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Education

Ph.D., University of Wisconsin-Madison (1997)
M.A., University of Wisconsin-Madison (1992)
B.A., The Johns Hopkins University (1991, Honors, Phi Beta Kappa)

Dissertation

“Do Courts Matter?: State Supreme Courts and Public School Finance Reform in Texas, Kentucky, and North Dakota” (Joel B. Grossman, chair)

Teaching Experience

Professor, Winona State University, Fall 2006-current
Associate Professor, Winona State University, Fall 2002-Spring 2006.
Assistant Professor, Winona State University, Fall 1997-Spring 2002

- Constitutional Law
- Constitutional Politics
- Civil Rights and Civil Liberties
- Administrative Law
- Judicial Process and Politics
- The First Amendment
- Introduction to American Politics
- Introduction to Political Science
- Supervisor, Independent Study/Internship (multiple)

Lecturer, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Spring 1997.

- Legislative Internship
- Supervisor, Independent Study

Research Publications (Peer-Reviewed)

Courts as Catalysts: State Supreme Courts and Public School Finance Equity. 2001. Albany, NY: SUNY Press.

“Legislative Responses to Unconstitutionality: A View from the States.” 2017. *Journal of Law and Courts* 5 (2): 243-266.

“‘An Innate Sense of Fairness’: State Responses to the U.S. Supreme Court’s Sovereign Immunity Decisions.” 2006. *Publius: The Journal of Federalism* 36 (3): 393-420.

Working Papers, Conference Presentations, and Other Research Activities

“The Courts and Public School Funding Equity.” 2010. Paper commissioned by the Law, Policy and Society Program of Northeastern University as a Strategizing Public Policy Case Study.

“Legislative Responses to Unconstitutionality: Evidence from the State Level.” 2009. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Toronto, Canada.

“‘An Innate Sense of Fairness’: Minnesota’s Sovereign Immunity Waiver and the Politics of Rights,” 2003. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois.

“North Dakota.” Entry for *Legal Systems of the World*. 2002. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO.

“Right to Confront Witnesses.” Entry for the *Oxford Companion to American Law*. 2002. New York: Oxford University Press.

Chair and discussant on panel on state courts and public policy (Law and Courts division), 1999 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Atlanta, Georgia.

“We Want To Surrender... The Texas Supreme Court and Public School Finance Equity Reform.” 1998. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, Massachusetts.

"State Courts and Public School Finance" 1995. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois.

Discussant on panel on state courts and public policy (Law and Courts division), 1995 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois.

Reviewer, *Law and Society Review*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Political Science Quarterly*, *Publius*, *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*, State University of New York Press.

Awards Committee Member, Martha Derthick Best Book Award for the best book on federalism and intergovernmental relations at least ten years old, sponsored by the Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations Section of the American Political Science Association, 2010-2011.

University Service

Chair, CLASP Lecture Series Committee, Fall 2013-Spring 2016.

Coordinator, American Democracy Project at Winona State University, Spring 2006-Spring 2008, Spring 2010-Fall 2010.

Winona State Faculty Senate (twenty faculty elected university-wide), 2000-2004.

Co-founder and organizer, Winona State University Faculty Research Support Group (monthly research presentations by liberal arts faculty), September 1998-May 2001.

Various committee work including all-university committees and faculty search committees.

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