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EDUCATION

EMORY UNIVERSITY

*Ph.D.; Concentration: American Politics
Graduate Certificate in Women's Studies*

*Atlanta, GA
Expected Fall 2011*

Dissertation: "The Road (Not) Taken: Selection of Legal Rules on the U.S. Supreme Court"
Committee: Dr. Thomas Walker (chair); Dr. Michael Giles; Dr. Beth Reingold; Dr. Tom Clark

Comprehensive Exams Passed: Judicial Politics and Constitutional Law; Politics of Race and Gender (with distinction); Democratic Theory

Grants/Awards: National Science Foundation, Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant (SES-1023952; \$13,400); Emory University Dean's Teaching Fellowship (2010-2011); Professional Development Funds Grant (2006-2008; 2010)

Additional Training

ICPSR, University of Michigan
Introduction to Network Analysis; Maximum Likelihood Estimation
Mathematics for Social Scientists

*Ann Arbor, MI
Summer 2007; 2008*

University of Essex
Introduction to Maximum Likelihood Estimation
Mathematics for Social Science

*Colchester, England
Summer 2006*

DUKE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

Juris Doctor, magna cum laude (3.9 GPA)

*Durham, NC
2001*

Awards/ Honors: Order of the Coif; *Duke Law Journal*, Editorial Board; Family and Gender Law Academic Achievement Award; James S. Bidlake Memorial Writing Award; Certificate for Significant Pro Bono Contribution

WELLESLEY COLLEGE

B.A., Political Science, magna cum laude (3.9 GPA)

*Wellesley, MA
1995*

Awards/ Honors: Phi Beta Kappa; First Year Academic Distinction Award; Woodrow Wilson Award for Best Paper in Political Science; Wellesley-in-Washington Program

TEACHING & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

EMORY UNIVERSITY

Department of Political Science

Atlanta, GA
Fall 2005 - present

Instructor: Gender and the Law (Senior Seminar; Scheduled for Spring 2011)

Co-Teacher: Civil Liberties and Civil Rights (with Dr. Thomas Walker); American Legal Development (with Dr. Tom Clark); Gender and Politics (with Dr. Beth Reingold)

Teaching Assistant: American National Politics (with Dr. Michael Giles); American National Politics (with Dr. Alan Abramowitz)

Research Assistant: Dr. Tom Clark; Dr. Michael Giles; Dr. Thomas Walker; Dr. Beth Reingold

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA UPSTATE

Director, Center for Women's Studies and Programs

Instructor, Departments of Women's Studies & Political Science

Spartanburg, SC

2003-2005

2001-2005

Courses Taught: The Supreme Court in American Politics ; Gender and the Law; Gender and American Politics; Feminist Theory and Methods; Introduction to American Government; Introduction to Women's Studies

Awards/Honors: Doc's List (Student Government Award for Faculty Commitment to Students); Phi Kappa Phi

THE NATIONAL WOMEN'S LAW CENTER

Legal and Policy Researcher

Washington, D.C.

Summer 1998

THE WHITE HOUSE

Speechwriting Assistant, Office of the First Lady

Washington, D.C.

Summer 1994

SCHOLARSHIP

WORKING PAPERS

"The Politics of Pairings: Cosponsorship Behavior of Women and Minorities in the 105th Congress" (being prepared for journal submission)

"Jurisprudence and the Justices: The Interaction of Law and Ideology in Conflict Cases" (being prepared for journal submission)

"Friends or (Just) Acquaintances?: *Amicus Curiae*, Legal Rules, and the U.S. Supreme Court"

"The Policy or the Party? The Goals of *Amicus Curiae* in the U.S. Supreme Court" (with John Walson)

"Why Try: Examining Litigants' Decisions to Seek Hearings Before the U.S. Supreme Court (with Dr. Michael Giles and Dr. Thomas Walker)

"Their Eyes were Watching Me: Privacy in the Lives of Women of Color"

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“Jurisprudence and the Justices: The Interaction of Law and Ideology in Conflict Cases” Poster to be presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Washington, D.C., September, 2010

“The Politics of Pairings: Cosponsorship Behavior of Women and Minorities in the 105th Congress” Presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA, January 2007

“Changes in Women’s Political Representation in South Carolina: 1980 - 2003.” Presented at the National Women’s Studies Association Annual Conference. Milwaukee, WI, June 2004

“Changes in Women’s Political Representation in South Carolina: 1980 - 2003.” Presented at the GenderActs! Conference. Furman University, Greenville, SC, March 2004

“Where’s the Discomfort? Internalized and Imposed Discomfort and Empowerment in the Women’s Studies Classroom.” National Women’s Studies Association Annual Conference. New Orleans, LA June 2003

INVITED TALKS

Panel Discussion, “Courting a Revolution: Legal Aspects of *Brown v. Board of Education*.” Spartanburg Technical College, Spartanburg, SC. March 2004