

## Curriculum Vitae

### JEFFREY K. STATON

Department of Political Science  
Emory University  
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### EMPLOYMENT

Emory University  
Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, 2007-present  
Director of Graduate Admissions and Placement  
Florida State University  
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, 2004-2007  
Center for U.S.-Mexican Studies, UC San Diego  
Visiting Fellow, Fall 2003

### EDUCATION

New York University School of Law  
Post Doctoral Fellowship, 2002-2003  
Washington University in St. Louis  
Ph.D. in Political Science, August 2002  
Edward S. Corwin Award for best doctoral dissertation in public law, 2001-2002. Awarded by  
the American Political Science Association.  
Washington University in St. Louis  
M.A. in Political Science, May 1999  
University of Richmond  
B.A. in Political Science, May 1996

### BOOKS

Staton, Jeffrey K. 2010. *Judicial Power and Strategic Communication in Mexico*. New York: Cambridge University Press. (Honorable Mention, 2011 C. Herman Pritchett Award, Law and Courts Section, APSA)

### PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES

Lindstädt, Rene and Jeffrey K. Staton. Forthcoming. "Managing Expectations." *Journal of Theoretical Politics*.

Coppedge, Michael and John Gerring, with David Altman, Michael Bernard, Steven Fish, Allen Hicken, Matthew Kroenig, Staffan I. Lindberg, Kelly McMann, Pamela Paxton, Holli A. Semetko, Svend-Erik Skaaning, Jeffrey K. Staton, and Jan Teorell. 2011. "Conceptualizing and Measuring Democracy: A New Approach." *Perspectives on Politics* 9(2): 247-267.

Staton, Jeffrey K. and Will H. Moore. 2011. "Judicial Power in Domestic and International Politics." *International Organization* 65: 553-587.

- Staton, Jeffrey K. and Christopher Reenock. Forthcoming, 2010. "Substitutable Protections: Socioeconomic Insulation and Credible Commitment Devices." *Political Research Quarterly*.
- Powell, Emilia J. and Jeffrey K. Staton. 2009. "Domestic Judicial Institutions and Human Rights Treaty Violation." *International Studies Quarterly* 53: 149-174.
- Staton, Jeffrey K. and Georg Vanberg. 2008. "The Value of Vagueness: Delegation, Defiance, and Judicial Opinions." *American Journal of Political Science* 58 (3): 504-519.
- Staton, Jeffrey K., Robert A. Jackson and Damarys Canache. 2007. "Dual Nationality Among Latinos: What Are the Implications for Political-Connectedness?" *Journal of Politics* 69 (2): 470-482.
- Staton, Jeffrey K. 2006. "Constitutional Review and the Selective Promotion of Case Results." *American Journal of Political Science* 50 (January): 98-112.
- Meinke, Scott, Jeffrey K. Staton and Steve Wuhs. 2006. "State Delegate Selection Rules for Presidential Nominations, 1972-2000." *Journal of Politics* 68 (February): 180-193.
- Staton, Jeffrey K. 2004. "Judicial Policy Implementation in Mexico City and Mérida." *Comparative Politics* 37 (October): 41-60.

#### **PEER REVIEWED CHAPTERS**

- Helmke, Gretchen and Jeffrey K. Staton. 2010. "The Puzzle of Judicial Politics in Latin America: A Theory of Litigation, Judicial Decisions, and Inter-branch Conflict." In *Courts in Latin America*, Gretchen Helmke and Julio Ríos-Figueroa, Eds. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Staton, Jeffrey K. 2007. "Lobbying for Judicial Reform: The Role of the Mexican Supreme Court in Institutional Selection." In *Reforming the Administration of Justice in Mexico*, Eds. Wayne Cornelius and David A. Shirk. South Bend: Notre Dame University Press.  
*Spanish Version:* "Cabildeo por una reforma judicial: el papel de la Suprema Corte de Justicia mexicana en la selección institucional." Arturo Alvarado, Ed. *La Reforma de Justicia en México*. México: El Colegio de México.

#### **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

- Clark, Tom S. and Jeffrey K. Staton. 2011. "Challenges and Opportunities of Judicial Independence Research." *Law & Courts Newsletter*. 21 (2): 10-16.
- Staton, Jeffrey K. 2010. "A Comment on 'The Rule of Law Unplugged.'" *Emory Law Journal*. 59(6): 1495-1513.
- Ríos-Figueroa, Julio and Jeffrey K. Staton. 2009. "Summary: Unpacking the Rule of Law." *Comparative Politics Newsletter* 20 (1).
- Staton, Jeffrey K. 2009. "Shaping the Field? The Oxford Handbook of Law and Politics." *Law & Courts Newsletter*. 19 (1): 19-22.
- Staton, Jeffrey K. 2008. "Formal Theory in Comparative Judicial Politics." *Law & Courts Newsletter*. 18 (3): 10-15.

## GRANTS

### Awards:

National Science Foundation, Law and Social Sciences Program (SES-0751340)

“Collaborative Research: A Cross-National Study of Judicial Institutionalization and Influence” (Co-PI with Gretchen Helmke, Matthew Gabel, Andrew Martin, and Clifford Carrubba). April 2008 – April 2011. Budget: \$51,405.00.

Council on Research & Creativity, Cornerstone Grant, Florida State University

“Establishing a Center for The Study of Democratic Performance at Florida State University,” July 2007-July 2009. (William Berry is Principal Investigator; Co-PI with John Scholz, Charles Barrilleaux, HeeMin Kim, Cherie Maestas, Matthew Golder, Sona Golder, David Siegel and Mark Souva). Budget: \$10,000.00.

First Year Assistant Professor Grant, Florida State University.

“Judicial Public Relations and its Impact on Media Coverage” June 2004 – August 2004. Budget: \$13,000.00

### Under Development:

“Collaborative Research: A Cross-National Database Management System for Constitutional Decisions.” (Co-PI with Gretchen Helmke, Matthew Gabel, Andrew Martin, and Clifford Carrubba).

“Measuring Democracy: A Multidimensional, Tiered, and Historical Approach” (Co-PI with Michael Coppedge, John Gerring, Michael Bernhard, Jörgen Elklit, Steven Fish, Allen Hicken, Staffan Lindber, Kelly McMann, Pamela Paxton, Holli Semetko, Svend-Erik Skaaning and Jan Teorell).

## WORKING PAPERS AND PROJECTS IN PROGRESS

Ríos-Figueroa, Julio and Jeffrey K. Staton. 2011. “An Evaluation of Cross-National Measures of Judicial Independence.” Committee on Concepts and Measures Working Paper Series, International Political Science Association. URL: <http://www.concepts-methods.org>. *Under review*.

Staton, Jeffrey K., Christopher Reenock and Marius Radean. 2011. “Judicial Independence and Democratic Order.” *Under review*.

Linzer, Drew and Jeffrey K. Staton. 2011. “A Measurement Model for Synthesizing Multiple Comparative Indicators: The Case of Judicial Independence.” Paper presented at the 2011 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 1-4, Seattle, Washington.

Staton, Jeffrey K. and Alexia Romero. 2011. “Clarity and Compliance in the Inter-American System.” Paper presented at the 2011 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 1-4, Seattle, Washington.

Reenock, Christopher and Jeffrey K. Staton. “Commitment Challenges in Multiple Dimensions: Why Individuals Believe Courts Protect Some Rights but not others.”

Gauri, Varun, Jeffrey K. Staton, and Jorge Vargas Cullel. “Judges on Patrol: A Study of the Costa Rican Supreme Court’s Monitoring System for Constitutional Decisions.”

Staton, Jeffrey K. "When Judges Become Mediators: Compliance Monitoring on the Inter-American Court of Human Rights."

Staton, Jeffrey K., Robert A. Jackson and Damarys Canache. 2008. "Costly Citizenship? Dual Nationality Institutions, Naturalization, and Political Connectedness."

#### **BOOK REVIEWS**

2008. "Judges beyond Politics in Democracy and Dictatorship: Lessons from Chile," by Lisa Hilbink. *Law and Politics Book Review*.

2006. "Institutional Games and the U.S. Supreme Court," by James R. Rogers, Roy B. Flemming and Jon R. Bond, Eds. *Law and Politics Book Review*.

2005. "Courts Under Constraints: Judges, Generals, and Presidents in Argentina," by Gretchen Helmke *Comparative Political Studies* 38 (November): 1159-1162.

#### **TALKS**

"Clarity and Compliance in the Inter-American System." Penn State University, November 2011.

"Clarity and Compliance in the Inter-American System." Tulane University, November 2011.

"Judicial Effectiveness and Order in Democracies." University of Notre Dame, March, 2011.

"Judicial Power and Strategic Communication in Mexico." Northwestern University Law School. October 6, 2010.

"Legal Institutions and the Democratic Order." Emory University School of Law, June 23, 2010.

"Courting Conflict: A Logic of Risky Judicial Decisions." New York University School of Law, October 20, 2009.

"Courting Conflict: A Logic of Risky Judicial Decisions." Dartmouth College, September 29, 2009.

"The Value of Vagueness: Delegation, Defiance and Judicial Opinions." University of Texas School of Law, January 8, 2008.

"Substitutable Protections: Socioeconomic Insulation and Credible Commitment Devices." University of Georgia, June 15, 2007.

"Substitutable Protections: Socioeconomic Insulation and Credible Commitment Devices." Emory University, April 24, 2006.

"Substitutable Protections: Socioeconomic Insulation and Credible Commitment Devices." Florida State University College of Law, May 11, 2006.

"Dual Citizenship Among Latinos: What Are the Implications for Political-Connectedness?" Latin American and Caribbean Studies Program. Florida State University. March 2005.

"When Judges Go Public: Building the Judiciary through Media Relations." Public Law Colloquium, Princeton University, March 11, 2004.

“Judicial Activism and Public Authority Compliance.” Center for U.S. Mexican Studies, University of California, San Diego, December 3, 2003.

#### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS, 2004-2011**

Fall 2011. Linzer, Drew and Jeffrey K. Staton. 2011. “A Measurement Model for Synthesizing Multiple Comparative Indicators: The Case of Judicial Independence.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Seattle, WA. September 1 – 4, 2011.

Fall 2011. “Clarity and Compliance in the Inter-American System.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Seattle, WA. September 1 – 4, 2011.

Summer 2011. “Clarity and Compliance in the Inter-American System.” Paper delivered at the 69<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, Illinois. March 31 – April 3, 2012.

Spring 2011. “Clarity and Compliance in the Inter-American System.” Paper delivered at Meeting of the Research Committee of Comparative Judicial Studies (IPSA RC#9). UC Irvine. July 21, 2011 – July 23, 2011.

Spring 2010. “Commitment Challenges in Multiple Dimensions: Why Individuals Believe Courts Protect Some Rights but not Others.” To be Presented at the 68<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 22-25, 2009, Chicago, IL. (with Christopher Reenock)

Fall 2009. “Unpacking the Rule of Law: A Review of Judicial Independence Measures.” Presented at the Rule of Law Symposium, November 20-21, 2009, Conference on Empirical Legal Studies. University of Southern California Gould School of Law, Los Angeles California. (with Julio Ríos-Figueroa)

Fall 2009. “Courting Conflict: A Logic of Risky Judicial Decisions.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 3-6, 2009, Toronto, Ontario. (with Gretchen Helmke)

Fall 2009. “A Final Pillar to Fall? Judicial Power in International and Domestic Politics.” Presented at 5<sup>th</sup> European Consortium for Political Research General Conference, September 10-12, 2009, Potsdam, Germany.

Spring 2009. “Courting Conflict: A Logic of Risky Judicial Decisions.” Presented at the Law and Positive Political Theory Conference, Rochester University, May 1-2, 2009, Rochester, NY. (with Gretchen Helmke)

Spring 2009. “Courting Conflict: A Logic of Risky Judicial Decisions.” Presented at Rule of Law Workshop, April 24-25, Yale University, New Haven, CT. (with Gretchen Helmke)

Spring 2009. “Legal Institutions and the Democratic Order.” Presented at the 67<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2-5, 2009, Chicago, IL. (with Christopher Reenock and Marius Radean)

Spring 2009. “Unpacking the Rule of Law: A Review of Judicial Independence Measures.” Presented at the Rule of Law Symposium, March 26-27, 2009, University of Southern California Gould School of Law, Los Angeles California. (with Julio Ríos-Figueroa)

Spring 2009. "Courting Conflict: A Logic of Risky Judicial Decisions." Conference on Judicial Politics in Latin America, March 4-8, 2009, Mexico City, Mexico. (with Gretchen Helmke)

Fall 2008. "Legal Institutions and the Democratic Order." Presented at the Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, September 12-13, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. (with Christopher Reenock and Marius Radean)

Fall 2008. "Unpacking the Rule of Law: A Review of Judicial Independence Measures." at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 28-21, 2008, Boston, Massachusetts. (with Julio Ríos-Figueroa)

Summer 2008. "Legal Institutions and the Democratic Order." Presented at Conference on Comparative Judicial Studies, Research Committee 9, International Political Science Association, Montreal, Quebec. (with Christopher Reenock and Marius Radean)

Spring 2008. "The Uneven Effects of Commitment Institutions." Presented at the Presented at the 66<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 3-6, 2009, Chicago, IL. (with Christopher Reenock and Marius Radean)

Spring 2008. "A Final Pillar to Fall? Judicial Power in International and Domestic Politics." Presented at the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, March 26-29, 2008, San Francisco, California. (with Will Moore)

Spring 2007. "Managing Expectations: When Can Candidates Profitable Under-report Competence?" Presented at the 65<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 12-15, 2006, Chicago, IL. (with Rene Lindstaedt)

Spring 2007. "Costly Citizenship? Dual Nationality Institutions and the Choice to Naturalize." Presented at the 65<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 12-15, 2006, Chicago, IL. (with Robert Jackson and Damarys Canache)

Spring 2007. "Domestic Judicial Institutions and Human Rights Treaty Violation." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA, January 5 - 7, 2007. (with Emilia Powell)

Fall 2006. "Substitutable Protections: Socioeconomic Insulation and Credible Commitment Devices." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 31, 2006. (with Christopher Reenock).

Fall 2006. "Substitutable Protections: Socioeconomic Insulation and Credible Commitment Devices." Poster presented at the Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, University of Texas, October 27-28, 2006, Austin, Texas.

Spring 2006. "The Effects of International Human Rights Agreements." Presented at the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 20-23, 2006, Chicago, IL. (with Emilia Powell)

Spring 2006. "Substitutable Protections: How Socioeconomic Vulnerabilities Conditions the Effectiveness of Legal Institutions as Credible Commitment Devices." Presented at the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 20-23, 2006, Chicago, IL. (with Christopher Reenock)

Spring 2005. "Conditional Learning about Judicial Impartiality." Paper presented at the Conference on Law, Liberty and Judicial Review, Liberty Fund, June 9-12, 2005, Big Sky, Montana.

Spring 2005. "Legislative Reactions and Judicial Ambiguity: A Positive Theory of Judicial Opinions." Presented at the 63<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 7-10, 2006, Chicago, IL. (with Georg Vanberg)

Spring 2005. "Dual Citizenship among American Latinos: What are the Implications for Political-Connectedness?" Presented at the 63<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 7-10, 2006, Chicago, IL. (with Robert Jackson and Damarys Canache)

Fall 2004. "The Impact of Judicial Publication Relations on Media Coverage in Mexico. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 2, 2004.

Spring 2004. "Choosing How to Choose: State Delegate Selection Rules for Presidential Nominations, 1972-2000." Presented at the 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual National Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 7-10, 2006, Chicago, IL. (with Scott R. Meinke and Steven T. Wuhs).

#### **TEACHING INTERESTS**

Comparative Political Institutions, Formal Theory, Judicial Behavior, Constitutional Law, Latin American Politics

#### **COURSES TAUGHT**

Graduate:

- Game Theory and Politics
- Core Seminar in Comparative Politics
- Constitutional Courts

Undergraduate:

- Latin American Politics
- Comparative Constitutional Law
- Introduction to Comparative Government
- Political Accountability in Latin America
- Civil Liberties
- Constitutional Law

#### **SERVICE**

Professional Service

Conferences and Sections Organized

Section Head (Positive Political Theory): Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. New Orleans. January, 2012.

Section Head (Comparative Politics: Institutions): Annual National Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2-5, 2009, Chicago, IL.

Workshop on Law, Politics and Human Rights, February 2009, Emory University

Mini-Conference on Delegation and Independence in Domestic and International Law, February 8-9, 2008, Florida State University

Conference on Textual Analysis and Law, March 21-23, 2008, Emory University

Panelist

NSF Law and Social Sciences Program, Dissertation Improvement Grant Panel

Referee

*American Political Science Review, American Journal of Political Science, Journal of Politics, Comparative Political Studies, Comparative Politics, World Politics, International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Theoretical Politics, American Politics Research, Law and Society Review, National Science Foundation, Law & Policy, Política y Gobierno*

Discussant

Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference, International Studies Association Annual Conference

Departmental Service

Organizations

Pizza and Politics, Co-supervisor, Emory University, 2007-2009

Committees

International Relations Search Committee, Emory University, 2011-2012  
Graduate Committee, Emory University, 2007-present  
Professional Relations Committee, Emory University, 2008-2010  
Executive Committee, Florida State, 2006-2007  
Open Search Committee, Florida State, 2006-2007  
Comparative Politics Search Committee, Florida State, 2005-2006

Field Representative for Comparative Politics, Department of Political Science, Florida State University, 2006-2007

Dissertation Committees

Amy Liu, Assistant Professor, University of Colorado  
Mike Allison, Assistant Professor, University of Scranton  
Emilia Powell, Assistant Professor, University of Notre Dame  
Jackie Rubin, Assistant Professor, University of North Texas  
Matt Ingram, Fellow, Center for U.S. Mexican Studies, University of California, San Diego  
Emily Hencken Ritter, University of Alabama  
Barry Hashimoto, Ph.D. Candidate, Emory University  
Jun Koga, Ph.D. Candidate, Emory University  
B.K. Park, Ph.D. Candidate, Emory University (Chair)

Chair, Undergraduate Honors Committees, Emory University

Alexia Romero  
Ross Friedman  
Khurram Dara  
Brandon Sibia

Chair, Undergraduate Honors Committees, Florida State University  
Mehdi Benkhatar  
Guillermo Cancio

College Service

FAME advisor, 2008

Arts & Sciences Fellowship Committee, Spring 2010

Presentation on international human rights law and compliance, April 25, 2008, *Introduction to Global Health*, Emory University

Research Presentation, Pi Sigma Alpha, January 30, 2008, Emory University

Advisor, Phi Alpha Delta (Undergraduate Pre-Law Society), Florida State University

Public Service

Presentation on dual nationality and political connectedness, Summer 2008, *Campbell Stone Apartments, Atlanta, Georgia*.

Presentation on legal institutions and the democratic order. October 17, 2008. Clayton County Public Schools

Presentation on legal institutions and state sponsored torture. October 17, 2008. Clayton County Public Schools.

**PROFESSIONALIZATION**

Digital Certification Program, Emory University, Summer 2007

Eight hour faculty development seminar designed to introduce faculty to using effectively the university's electronic resources.

Assessing Student Learning Workshop, Florida State University, Summer 2006

Twelve hour faculty development seminar designed to train teachers how to develop better assessments

Blackboard Workshop, Florida State University, Summer 2005

Twelve hour faculty development seminar on using Blackboard effectively in the classroom.

**LANGUAGE**

Spanish