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CURRICULUM VITAE

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1) CONTACT INFORMATION

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1.1) EDUCATION

Ph.D. Political Science, University of Minnesota, 2007
Major Fields: American Politics and Political Methodology
Minor Field: Political Psychology
Dissertation: *Elite Framing and Supreme Court Decision Making*

M.A. Political Science, University of Mississippi, 2002
Major Field: American Politics
Thesis: *Temporal Trends in Party Affect*

B.A. Political Science and Criminal Justice, St. Cloud State University, 2000.
Criminal Justice Thesis: *Analysis of Caseload Management For Criminal Cases in Stearns County.*

1.2) EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Kentucky. Fall 2007-Present

Instructor, Department of Political Science, University of Minnesota. Summer 2007

1.3) FIELDS OF INTEREST

American & Judicial Politics: Courts, Judicial Behavior and Decision Making, Civil Rights and Liberties, Constitutional Law, Separation of Powers, Public Opinion, Political Psychology, Participation and Voting Behavior, Introduction to American Government.

Political Methodology: Survey Research, Research Design, Introduction to Quantitative Research

2) SCHOLARSHIP & RESEARCH ACTIVITY

2.1) JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

“Pardon the Interruption: An Empirical Analysis of Supreme Court Justices’ Behavior During Oral Arguments” with Timothy R. Johnson and Ryan C. Black. Forthcoming. *Loyola Law Review*

“People Who Have Their Tickets But Do Not Use Them: ‘Motor Voter,’ Turnout, and Registration Revisited” with Robert D. Brown. (2006) *American Politics Research* (formerly *American Politics Quarterly*) 34(4):479-504.

“Perceptions and Experiences of Gender Fairness in Mississippi Courts” with John W. Winkle III. (2003) *Judicature* 87:126-134.

2.2) OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Book Review of *Public Opinion and the Rehnquist Court*, by Thomas R. Marshall for *Law and Politics Book Review* Vol. 18 No. 8 (August); 729-733. Published by the Law and Courts Section of the American Political Science Association.

<http://www.bsos.umd.edu/gvpt/lpbr/subpages/reviews/marshall0808.htm>

Book Review of *The Final Arbiter: The Consequences of Bush v. Gore for Law and Politics*, edited by Christopher P. Banks, David B. Cohen, and John C. Green, for *Law and Politics Book Review Vol. 18 No.1 (January, 2008)*: 76-79. Published by the Law and Courts Section of the American Political Science Association.

<http://www.bsos.umd.edu/gvpt/lpbr/subpages/reviews/banks0108.htm>

2.3) MANUSCRIPTS CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW OR BEING REVISED

“Supreme Court Litigants and Strategic Framing” Revised and resubmitted at the *American Journal of Political Science*

“The Solicitor General, Oral Argument Signals, and Supreme Court Decision Making” with Timothy R. Johnson and Sarah A. Treul. Under review.

“Accounting for Temporal Trends in Party Affect: Negativity versus Neutrality” with Harvey D. Palmer. Under review.

“Explaining Non-Preferential Voting Among Justices: Precedent and Social-Legal Backgrounds” Under review.

“A Multi-Method Approach to Measuring Issue Frames in Legal Texts” Under review.

“Issue Framing on the U.S. Supreme Court: Ideology, Policy, and Judicial Choice.”

“Getting in the Last Word: The Usage and Impact of Oral Argument Rebuttals on the U.S. Supreme Court.” with Ryan Black.

“Cognition and Decision Making of U.S. Supreme Court Justices”

"Do U.S. Supreme Court Justices Think Differently? The Relationship between Ideology and Cognition."

2.4) ONGOING RESEARCH PROJECTS

Oral Arguments and the Process of Coalition Formation on the U.S. Supreme Court. This is a book project with Timothy R. Johnson and Ryan Black that examines coalition formation on the U.S. Supreme Court.

“The Value of the Written and Spoken Word: Framing, Briefs, and Oral Arguments”

“Exploring Emotion and Cognition on the U.S. Supreme Court.”

2.5) GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

Thesis Research Grant funded in part by the University of Minnesota class of 1890 from the Graduate School at the University of Minnesota (Spring 2007). Purpose: Provide funds necessary to visit archives of former Supreme Court Justice Lewis F. Powell at Washington & Lee University School of Law in Lexington, VA.

Dissertation Research Improvement Grant (Spring 2006) from the Center for the Study of Political Psychology (U of Minnesota). Purpose: Provide funds necessary to perform research at the archives of former Supreme Court Justice Lewis F. Powell at Washington & Lee University School of Law in Lexington, VA.

Graduate Research Partnership Program Fellowship (GRPP) (Summer 2005). College of Liberal Arts (U of Minnesota). With Timothy R. Johnson. Title: *Coalition Formation on the U.S. Supreme Court.*

Content Analysis Research Group (Spring 2005) from the Center for the Study of Political Psychology. Purpose: Co-recipient to purchase content analysis software program – Crawdad 1.1 – and a two year license (U of Minnesota).

Dissertation Research Improvement Grant (Spring 2005) from the Center for the Study of Political Psychology (U of Minnesota). Purpose: Provide funds necessary to perform research at the Library of Congress manuscript reading room to examine the case files of Supreme Court justices William J. Brennan and Harry A Blackmun.

Administrative Fellowship, Center for the Study of Political Psychology (Fall 2004-Summer 2005) (Tuition & Stipend) (U of Minnesota).

Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship in Politics, University of Minnesota Graduate School (2002-2006-distributed over 4 summers).

2.6) AWARDS

2005-6 American Politics Spring Colloquium Coordinator, Political Science, University of Minnesota (Co-recipient of Award given by American Politics Faculty to the most promising graduate student(s) in American Politics).

Pi Sigma Alpha Award for the *overall best paper* presented at the 2002 Southwestern Political Science Association meeting (New Orleans). “Understanding Temporal Trends in Party Affect: Negativity versus Neutrality” with Harvey D. Palmer. The paper was also recognized as a distinguished paper by the Southwestern Social Science Association.

2.7) PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND PAPERS

“Cognition and Decision Making of U.S. Supreme Court Justices.” Paper presented at the 2009 national meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago (April 2-5, 2009).

“Pardon the Interruption: Understanding the Exchanges Among U.S. Supreme Court Justices During Oral Arguments.” Paper presented at the Loyola University Law Review’s Symposium on the Judiciary’s Tug of War with Technology (March 13, 2009, New Orleans), with Timothy R. Johnson and Ryan C. Black.

“Do U.S. Supreme Court Justices Think Differently? The Role of Cognition in Decision Making.” Paper presented at the 2009 national meeting of the Southern Political Science Association in New Orleans, January 2009.

“Oral Arguments and the Process of Coalition Formation on the U.S. Supreme Court.” Paper presented at the 2008 meeting of the American Political Science Association in Boston (September 2008), with Tim Johnson and Ryan Black.

“Exploring Emotion and Cognition on the U.S. Supreme Court.” Paper presented at the 2008 national meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, April 3-6.

“Getting in the Last Word: The Usage and Impact of Oral Argument Rebuttals on the U.S. Supreme Court,” with Ryan Black. Paper presented at the 2008 meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association in Las Vegas, March 12-15.

“The Supreme Court and Participant Strategies for Framing Issues.” Paper presented at the 2007 national meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, April 12-15.

“Issue Framing on the U.S. Supreme Court: Ideology, Policy, and Judicial Choice.” Poster/paper presented at the 2006 Minnesota Political Science Association Annual Conference meeting in St. Paul, MN, Nov. 11.

“Issue Framing on the U.S. Supreme Court.” Paper presented at the 2006 meeting of the American Political Science Association in Philadelphia, August 31-September 3.

“Issue Frames on the U.S. Supreme Court.” Paper presented at the 2006 Midwest Political Science Association meeting in Chicago, April 20-23.

“Precedential Votes and Strategic Behavior on the United States Supreme Court.” Paper presented at the 2005 Southern Political Science Association meeting in New Orleans, January 5-8.

“Measuring Public Opinion: Examining the Impact of Refusal Conversions and Callbacks on Data Quality” with Joanne M. Miller. Paper presented at 2004 Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, IL.

“The Harder We Try, The Worse It Gets? Examining the Impact of Hard-to-Reach and Initially Uncooperative Respondents on Data Quality” with Joanne M. Miller. Report #2 submitted to the Board of Overseers of the National Election Studies (January, 2004).

“The Impact of Refusal Conversions and Callbacks on Data Quality” with Joanne M. Miller. Presented at the 58th Annual meeting of the American Association Public Opinion Research in Nashville, TN (2003).

“People Who Have Their Tickets But Do Not Use Them: ‘Motor Voter,’ Registration, and Turnout Revisited” with Robert D. Brown. Paper presented at the 2003 Southwestern Political Science Association meeting in San Antonio.

“Accounting for Temporal Trends in Party Affect” with Harvey D. Palmer. Paper delivered at the 2002 Southern Political Science Association in Savannah, GA.

“Determinants of Party Competition in a Federal System” with Robert D. Brown and John M. Bruce. Paper presented at the 2002 Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, IL.

“Understanding Temporal Trends in Party Affect” with Harvey D. Palmer. Paper presented at the 2002 Southwestern Political Science Association meeting in New Orleans, LA.

“Perceptions of Gender Fairness in the Mississippi Courts” with John W. Winkle III. Paper presented at the 2001 Southern Political Science Association in Atlanta, GA.

2.8) OTHER RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

“Supreme Court Litigants and a Strategic Account of Framing.” Paper presented as part of faculty research presentations at the University of Kentucky, November 2007.

“SCSU Campus Safety: Findings of the Spring SCSU Survey.” Paper presented at the 2000 St. Cloud State University Student Research Colloquium in St. Cloud, MN.

3) TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Department of Political Science, University of Kentucky

Class: Judicial Politics (Fall 2007, Spring 2008, Fall 2008, Spring 2009)

Class: Constitutional Law: Institutional Powers and Constraints (Spring 2008)

Class: Introduction to Politics of Law and Courts (Fall 2008, Spring 2009, Summer 2009)

Class: Independent Study – “Psychology and Judging” (Spring 2009)

Department of Political Science, University of Minnesota

Class: Justice In America (Summer 2007)

Department of Political Science, University of Mississippi

Class: Introduction to American National Government (Summer 2001 & 2002).

4) PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS, SERVICE, & OTHER

4.1) PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

Conference II on Party Effects in the U.S. Senate – Assisted Jason Roberts in organizing a small conference hosted at the University of Minnesota (Fall 2006).

Journal Post Production Assistant- *Political Psychology* (Fall 2004-Summer 2005) - responsible for handling accepted manuscripts and corresponding between editors, authors, and copyeditor.

Political Methodology Conference – Assisted John Freeman and Samantha Luks in organizing and coordinating the summer methodology conference hosted at the University of Minnesota (Summer 2003).

4.2) SERVICE TO DISCIPLINE

Occasional Manuscript Reviewer:

American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, American Politics Research, Journal of Politics, Political Behavior, Political Psychology, Public Opinion Quarterly

Panel Discussant – 2007 Midwest Political Science Association. Panel Titled: “Measuring and Assessing The Impact of Judicial Preferences”

Panel Chair & Discussant – 2008 Southwestern Political Science Association. Panel Titled: “Constitutional Law & Jurisprudence”

Panel Chair – 2008 Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago. Panel titled: “The Court as Signaler?” Also served as partial discussant.

Panel Chair - 2008 American Political Science Association in Boston. Panel titled: “Public Opinion and the Courts.”

Panel Chair and Discussant at the 2009 Southern Political Science Association meeting in New Orleans. Panel titled: “External Influences on the U.S. Supreme Court.”

Panel Discussant at the 2009 Midwest Political Science Association meeting in Chicago. Panel titled: “Testing Influences on Supreme Court Decision Making.”

4.3) SERVICE TO DEPARTMENT

University of Kentucky

Department recorder (Fall 2007-Spring2008), Political Science department.

Member of the Undergraduate Work Committee, Political Science (Fall 2007-present).

Member of the Search committee for the Judicial Politics position (Fall 2008)

Speaker Dept. Colloquium “Graduate Student Conference Presentations” (Feb. 2009)

Co-Organized mentoring session entitled “Are you a Political Science Major Interested in law school???” on October 28, 2008 (with political science Advisors Emily Jasinski and Tricia Hargrove).

Moderated a presidential debate in PS101 class taught by Tricia Hargrove (November 3, 2008).

Gaines Senior Thesis Committee Member (Cara Childers, U of Kentucky, completed Spring 2008)

University of Minnesota

Faculty Recruitment and Hiring Committee. Graduate Student Representative. Department of Political Science (2005-2006).

4.4) PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT IN LEGAL FIELD

Stearns County Court Administration (St. Cloud, MN). 1999-2000. Assisted with caseload management, courtroom proceedings, and case processing. Internship (Summer 1999).

4.5) OTHER

Minnesota Public Radio – *Midmorning with Kerri Miller* – (February 27, 2006). *The Forum*, "The Crisis of Polling." Assisted Joanne M. Miller in administering surveys to the audience and analyzing results, which were later used during discussion.

Four year letter winner (1996-1999) St. Cloud State University football. Academic All-Conference (Fall 1999).

Former Member and Secretary of the undergraduate Pre-Law Association (St. Cloud State University).

5) REFERENCES

Available Upon Request