, 1996.

Courses: International Law

TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

Teaching:

Constitutional Law (Governmental Powers)

Judicial Process and Politics

Moot Court and Legal Research

Rational Choice and Formal Theory

Leadership Development

Constitutional Law (Civil Liberties)

Comparative Judicial Politics and Rule of Law

Research Methods

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models

Research:

- Hierarchical relationships and strategic behavior within the federal judiciary
- Measurement issues in judicial politics, especially measures of precedent, constraint and attitudes
- The federal judiciary’s influence on, and interpretation of, U.S. foreign policy

- The role of courts in the democratization processes, especially in post-Communist Europe
- Comparative judicial analyses, especially cross-national judicial independence and legitimacy

PUBLICATIONS¹

Books:

1. Haynie, Stacia L., Kirk A. Randazzo, and Reginald S. Sheehan. 2024. *Does Privilege Prevail? Litigation in High Courts Across the Globe*. Charlottesville, VA: University of Virginia Press.
2. Howard, Robert M., Kirk A. Randazzo, and Rebecca A. Reid*, editors. 2023. *The Handbook of Law and Political Systems*. New York, NY: Elgar Publishing.
3. Howard, Robert M. and Kirk A. Randazzo, editors. 2017. *The Handbook of Judicial Behavior*. New York, NY: Routledge Press.
4. Randazzo, Kirk A. and Richard W. Waterman. 2014. *Checking the Courts: Law, Ideology, and Contingent Discretion*. Albany, NY: SUNY Press.
5. Sheehan, Reginald S., Rebecca Wood Gill, and Kirk A. Randazzo. 2012. *Judicialization of Politics: The Interplay of Institutional Structure, Legal Doctrine, and Politics on the High Court of Australia*. Durham, NC: Carolina Academic Press.
6. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2010. *Defenders of Liberty or Champions of Security? Federal Courts, the Hierarchy of Justice, and U.S. Foreign Policy*. Albany, NY: SUNY Press.

Articles:

1. Fix, Michael P.*, Kirk A. Randazzo, and Ana R. Martin. 2021. "The Impact of Democratic Consolidation on Public Confidence in Courts." *Open Judicial Politics, Oregon State University Press*.
2. Reid, Rebecca A.*, and Kirk A. Randazzo. 2019. "High Courts and International Norms Institutionalization." *Open Judicial Politics, Oregon State University Press* 1: 6.2.
3. Randazzo, Kirk A., Douglas M. Gibler, and Rebecca Reid*. 2016. "Examining the Development of Judicial Independence." *Political Research Quarterly* 69 (September): 583-593.
4. Reid, Rebecca* and Kirk A. Randazzo. 2016. "Statutory Language and the Separation of Powers." *Justice System Journal* 37(3): 246-258.
5. Massie, Tajuana, Kirk A. Randazzo, and Donald R. Songer. 2014. "The Politics of Judicial Retirement in Canada and the United Kingdom." *Journal of Law & Courts* 2 (Fall): 273-299.
6. Kimel, TJ* and Kirk A. Randazzo. 2012. "Shaping the Federal Courts: The Obama Nominees." *Social Science Quarterly* 93 (December): 1243-1250.
7. Sheehan, Reginald S. and Kirk A. Randazzo. 2012 "Party Capability Theory and the High Court of Australia." *Australian Journal of Political Science* 47 (2): 239-255.

¹ * indicates that co-author is a current or former student.

8. Randazzo, Kirk A., Richard W. Waterman, and Michael P. Fix*. 2011. "State Supreme Courts and the Effects of Statutory Constraint: A Test of the Model of Contingent Discretion." *Political Research Quarterly* 64 (December): 779-789.
9. Randazzo, Kirk A. and Richard W. Waterman. 2011. "The U.S. Supreme Court and the Model of Contingent Discretion." *Justice System Journal* 32 (December): 269-292.
10. Gibler, Douglas M. and Kirk A. Randazzo. 2011. "Testing the Effects of Independent Judiciaries on the Likelihood of Democratic Backsliding." *American Journal of Political Science* 55 (July): 696-709.
11. Urribarri, Raul Sanchez*, Susanne Schorpp*, Kirk A. Randazzo, and Donald R. Songer. 2011. "Explaining Changes to Rights Litigation: Testing a Multivariate Model in a Comparative Framework." *Journal of Politics* 73 (April): 391-405.
12. Urribarri, Raul Sanchez*, Susanne Schorpp*, Kirk A. Randazzo, and Donald R. Songer. 2011. "The Support Structure and Sustained Attention to Rights: A Rejoinder." *Journal of Politics* 73 (April): 410-411.
13. Fix, Michael P.* and Kirk A. Randazzo. 2010. "Judicial Deference and National Security: Applications of the Political Question and Act of State Doctrines." *Democracy and Security* 6 (Number 1): 1-16.
14. Manning, Sara* and Kirk A. Randazzo. 2009. "Leveling the Playing Field? Litigant Success Rates in Healthcare Policy Cases in the U.S. Courts of Appeals." *Justice System Journal* 30(2): 1-9.
15. Bumin, Kirill M.*, Kirk A. Randazzo, and Lee D. Walker. 2009. "Institutional Viability and High Courts: A Comparative Analysis." *Australian Journal of Political Science* 44 (March): 127-153.
16. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2008. "Strategic Anticipation and the Hierarchy of Justice in the U.S. District Courts." *American Politics Research* 36 (September): 669-693.
17. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2008. "Statutory Constraint on the Seventh Circuit: Examining Congressional Influence." *Southern Illinois University Law Review* 32 (Spring): 683-698.
18. Dasgupta, Sugato, Kirk A. Randazzo, Reginald S. Sheehan, and Kenneth C. Williams. 2007. "Coordinated Voting in Sequential and Simultaneous Elections: Some Experimental Evidence." *Experimental Economics*: July 2007.
19. Randazzo, Kirk A., Richard W. Waterman, and Jeffrey A. Fine*. 2006. "Checking the Federal Courts: The Impact of Congressional Statutes on Judicial Behavior." *Journal of Politics* 68 (November): 1003-1014.
20. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2006. "When Liberty and Security Collide: Foreign Policy Litigation and the Federal Judiciary." *Kentucky Law Journal* 94 (Number 4): 629-648.
21. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2004. "Foreign Affairs Litigation in the U.S. Courts of Appeals: A Preliminary Analysis." *Justice System Journal* 25 (Number 2): 227-238.
22. Herron, Erik S. and Kirk A. Randazzo. 2003. "The Relationship Between Independence and Judicial Review in Post-Communist Courts." *Journal of Politics* 65 (May): 422-438.

Book Chapters and Non-Peer Reviewed Publications:

1. Lindquist, Stefanie A. and Kirk A. Randazzo. 2025. "The Vanishing Appeal?" *University of Pittsburgh Law Review* 86 (Winter): 477-503.
2. Hassett, Abigail V.* and Kirk A. Randazzo. 2024. "Education versus Experience? An Elite Legal Dynasty Among Federal Judges in the United States." in *Informality and Courts*. Bjorn Dreessel, Raul Sanchez-Urribarri, and Alexander Stroh-Steckelberg, editors. Edinburgh, Scotland: Edinburgh University Press.
3. Shanks, Madison* and Kirk A. Randazzo. 2023. "Who Wrote the Constitution?" in *The U.S. Constitution in 5 Minutes*. Joseph L. Smith and David E. Klein, editors. South Yorkshire, United Kingdom: Equinox Publishing.
4. Randazzo, Kirk A. and Rebecca Reid*. 2016. "Statutory Interpretation and the Chief Justice: Activism or Judicial Discretion." in *The Chief Justice: Appointment and Influence*. David J. Danelski and Artemus Ward, editors. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.
5. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2004. "Teaching Civil Liberties in Eritrea: Promoting the 'Rights of the People' in Cooperation with the U.S. Department of State." *PS: Political Science and Politics* 37 (July): 537-538.
6. Carson, Jamie L. and Kirk A. Randazzo. 2002. "Emerging Multi-Institutional Analyses: Congress and the Courts." *APSA Legislative Studies Newsletter* 25.
7. Randazzo, Kirk A., Harold J. Spaeth, and Joy A. Willis. 2000. "Informal Decision Making on the Michigan Supreme Court: Assessing Partisan Cleavages." Paper excerpted in *Michigan Lawyers' Weekly* October 30, 2000.

Book Reviews:

1. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2012. Review of *The Limits of Judicial Independence*. By Tom S. Clark. *Law and Politics Book Review* Volume 22 (9): 419-421.
2. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2009. Review of *Judge Made Federalism: The Role of Courts in Federal Systems*. By Beniamino Caravita di Toritto, Jutta Kramer, and Hans-Peter Schneider (eds.). *Law and Politics Book Review* Volume 19 (October): 788-790.
3. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2007. Review of *The Politics of Precedent on the U.S. Supreme Court* by Thomas G. Hansford and James F. Spriggs, II. *Journal of Politics*.
4. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2007. Review of *Executing the Constitution: Putting the President Back into the Constitution* by Christopher S. Kelley, editor. *Presidential Studies Quarterly* 37 (June): 368-369.
5. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2005. Review of *American Law in a Global Context*. By George P. Fletcher and Steve Sheppard. *Law and Politics Book Review* Volume 15 (July): 617-620.

Encyclopedia Entries and Other Publications:

1. Groen, Deborah* and Kirk A. Randazzo. 2017. "Burwell v. Hobby Lobby Stores." *The Encyclopedia of American Civil Rights and Liberties*. John Scheb and Otis Stephens, editors. ABC-CLIO publishers.
2. Jones, Amanda* and Kirk A. Randazzo. 2017. "DC v. Heller." *The Encyclopedia of American Civil Rights and Liberties*. John Scheb and Otis Stephens, editors. ABC-CLIO publishers.

3. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2010. "Comparative Judicial Systems." in *The Encyclopedia of Political Science*. George Thomas Kurian, James E. Alt, Simone Chambers, Geoffrey Garrett, Margaret Levi, Paula McClain, eds. Washington, DC: CQ Press.
4. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2008. "The Judicial Research Initiative." *Law and Courts Newsletter* Summer Issue.
5. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2006. "Article Three (the Judiciary)." in the *Encyclopedia of the U.S. Constitution*. David Schultz, editor. New York: Facts on File, Inc.
6. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2006. "Foreign Affairs and the Constitution." in the *Encyclopedia of the U.S. Constitution*. David Schultz, editor. New York: Facts on File, Inc.
7. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2006. "9-11 and the Constitution." in the *Encyclopedia of the U.S. Constitution*. David Schultz, editor. New York: Facts on File, Inc.
8. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2006. "The University of Kentucky's Ulmer Project." *Law and Courts Newsletter* Winter: 13-15.
9. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2004. "*U.S. Terms Limits v. Thorton*." in the *Encyclopedia of American Parties and Elections*. Howard Ernst, editor. New York: Facts on File, Inc.
10. Randazzo, Kirk A. and Reginald S. Sheehan. 2004. "The Supreme Court and Public Opinion." in *Polling America: An Encyclopedia of Public Opinion*. Benjamin Radcliffe and Sam Best, eds. New York: Greenwood Press.
11. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2003. "Case or Controversy." in *The Encyclopedia of the U.S. Supreme Court*. David Schultz, editor. New York: Facts on File, Inc.
12. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2003. "*Haig v. Agee*." in *The Encyclopedia of the U.S. Supreme Court*. David Schultz, editor. New York: Facts on File, Inc.
13. Randazzo, Kirk A. 2003. "*Goldwater v. Carter*." in *The Encyclopedia of the U.S. Supreme Court*. David Schultz, editor. New York: Facts on File, Inc.
14. Randazzo, Kirk A. and Reginald S. Sheehan. 2002. "Appellate Courts." in *Legal Systems of the World: A Political, Social, and Cultural Encyclopedia*, Herbert M. Kritzer, ed. New York: ABC-CLIO Publishers.

WORKING PAPERS AND RECENT MANUSCRIPTS

- "The Diffusion of Judicial Independence." Journal manuscript (with David Darmofal and Monica Lineberger). Under review.
- "The Judicial Balancing Act: Ideology, Law, and Legitimacy in Supreme Court Decisions." Book chapter (with Abigail Hassett and Anna Puente). Under review.
- "The Law of Inequality: Caseload Representation on High Courts." Journal manuscript (with Madison Shanks and Jessica Schoenherr).

AWARDS, GRANTS, AND DISTINCTIONS

- Award Recipient. "Career Influencer Award." University of South Carolina. 2024.

Grant Recipient, National Science Foundation, SES-1920991 (\$239,467). “Decision Making on the U.S. District Courts: Building a Multi-User Database.” Grant used to develop a multi-user database of decisions from the U.S. District Courts. 2019.

Grant Recipient, University of South Carolina Leadership Initiative and Center for Teaching Excellence Teaching Leadership Grant (\$3000). “The Politics of Leadership.” 2011.

Grant Recipient, University of South Carolina Provost’s Social Science Grant Program (\$13,984). “Decision Making on the U.S. District Courts: Building a Multi-User Database.” 2010.

Grant Recipient, National Science Foundation, SES-0946340 (\$27,509). Grant used to host the “Workshop on the Identification and Integration of Law and Court Data.” 2009.

Award Recipient, “A Teacher Who Made A Difference,” University of Kentucky. 2009.

Grant Recipient, National Science Foundation, SES-0719328 (\$68,795). 2007. Grant used to examine the effects of statutory constraint on judicial behavior (with Richard W. Waterman).

Grant Recipient, University of Kentucky International Travel Grant (\$1200). 2006. Grant used to finance travel to Melbourne, Australia, for presentation of research at the interim meeting of the Comparative Judicial Research Committee of the International Political Science Association.

Grant Recipient, University of Kentucky Faculty Research Support Grant (\$4500). 2005.

Grant Recipient, U.S. Speaker and Specialist Grant issued by the United States Department of State (\$13,800). 2005. Grant used to finance travel to Turkmenistan and presentations to non-governmental organizations and U.S. Embassy personnel.

Grant Recipient, University of Kentucky International Travel Grant (\$1200). 2005. Grant used to finance travel to Naples, Italy, for presentation of research at the interim meeting of the Comparative Judicial Research Committee of the International Political Science Association.

Grant Recipient, University of Kentucky Summer Research Fellowship (\$6000). 2004.

Grant Recipient, U.S. Speaker and Specialist Grant issued by the United States Department of State (\$12,400). 2004. Grant used to finance travel to Eritrea and presentation of a series of lectures on civil liberties and the rule of law in the United States, on behalf of the State Department.

Finalist for the Provost’s Outstanding Teacher Award, University of Kentucky. 2004.

Recipient, APSA Travel Award, 2003.

Data Consultant, 2000. “Certiorari Voting on the U.S. Supreme Court,” Richard Cordray and Margaret Cordray, Ohio State University School of Law.

Recipient, CIC Traveling Scholar Fellowship, 1999.

Recipient, Michigan State University Graduate Office Fellowship, 1998-2000.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of South Carolina

POLI 215 – *Introduction to Leadership Studies*
 POLI 391 – *Moot Court and Legal Research*
 POLI 391 – *Foundations of Law and Government*
 POLI 391 – *Recent Controversies in Constitutional Law*
 POLI 450 – *Constitutional Law*
 POLI 451 – *Civil Liberties*
 POLI 701 – *Theories of Political Inquiry*
 POLI 706 – *Methods of Political Analysis (Regression)*
 POLI 726 – *Graduate Seminar in Judicial Politics*
 POLI 727 – *Models of Political Institutions (EITM)*
 POLI 798 – *Comparative Judicial Politics*
 POLI 803 – *Advanced Topics in Research Methodology (MLE)*
 POLI 803 – *Advanced Topics in Research Methodology (Time Series)*

University of Kentucky

PS 461 – *Civil Liberties*
 PS 463 – *American Judicial Process*
 PS 465 – *Constitutional Law*
 PS 467 – *The U.S. Supreme Court*
 PS 491 – *Moot Court and Legal Research*
 PS 672 – *Introduction to Research Methods (Regression)*
 PS 760 – *Graduate Seminar in Judicial Politics*
 PS 772 – *Advanced Topics in Research Methodology (MLE)*

Instructor, Michigan State University

PLS 201 – *Introduction to Methods of Research Analysis*
 PLS 320 – *Judicial Process and Politics*
 PLS 321 – *American Constitutional Law*
 PLS 421 – *Moot Court and Legal Research* (co-taught with Reginald S. Sheehan)

Teaching Assistant, Michigan State University

PLS 421 – *Moot Court and Legal Research* (Supervising Faculty: Reginald S. Sheehan)

INTERNATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

1. “Education versus Experience? Assessing the Impact on Federal Judges.” 2022. Presented at the International Conference on Informal Judicial Ties at the Oñati Institute of International Law, Spain (with Abigail V. Hassett).
2. “Institutional Viability and High Courts: A Comparative Analysis.” 2007. Presented at the interim meeting of the Comparative Judicial Research Committee of the International Political Science Association, in Melbourne, Australia.
3. “The Implementation of Human Rights and the Rule of Law.” 2005. Invited by the U.S. Department of State to present the keynote address at the first-ever conference on Democracy and Human Rights, sponsored by the American Embassy in Ashgabat, Turkmenistan.
4. “Multiple Preferences in Foreign Policy Litigation in the U.S. Federal Courts.” 2005. Presented at the interim meeting of the Comparative Judicial Research Committee of the International Political Science Association, in Naples, Italy.

5. "Civil Liberties and the Rule of Law in the United States." 2004. Invited by the U.S. Department of State to present at the University of Asmara, Eritrea.
6. "Judicial Institutions and the Evolution of Independent Courts in New Democracies." 2001. Invited to present at the Conference on Progress and Challenges in Democratization and Economic Liberalization, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj, Romania (with Erik S. Herron).

INVITED PRESENTATIONS (DOMESTIC)

1. "Equal Justice? A Comparative Analysis of Litigant Success in Supreme Courts" 2018. Invited to present before the Department of Political Science at Georgia State University.
2. "The Politics of the U.S. Supreme Court and the Constitution." 2018. Invited to present on Constitution Day at Newberry College in Newberry, SC.
3. "Is Political Science Still Relevant?" 2016. Keynote address delivered to the Georgia Political Science Association annual meeting in Savannah, GA.
4. "Checking the Courts: Law, Ideology, and Contingent Discretion." 2011. Invited to present before the Department of Political Science at the University of Alabama.
5. "Defender of Liberty or Champion of Security? The Supreme Court and the Challenge of Guantanamo Bay." 2010. Invited to present before the Department of Political Science at Augusta State University.
6. "Balancing Liberty and Security at Guantanamo Bay." 2008. Invited to present at the Palmetto Forum sponsored by the Walker Institute for International and World Affairs.
7. "Statutory Constraint Across the Circuits: Examining Congressional Influence on the Courts of Appeals." 2008. Invited to present at the Conference on the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals at Southern Illinois University – Carbondale School of Law.
8. "Statutory Influences on the U.S. Supreme Court: The Effect of Constraint and Facilitation." 2007. Invited to present before the University of Kentucky College of Law.
9. "Measuring Judicial Viability in a Comparative Environment." 2007. Invited to present before the Department of Political Science at SUNY Binghamton.
10. "The Federal Judiciary and U.S. Foreign Policy." 2002. Invited to present at the Political Methodology Section Annual Conference, Seattle, WA.
11. "The Development of Judicial Independence in Post-Communist States." 2000. Invited to present at the Annual Conference on the Scientific Study of Judicial Politics, Columbus, OH (with Erik S. Herron).

PROFESSIONAL MEETING PRESENTATIONS

1. "A Comparative Measure of Judicial Legitimacy." 2022. Southern Political Science Association in San Antonio, TX (with Rahul Hemrajani).
2. "Education versus Experience? Assessing the Impact on Federal Judges." 2021. Southern Political Science Association (with Abigail V. Hassett) in New Orleans, LA.
3. "Decision Making on the U.S. District Courts: Building a Multiuser Database." 2021. Southern Political Science Association in New Orleans, LA (with Robert M. Howard).

4. "Decision Making in the Federal District Courts." 2020. Southern Political Science Association in San Juan, Puerto Rico (with Robert M. Howard).
5. "The Law of Inequality: Caseload Representation on High Courts." 2019. Southern Political Science Association in Austin, TX (with Kelsey M. Martin-Morales, Madison R. Swiney, and Susanne Schorpp).
6. "Suing the Government." 2018. Southern Political Science Association in New Orleans, LA (with Brad Epperly and Tobias Heinrich).
7. "Does the Supreme Court Rely on Congressional Intent." 2017. Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, IL. (with Stephanie Davis).
8. "How to Negotiate." 2016. Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, IL.
9. "Congressional Intent and the Supreme Court." 2016. Southern Political Science Association in San Juan, Puerto Rico (with Stephanie Davis).
10. "Don Songer and the Lifetime Achievement Award." 2015. American Political Science Association in San Francisco, CA.
11. "Negotiating Your Position in Political Science" 2015. Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, IL.
12. "The Diffusion of Judicial Independence." 2014. American Political Science Association in Washington, DC (with David Darmofal).
13. "The Spread of Judicial Independence: A Spatial Analysis." 2014. Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, IL (with David Darmofal).
14. "Party Capability Theory, Resource Inequality, and Judicial Legitimacy: A Cross-National Test of Africa High Courts." 2014. Southern Political Science Association in New Orleans, LA (with TJ Kimel).
15. "Examining the Development of Judicial Independence." 2012. Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, IL (with Douglas M. Gibler and Rebecca Reid).
16. "Party Capability Theory in African Courts – A Comparative Analysis." 2012. Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, IL (with TJ Kimel).
17. "Supreme Court Summary Decisions and Lower Court Compliance: Reexamining the Principal-Agent Model in a Judicial Hierarchy." 2012. Southern Political Science Association in New Orleans, LA (with Ali S. Masood).
18. "Statutory Language and the Separation of Powers." 2011. American Political Science Association in Seattle, WA (with Rebecca Reid).
19. "The Effects of Judicial Independence and Legitimacy on Human Rights in Africa." 2011. Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, IL (with Ashley C. Burnside).
20. "Habeas Corpus Litigation in the U.S. District Courts." 2011. Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, IL (with Nicholas A. Mostardo).

21. "Bottom-up or Top-down? High Courts and International Norms." 2011. Southern Political Science Association in New Orleans, LA (with Rebecca Reid).
22. "Author Meets Critic: *Defenders of Liberty or Champions of Security?*?" 2011. Southern Political Science Association in New Orleans, LA.
23. "The Effect of Institutional Changes on Judicial Behavior in the U.S. Courts of Appeals." 2010. American Political Science Association in Washington, DC (with Benjamin Kassow).
24. "Fear of Reversal by the Supreme Court? Testing Strategic Anticipation in a Judicial Hierarchy." 2010. Southern Political Science Association in Atlanta, GA (with Susanne Schorpp).
25. "The Strategic Presidency During Confirmation: Rhetoric, Uncertainty, and the Selling of Supreme Court Nominees." 2009. American Political Science Association in Toronto, Canada (with Michael P. Fix and Daniel S. Morey).
26. "The Evolution of Legal Constraint and the U.S. Supreme Court." 2009. American Political Science Association in Toronto, Canada (with Richard W. Waterman and S. Andrew Martin).
27. "The Legitimacy of African Courts: A Cross-National Analysis." 2009. Southern Political Science Association in New Orleans, LA (with Wonbin Cho).
28. "State Supreme Courts and the Effects of Statutory Constraint: A Test of the Model of Contingent Discretion." 2009. Southern Political Science Association in New Orleans, LA (with Richard W. Waterman and Michael P. Fix).
29. "Litigant Success Rates and the Australian High Court." 2008. American Political Science Association, Boston, MA (with Reginald S. Sheehan).
30. "Presidential Rhetoric and the Judiciary." 2008. American Political Science Association, Boston, MA (with Richard W. Waterman and Jason Kehrberg).
31. "Public Trust in Courts as a Facilitating Mechanism in Democratization." 2008. Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL (with Michael P. Fix).
32. "State Supreme Courts and the Effects of Statutory Constraint." 2007. American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL (with Richard W. Waterman and Michael P. Fix).
33. "Strategic Anticipation in a Judicial Hierarchy." 2007. Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago.
34. "Author Meets Critic: A Review of *The Politics of Precedent* by Thomas Hansford and James Spriggs." 2007. Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA.
35. "Conducting Comparative Judicial Research." 2007. Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA.
36. "Statutory Influences on the U.S. Supreme Court: The Effects of Constraint and Discretion." 2006. American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA (with Richard W. Waterman).

37. "Fear of Reversal and Strategic Anticipation by Federal District Courts." 2006. American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA (with Kenneth L. Manning and Robert A. Carp).
38. "Political Control of the Supreme Court: The Splendid Myth of Judicial Independence." 2005. American Political Science Association, Washington, DC (with Richard W. Waterman).
39. "Institutional Viability and High Courts: A Comparative Analysis." 2005. Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL. (with Kirill Bumin and Lee D. Walker).
40. "Anticipatory Behavior on the U.S. Courts of Appeals." 2005. Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
41. "Let Freedom Ring? A Comparative Analysis of Public Confidence in National Legal Systems." 2005. Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA (with Lee Remington).
42. "Statutory Constraint and the Federal Judiciary." 2004. American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL (with Jeffrey A. Fine and Richard W. Waterman).
43. "Judicial Decision Making in U.S. Foreign Policy Litigation." 2004. Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA.
44. "The Hierarchy of Justice and U.S. District Courts in Foreign Policy Cases." 2003. American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA.
45. "Institutional Constraints, Foreign Affairs Litigation and the Federal Judiciary." 2003. Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
46. "The Resolution of Foreign Affairs Litigation in the U.S. Federal Courts." 2002. Southern Political Science Association, Savannah, GA.
47. "Foreign Policy Litigation in the U.S. Courts of Appeals." 2002. American Political Science Association, Boston, MA.
48. "Sequential Voting on the U.S. Supreme Court." 2002. Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL (with Reginald S. Sheehan, Kenneth C. Williams and Steve Haptonstahl).
49. "U.S. District Courts and the Adjudication of Foreign Policy Disputes." 2002. Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
50. "Measuring Judges' Ideologies on the U.S. Courts of Appeals." 2001. American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA (with Reginald S. Sheehan).
51. "Congressional Responses to the Supreme Court." 2001. American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA (with Jamie L. Carson).
52. "Judicial Independence in Eastern Europe and the Former Soviet Union." 2000. Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta GA (with Erik S. Herron).
53. "Assessing Ideological Asymmetry: The Impact of Identification on Issue Position." 2000. American Political Science Association, Washington, DC.

54. "Judicial Activism in Post-Communist States." 2000. Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL (with Erik S. Herron).
55. "Vote Fluidity on the Vinson and Warren Courts: Who Does It and Why?" 1999. American Political Science Association, Atlanta, GA (with Reginald S. Sheehan).
56. "Who Wins on Appeal in Foreign Policy Cases?" 1999. Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago.
57. "Party Identification on the U.S. Courts of Appeals: Change Over Time." 1996. Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, GA (with Donald R. Songer).
58. "Defender of Democracy or Champion of National Security: The Courts and U.S. Foreign Policy." 1996. International Studies Association – South, Roanoke, VA (with David B. Cohen).

HONOR SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS

Omicron Delta Kappa, National Leadership Honor Society, 2013.
 Phi Beta Kappa National Honor Society, 1992.
 Golden Key National Honor Society, 1992.
 Gamma Beta Phi National Honor Society, 1992.
 Pi Kappa Lambda National Music Honor Society, 1991.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Association of University Professors
 American Political Science Association
 Law and Courts Section, APSA
 Political Methodology Section, APSA
 International Political Science Association
 Comparative Judicial Research Committee, IPSA
 Midwest Political Science Association
 National Education Association
 Southern Political Science Association
 Western Political Science Association

DISSERTATION COMMITTEES

1. Chandler Case, chair (expected completion May 2026).
2. Abigail Hassett, chair 2025 (current position: Transylvania University).
3. Madison Shanks, chair 2024 (current position: GoodUnited, Inc.).
4. Rahul Hemrajani, chair 2023 (current position: National Law School, India).
5. Tony Hobert, chair 2023 (current position: Winthrop University).
6. Stephanie Davis, chair 2020 (current position: University of Arkansas at Little Rock).
7. Monica Lineberger, chair 2019 (current position: University of Wisconsin, Whitewater).
8. TJ Kimel, chair 2019 (current position: Midlands Technical College).
9. Yuleng Zeng, member 2019 (current position: University of Groningen).

10. Joe Neary, member 2018 (current position: University of Louisville).
11. Ali Masood, chair 2018 (current position: Oberlin College).
12. Rebecca Reid, chair 2016 (current position: University of Texas at El Paso).
13. Charles Wu, member 2014 (current position: Hong Kong Baptist University).
14. Benjamin Kassow, member 2013 (current position: University of North Dakota).
15. Matthew Shaffer, member 2013 (current position: Central Intelligence Agency).
16. Rhys Hester, member 2012 (criminal justice; current position: Appalachian State University).
17. Susanne Schorpp, co-chair 2011 (current position: Goldbelt C6, LLC).
18. Michael P. Fix, chair 2011 (current position: Georgia State University).
19. Elisha Savchak, member 2010 (current position: Elon College).
20. Raul Sanchez Urribarri, member 2010 (current position: La Trobe University in Melbourne Australia).
21. Kirill M. Bumin, chair 2009 (current position: Dean of Graduate Studies at Stonehill College).

UNDERGRADUATE MENTORING

Senior Honor's Thesis Committees

1. Dylan Dunn, chair of senior honor's thesis 2026.
2. Connor Clark, chair of senior honor's thesis 2026.
3. Jeff Sidoti, chair of senior honor's thesis 2026.
4. London Patel, chair of senior honor's thesis 2026.
5. Tia Myers, chair of senior honor's thesis 2025.
6. Katherine Michaletz, chair of senior honor's thesis 2025.
7. Emily Rabon, member of senior honor's thesis 2025.
8. Paige McGrath, chair of senior honor's thesis 2024.
9. Ben Jamison, member of senior honor's thesis 2024.
10. Samantha Moran, member of senior honor's thesis 2024.
11. Mason Luff, chair of senior honor's thesis 2021.
12. Emily McBryde, chair of senior honor's thesis 2021.

13. Ella McElwaine, member of senior honor's thesis 2021.
14. Kay O'Connor, chair of senior honor's thesis 2019.
15. Rebecca Bradley, chair of senior honor's thesis 2017.
16. Sydney Cutter, chair of senior honor's thesis 2017.
17. Emily Fordice, chair of senior honor's thesis 2017.
18. Cassidy Mills, chair of senior honor's thesis 2017.
19. Kimberly Pilatovsky, chair of senior honor's thesis 2017.
20. Nicole Provax, member of senior honor's thesis 2017.
21. Sarah Cockcroft, member of senior honor's thesis 2017.
22. Helen Recaborde, chair of senior honor's thesis 2017.
23. Megan Stoddard, chair of senior honor's thesis 2017.
24. Nicole Wittstein, chair of senior honor's thesis 2017.
25. Ann-Marie Nunziata, chair of senior honor's thesis 2016.
26. Christian Flemming, chair of senior honor's thesis 2016.
27. Jonathan Kaufman, chair of senior honor's thesis 2016.
28. Devon Thurman, chair of senior honor's thesis 2014.
29. Kathryn Sullivan, chair of senior honor's thesis 2012.
30. Jim Manning, chair of senior honor's thesis 2011.
31. Paige Martineau, chair of senior honor's thesis 2010.
32. Kyle Warren, member of senior honor's thesis 2010.

Honor's College BARSC Committees

1. Blakely Hardin (graduated in May 2024).
2. Bennett Lunn (graduated in May 2020).
3. Nicole Wittstein (graduated in May 2017).
4. Devon Thurman (graduated in May 2014).

Independent Research Projects and Magellan Grant Recipients

1. Arya Gupta, "The Global Impact of Political Corruption." 2025.

2. Carsen Malloy, "Internship Experience with the Department of Homeland Security." 2024.
3. Ryann Howard, "Publicly Funded Healthcare vs. Mixed Healthcare Systems in Regard to Covid-19 Responses." 2024.
4. Ashley Galvin, "Leadership Reflection." 2019.
5. Tiffany Galloway, "Universal Jurisdiction and Impunity Case Studies." 2018.
6. Caroline Westberg, "Women LEAD." 2016.
7. Cassidy Mills, "Migration Policy and the Clash of Civilizations." 2016.
8. Christopher Santos, "Reverse Monitoring: Supreme Court Remands and Subsequent Responses by the U.S. Courts of Appeals." 2016.
9. Madison Bailey, "An Analysis of the International Courts and Their Effectiveness." 2015.
10. Lauren Goetzinger, "'N Persoonlike Reis van Leierskap in Suid-Afrika: A Personal Journey of Leadership in South Africa." 2014.
11. Meghan Conroy, "Al-Zarqaei's Legacy for Insurgency in Iraq." 2013.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Director of the Songer Project for Research in Law and Courts (Songer project)

- Maintain project website (www.songerproject.org)
- Update electronic archive of judicial datasets
- Consult with individuals about empirical research questions

Editorial Board Appointments

- Routledge Press Law and Court Series, 2011-present.
- *Research and Politics*, 2013-present.
- *Justice System Journal*, 2010-2022.

American Political Science Association

- Chair of the Edward S. Corwin Dissertation Award Committee, 2025-2026.

Law & Courts Section of the American Political Science Association

- Chair of the *Law & Courts Section*, 2019-2020.
- Chair-Elect of the *Law & Courts Section*, 2018-2019.
- Editor of the *Law & Courts Newsletter*, 2010-2013.
- Member of the Executive Committee, 2009-2011.
- Chair of the Teaching and Mentoring Award Committee, 2017.
- Chair of the Service Award Committee, 2010.
- Member of the Best Journal Article Award Committee, 2009.
- Member of the Nominating Committee, 2005.

Southern Political Science Association

- President Elect, 2025-2026.
- Vice President and Program Chair, 2023-2024.

- Chair of the Membership Committee, 2021-2022.
- Chair of Search Committee for the Editor of *Journal of Politics*, 2019-2020.
- Member of Search Committee for Editor of *Journal of Politics*, 2022-2023.
- Member of the Executive Council, January 2016 – 2019.

Midwest Political Science Association

- Member of the Westview Press Award Committee, 2013.

Academic Conference Service

- Judicial Politics Section Chair, Southern Political Science Association, 2009 and 2013.
- Panel Chair and Discussant for the American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, and Southern Political Science Association.

National Science Foundation

- Member of CAREER panel, 2022-2023.

Departmental Program Reviews

- Virginia Commonwealth University, 2022.

Reviewer Service

Peer-Reviewed Journals

- *American Political Science Review*
- *American Journal of Political Science*
- *African Journal of Political Science*
- *American Politics Review*
- *Comparative Political Studies*
- *European Political Science Review*
- *European Journal of Political Science*
- *Democratization*
- *Education Research Journal*
- *Foreign Policy Analysis*
- *International Political Science Review*
- *Irish Political Studies*
- *Journal of Law and Courts*
- *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization*
- *Journal of Peace Research*
- *Journal of Politics*
- *Journal of Public Administration, Research, and Theory*
- *Journal of Theoretical Politics*
- *Justice System Journal*
- *Law & Policy*
- *Law and Social Inquiry*
- *Law & Society Review*
- *Political Analysis*
- *Political Behavior*
- *Political Research Quarterly*
- *Political Science Research and Methods*
- *Politics, Groups, and Identities*
- *Publius*
- *Research and Politics*
- *Social Science Quarterly*

- *Social Science Journal*
- *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*
- *West European Politics*

Grant Agencies

- National Science Foundation

University and Commercial Presses

- Cengage Press
- CQ Press
- Oxford University Press
- Routledge Press
- Roxbury Press
- Sage Press
- Stanford University Press
- University of Chicago Press
- University of Michigan Press

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

University of South Carolina – University Service

Serve as the ‘Voice of the Carolina Band’ 2011-present.

University Commencement Announcer, 2017-present.

Walker Pharmacy Leadership Scholars Advisory Board, 2014-present.

Rule of Law Collaborative Fellow, 2010-present.

USC Graduate Council, 2024-present.

- Member of the Committee on Science, Math, Engineering, and Health Sciences, 2024-2025.
- Chair Graduate Policy Committee, 2025-2026.

Top Scholars Interview, 2018-present.

Pearce Faculty Fellow in the Honors College, 2025-2027.

Director of the Carolina Leadership Initiative, 2013-2016.

Faculty Senate Member 2018-2020 and 2025-present.

Truman Fellows Awards Committee Member, 2015-2022 and 2024-present.

Study Abroad Office Faculty Services Committee, 2016-2022.

Friends of the School of Music Board Member, 2010-2016.

SPARC Graduate Research Fellowship Selection Committee, 2013.

First Year Reading Experience Facilitator, 2013.

Reviewer for the Carnegie Junior Fellows Program, 2008.

University of South Carolina – McCausland College of Arts and Sciences Service

Walker Institute for International and Area Studies Affiliate Member, 2008-present.

Center for American Civic Leadership and Public Discourse Advisory Committee Member, 2025-present.

Dean’s Council Member, 2024-present.

University of South Carolina – Departmental Service

Department Chair, 2019-2024.

Director of Graduate Studies, 2017-2019.

Chair of the Judicial Politics/Public Law Search Committee, 2025.

Member of the Chair Search Committee, 2015.

Graduate Placement Director, 2010-2013 and 2024-present.

Member of the Graduate Committee 2010-2016, 2017-2019 and 2024-present.

Member of the International Relations Search Committee, 2009 and 2012.

Member of the International Relations/Comparative Politics of China Search Committee, 2011.
Member of the Advisory Committee, 2008-2010, 2013-2015, and 2015-2017.
Member of the Committee on Minority Recruitment, 2008-2019.

Presentation, “The Academic Job Market.” Graduate Student Professionalization Seminar, September 2024.
Presentation, “Say What? Tips for Effective Public Speaking.” Graduate Student Professionalization Seminar, September 9, 2022.
Presentation, “Say What? Tips for Effective Public Speaking.” Graduate Student Professionalization Seminar, November 2017.
Presentation, “Say What? Tips for Effective Public Speaking.” Graduate Student Professionalization Seminar, October 2014.
Presentation, “Professional Conference Participation.” Graduate Student Professionalization Seminar, October 2013.
Presentation, “Checking the Courts: Law, Ideology, and Contingent Discretion.” Political Science Research Workshop, March 2011.
Presentation, “The Current Job Market.” Graduate Student Professionalization Seminar, October 2010.
Presentation, “The EITM Experience.” Graduate Student Professionalization Seminar, December 2010.
Presentation, “Job Talks 101.” Graduate Student Professionalization Seminar, September 2008.
Guest Lecturer, “Individual Liberty and National Security at Guantanamo Bay” for POLI 406 – the State of American Politics, September 4, 2008.

University of Kentucky – Departmental Service

Member of the Graduate Committee, 2003-2006.
Organizer of the Departmental Presentation Series, 2004 -2008.
Presentation, “Statutory Influences on the Supreme Court: The Effects of Constraint and Facilitation,” 2006.
Presentation, “Publishing the Dissertation.” Graduate Student Professionalization Series, 2005.
Presentation, “Judicial Decision Making in Foreign Policy Litigation,” 2004.
Presentation, “The Job Market.” Graduate Student Professionalization Seminar, 2003.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

National:

Kappa Kappa Psi, National Honorary Band Fraternity

- *Chair, Board of Trustees* (responsibilities include managing the commercial and business aspects of a national organization), 2007-2009.
- *Vice Chair, Board of Trustees* (responsibilities include managing the commercial and business aspects of a national organization), 2005-2007.
- *Member, Board of Trustees* 2003-2013.
- *National President* (responsibilities include supervising a staff of five, monitoring and developing programs for 4,000 undergraduates, and operating a \$600,000 budget), 2001-2003.
- *National Vice President for Colonization and Membership* (responsibilities include monitoring progress of 170 chapters across the United States), 1999-2001.
- *National Vice President for Programs* (responsibilities include creating a leadership development program for 4,000 undergraduate members), 1997-1999.
- *National Vice President for Student Affairs* (responsibilities include developing educational programs for 4,000 undergraduate members), 1995-1997.

Columbia, SC:

University Presentations

- “Mutual Expectations and Free Speech.” Carolina Experience, October 2024.
- “Nonprofit Organizations and the Arts.” Guest lecture for School of Music, September 2024.
- “The Politicization of the U.S. Supreme Court.” Presented for Constitution Day, September 2024.

- “Leadership in 3D.” College of Pharmacy, September 2024.
- “Leadership in 3D.” Carolina Band, August 2024.
- “Founding Documents Online Modules.” College of Arts and Sciences. March 2024.
- “Leadership in 3D” Freshmen Fellowship Foundations. February 2023.
- “Leadership in 3D” Freshmen Fellowship Foundations. January 2022.
- “Say What? Tips for Effective Public Speaking.” Graduate School. March 2021.
- “USC Voiceover for Phone System.” March 2021.
- “Leadership in 3D.” USC Center for Child and Family Studies, January 2017.
- “Public Speaking and Leadership.” USC Truman Award Candidates, November, 2016.
- “Alternatives to Law School.” Phi Alpha Delta, November, 2016.
- “Leadership in 3D.” Alpha Tau, November, 2016.
- “Successfully Managing Conflict.” University Ambassadors, October, 2016.
- “Leadership in Music.” Kappa Kappa Psi, October, 2016.
- “Successfully Managing Conflict.” Bates House Resident Mentors, October, 2016.
- “The US Constitution.” Leadership and Service Center, September, 2016.
- “Leadership and Conflict Management.” Carolina Band Leadership Team. August, 2016.
- “Leadership in 3D.” Pillars at Carolina, July, 2016.
- “Leadership in 3D.” USC Women’s Leadership Institute. April, 2016.
- “Say What? Tips for Effective Speaking.” Sustainable Carolina. April, 2016.
- “Leadership in 3D.” Carolina Judicial Council. March, 2016.
- “Public Speaking and Leadership.” USC Truman Award Candidates, December, 2015.
- “Leadership in 3D.” USC Resident Mentors Leadership Retreat, November, 2015.
- “Leadership in 3D.” Emerging Leaders Program, October, 2015.
- “Successfully Managing Conflict.” USC Resident Mentors, August, 2015.
- Delivered keynote address on leadership to Pillars at Carolina, July, 2015.
- “Leadership in 3D.” USC Student Leadership and Diversity Conference, February, 2015.
- “Alternatives to Law School.” Presented to Phi Alpha Delta, November 20, 2013.
- Delivered keynote address to the induction ceremony for Omicron Delta Kappa, November 10, 2013.
- “The Carolina Leadership Initiative.” Presented for the USC Undergraduate Studies Forum, November 6, 2013.
- “Leadership in 3D.” Presented to the USC Freshman Student Council, October 22, 2013.
- “Learning to Lead.” Presented to Alpha Lambda Delta, October 21, 2013.
- “Teaching Leadership to Undergraduates.” Presented to the Center for Teaching Excellence’s Oktoberfest, October 11, 2013.
- “Leadership in 3-D.” Presented to Sustainable Carolina, October 3, 2013.
- “Issues in Leadership.” Presented to Omicron Delta Kappa, October 2, 2013.
- Delivered keynote address to the USC Student Life retreat, August 2, 2013.
- Delivered keynote address on leadership to Pillars of Carolina, July 17, 2013.
- “The Carolina Leadership Initiative.” Presented for the USC Undergraduate Studies Forum, April, 2013.
- “Leadership in 3-D.” Presented to the USC Student Leadership and Diversity Conference, February 2, 2013.
- “Successfully Managing Conflict.” Presented to the USC EMPOWER seminar, April 9, 2012.
- “Teaching Leadership Panel Discussion.” Presented for the USC Center for Teaching Excellence, February 29, 2012.
- “Successfully Managing Conflict.” Presented to the USC Student Leadership and Diversity Conference, February 4, 2012.
- “Leadership in 3-D.” Presented to the USC Leadership Scholars, January 23, 2012.
- “Integrated Learning is Leadership.” Presented for the USC Center for Teaching Excellence, September 8, 2011.

- “Counter Terror with Justice: Accountability for Torture and Abuse.” Roundtable discussion on the use of torture during the ‘war on terror’. Presented for the USC chapter of Amnesty International, April 15, 2009.
- “Balancing the Constitution: Security, Liberty, and the Challenge of Guantanamo Bay.” Presented for the USC Constitution Day Lecture, September 17, 2008.

Local Presentations and Media Contributions

- “Demographic Changes and the Presidential Election.” Television interview for WLTX. November 6, 2024.
- “Election Night Coverage.” Television broadcast with SC ETV. November 5, 2024.
- “Presidents and Executive Orders.” Television interview for WCSC – Live 5 News. October 28, 2024.
- “Population Changes in SC and the Election.” Television interview for WCBD-TV/ECBD-TV. October 28, 2024.
- “The Carolina Band and the Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade.” Newspaper interview for Carolina News. October 28, 2024.
- “The 2024 Election and U.S. Economy.” Panel interview for the German American Chamber of Commerce, October 16, 2024.
- The Columbia Chamber of Commerce Annual Gala. Emcee for awards ceremony, October 2, 2024.
- “The 2024 Election.” Podcast with Derrick Pugh, September 28, 2024.
- “The Presidential Debate.” Television interview for WLTX News, September 11, 2024.
- “The Current DEI Bill in the State Legislature.” Newspaper interview for the *Daily Gamecock*, August 26, 2024.
- “The Current State of Politics.” Television interview for SC ETV. July 25, 2024.
- “Political Systems Quiz.” Presentation for Leadership Columbia. April 30, 2024.
- “South Carolina and the U.S. Elections 2024.” Television interview for Palmetto Politics and the Columbia World Affairs Forum. February 2024.
- “The Upcoming U.S. Election.” Radio interview for Voice of America. February 2, 2024.
- “The Presidential Primaries.” Television interview for WACH-Fox News. February 1, 2024.
- “The SC Primaries.” Newspaper interview for the *Daily Gamecock*. January 30, 2024.
- “The SC Primaries.” Online interview with CBS. January 26, 2024.
- “The SC Primaries.” Online interview with Scripps News. January 26, 2024.
- “The Upcoming Presidential Primary.” Television interview with WLTX. January 23, 2024.
- “The Upcoming Presidential Primary.” Online interview with Newsweek. January 19, 2024.
- “The Upcoming Presidential Primary.” Television interview with WLTX. January 19, 2024.
- “The SC Primary.” Newspaper interview with *Daily Gamecock*. January 19, 2024.
- “The 30th Anniversary of the Koger Center.” Television interview with WIS. January 9, 2024.
- “State Abortion Bans.” Newspaper interview with CBS News, October 20, 2023.
- “Nikki Haley’s Candidacy” Newspaper interview with Newsweek, October 5, 2023.
- “Update on SC and National Politics.” Television interview with SC ETV. September 28, 2023.
- “Judicial Appointments.” Newspaper interview with Associated Press. July 3, 2023.
- “Update on SC Politics” Television interview with SC ETV. June 15, 2023.
- “Political Systems Quiz.” Presentation for Leadership Columbia. May 2, 2023.
- “SC State Legislation.” Television interview with WOLO. April 4, 2023.
- “Election Night Coverage.” Television interview with SC ETV. November 8, 2022.
- “Hope After Grief.” Podcast with Sydney Ford. September 16, 2022.
- “*Dobbs* Decision.” Newspaper interview with *Daily Gamecock*. July 11, 2022.
- “Supreme Court’s Decision in *Dobbs*.” Television interview with WLTX. July 8, 2022.
- “Supreme Court End of Term.” Television interview with WIS TV. May 3, 2022.
- “Breyer Retirement and Replacement.” Television interview with SC ETV. February 3, 2022.
- “Judge Michelle Childs.” Television interview with 7 News. January 28, 2022.

- “Mayoral Runoff Forum” Emcee. November 8, 2021.
- Columbia Chamber of Commerce Annual Gala. Voice of God. October 7, 2021.
- “Security, Liberty, and the Constitution.” Presentation for Constitution Day. USC Upstate in Spartanburg, SC. September 17, 2021.
- “The Kavanaugh Hearing and Dr. Christine Blasey Ford’s Testimony.” Television interview for WACH-Fox 57 News, September 27, 2018.
- “Ninth Circuit Upholds Ban on Trump Immigration Policy.” Radio interview for the SC Radio Network, Columbia, SC, February 10, 2017.
- “Brain Drain or New Opportunity?” Newspaper interview for *The State*, Columbia, SC, January 28, 2017.
- “House Votes to Gut Ethics Commission.” Newspaper interview for the *Post and Courier*, Charleston, SC, January 3, 2017.
- “The Electoral College and Faithless Electors.” Television interview for WIS-TV, Columbia, SC, November 28, 2016.
- “Obama’s Nomination of Judge Merrick Garland.” Television interview for WIS-TV, Columbia, SC, March 17, 2016.
- “Merrick Garland’s Nomination.” Radio interview for WVOC, Columbia, SC, March 17, 2016.
- “The Legacy of Justice Scalia and Moving Forward After his Death.” Television interview for WLTX, Columbia, SC, February 16, 2016.
- “Justice Scalia’s Legacy.” Television interview for WIS-TV, Columbia, SC, February 13, 2016.
- “Ted Cruz Won Iowa, but Can He Win it All?” Interview with Broan Rosenthal and Dylan Baddour for the Palm Beach Post, February 3, 2016.
- “The Psychopathic Presidency.” Interview with Rachel Dean for the USC School of Journalism, September 20, 2012.
- “Importance of College.” Presentations to Seventh and Eighth Grade AVID Students at Blythewood Middle School, March 11, 2011.
- “The South Carolina Secretary of State.” Interview with Melanie Griffin for the USC School of Journalism, October 14, 2010.
- “Alvin Greene and Election Irregularities.” Film documentary interview for Jason G. Smith of Los Angeles, CA on September 24, 2010.
- “The Elena Kagan Confirmation.” Television interview for WHNS-TV 21 in Greenville, SC, June 28, 2010.
- “The Confirmation of Elena Kagan.” Television interview with Sara Jane Harris from WACH-TV 57, June 28, 2010.
- “The Supreme Court’s Decision in *McDonald v. Chicago*.” Television interview with Sara Jane Harris from WACH-TV 57, June 28, 2010.
- “The Unconstitutionality of the U.S. Dollar?” Interview with Kimberly Johnson of AOL News, February 19, 2010.
- “Evaluation of the President’s State of the Union Address.” Interview for the USC School of Journalism, January 28, 2010.
- “The SC Supreme Court’s Ruling on the Economic Stimulus.” Interview with Nick Needham from SCNow.com, June 5, 2009.
- “Governor Sanford and the Lawsuit over the Economic Stimulus.” Interview with Michael Wukela from WACH-TV 57, June 1, 2009.
- “The Confirmation of Sonia Sotomayor to the U.S. Supreme Court.” Radio interview for ETV Radio, May 26, 2009.
- “Civil Liberties and National Security in the ‘War on Terror.’” Television interview for *Newswatch* with David Stanton, WIS-TV. September 7, 2008.
- “The Legalities of the ‘War on Terror.’” Radio interview with Frenché Brewer, USC Media Relations, for Carolina Minutes, September 17, 2008.

Carolina Jazz Xperience

- President (responsibilities include managing business aspects of a 501(c)3 organization), 2022-present.

Lexington, KY:

Local Media Contributions

- “Q&A with Kirk Randazzo.” November 5, 2006. *The State Journal* (Frankfurt, KY).
- WEKU Radio Interview with Stu Johnson. “Questions Concerning Immigration Policy.” May 15, 2006.
- Quoted in the *Courier-Journal* (Louisville, KY). April 17, 2006. Article concerning recent ranking of U.S. Senators.

Bluegrass Area Jazz Association

- Vice President (responsibilities include managing the business aspects of a non-profit music association), 2006-2008.
- Member, Board of Trustees (responsibilities include managing the business aspects of a non-profit music association), 2005-2008.

NON-POLITICAL SCIENCE ACTIVITIES

Publications:

1. *The Founder’s Circle: Leadership Curriculum*. 2019. Kappa Kappa Psi National Honorary Band Fraternity. Copyright listed at the Kappa Kappa Psi National Headquarters, Stillwater, OK.
2. “Leadership Symposia Curriculum.” 2005. Kappa Kappa Psi National Honorary Band Fraternity. Copyright listed at the Kappa Kappa Psi National Headquarters, Stillwater, OK.
3. “The Next Phase of Leadership.” 2004. *The Podium* a publication of Kappa Kappa Psi National Honorary Band Fraternity. Copyright listed at the Kappa Kappa Psi National Headquarters, Stillwater, OK.
4. “From the President’s Corner.” 2002. *The Podium* a publication of Kappa Kappa Psi National Honorary Band Fraternity. Copyright listed at the Kappa Kappa Psi National Headquarters, Stillwater, OK.
5. “Strategic Planning at the Chapter Level.” 2002. *The Podium* a publication of Kappa Kappa Psi National Honorary Band Fraternity. Copyright listed at the Kappa Kappa Psi National Headquarters, OK, Oklahoma.
6. “The Forrest Gump Style of Leadership.” 2001. *The Podium* a publication of Kappa Kappa Psi National Honorary Band Fraternity. Copyright listed at the Kappa Kappa Psi National Headquarters, Stillwater, OK.
7. *Membership Education Teaching Manual*. 2001. Kappa Kappa Psi National Honorary Band Fraternity. Copyright listed at the Kappa Kappa Psi National Headquarters, Stillwater, OK.
8. “Fraternities, Sororities and the Law.” 1999. *The Podium* a publication of Kappa Kappa Psi National Honorary Band Fraternity. Copyright listed at the Kappa Kappa Psi National Headquarters, Stillwater, OK.
9. *The Guide to Leadership Development*. 1997. Kappa Kappa Psi National Honorary Band Fraternity. Copyright listed at the Kappa Kappa Psi National Headquarters, Stillwater, OK.

Presentations:

1. University of Central Florida Marching Band Leadership Team. Orlando, FL. August 2025.
2. Kappa Kappa Psi National Convention. Lexington, KY. July 2025.
3. Kappa Kappa Psi Founders' Circle Speakers Training. Charlotte, NC. May 2025.
4. Kappa Kappa Psi Western District Convention. Tempe, AZ. April 2025.
5. Tuskegee Marching Band Leadership Team. Virtual Presentation. July 2024.
6. Southern Palmetto Chamber of Commerce Leadership Academy. Barnwell, SC. January – June 2024.
7. Piedmont Technical College Leadership Coaching. Greenwood, SC. September – May 2023 – 2024.
8. Kappa Kappa Psi Southeast District Convention. Raleigh, NC. March 2024.
9. Leadership Salkehatchie. Columbia, SC. February 2024.
10. Befesa Zinc Inc. Barnwell, SC. December 2023.
11. Girl Scouts of the Midlands. Columbia, SC. November 2023.
12. Carolina Band. Columbia, SC. August 2023.
13. Piedmont Technical College. Greenwood, SC. April 2023.
14. Piedmont Technical College. Greenwood, SC. March 2023.
15. Leadership Salkehatchie. Columbia, SC. January 2023.
16. Piedmont Technical College. Greenwood, SC. November 2022.
17. Richland School District 2. Columbia, SC. August 2022.
18. Carolina Band, Columbia, SC. August 2022.
19. SC Technical Systems Leadership Program. September 2021-May 2022.
20. Kappa Kappa Psi Northeast District Convention. Wilmington, DE. March 2022.
21. Leadership Salkehatchie. Columbia, SC. January. 2022.
22. Piedmont Technical College Strategic Planning. Greenwood, SC. August 2021-January 2022.
23. Richland School District 2. Columbia, SC. August 2021.
24. Carolina Band. Columbia, SC. August 2021.
25. University of Louisville. Louisville, KY. July 2021.

26. Kappa Kappa Psi National Convention. Grand Rapids, MI. July 2021.
27. Kappa Kappa Psi Southeast District Convention in Charleston, SC. April 2018.
28. Kappa Kappa Psi Western District Convention in Fresno, CA. April 2018.
29. Growing Home Southeast Leadership Retreat in Columbia, SC. February 2018.
30. Lexington County Democratic Party in Lexington, SC. February 2018.
31. SC Chamber of Commerce in Columbia, SC. February 2018.
32. Leadership Salkehatchi in Columbia, SC. January 2018.
33. Kappa Kappa Psi North Central District Leadership Conference in Ypsilanti, MI. January 2018.
34. YMCA of Columbia Leadership Training in Columbia, SC. October 2017.
35. USC College of Pharmacy Leadership Seminar in Columbia, SC. October 2017.
36. Leadership Salkehatchie in Allendale, SC. September 2017.
37. South Carolina Chamber of Commerce Lunch and Learn in Columbia, SC. August 2017.
38. Claflin University Leadership and General Education Training in Orangeburg, SC. August 2017.
39. SC Technical Schools Leadership Training in Denmark, SC. August 2017.
40. Kappa Kappa Psi National Convention in Orlando, FL. July 2017.
41. Columbia Chamber of Commerce Pecha Kucha Event. May 2017.
42. Kappa Kappa Psi Midwest District Convention in Ames, IA. April 2017.
43. Kappa Kappa Psi Southwest District Convention in Stillwater, OK. March 2017.
44. South Carolina Pharmacy Association, Girls' Leadership Weekend, Asheville, NC. January 2017.
45. YMCA Southeastern Leadership Retreat, Asheville, NC. January 2017.
46. Leadership Columbia, Columbia, SC. November 2016.
47. LeadSC Young Professional Conference. Columbia, SC. September 2016.
48. Leadership Columbia, Columbia, SC. September 2016.
49. USC Salkehatchie Leadership Institute, Walterboro, SC. September 2016.
50. Long's Drugs Leadership Retreat, Columbia, SC. August 2016.

51. SC Lowcountry Leadership for Elected Officials. June 2016.
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53. Long's Drugs Leadership Retreat. Neeses, SC. February 2016.
54. YMCA Southeastern Leadership Retreat, Asheville, NC. January 2016.
55. USC Salkehatchie Leadership Institute, Allendale, SC. November 2015.
56. South Carolina Promise Zone, October 2015.
57. Kappa Kappa Psi National Convention, Lexington, KY. August 2015.
58. Pharmacy Leadership Summit, Columbia, SC. May 2015.
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60. South Carolina Association of Fundraising Professionals, Columbia, SC. February 2015.
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62. Columbia Opportunity Resource, Columbia, SC. February 2014.
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64. South Carolina Association of Countywide Elected Executives, Charleston, SC. August 2013.
65. Kappa Kappa Psi Western District Convention, Flagstaff, AZ. March 2012.
66. Kappa Kappa Psi Leadership Symposium, Lexington, KY. July 2010.
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