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### **Academic Appointments**

Co-chair/Chair, Presidential Oral History Program, 2006 – present  
 Director, Clinton Presidential History Project, 2003 – present  
 Assistant/Associate Professor and Research Fellow, 2001- present  
 Presidential Oral History Program  
 University of Virginia, Miller Center of Public Affairs

Academic Program Director  
 Salzburg Seminar in American Studies, 1998-2000 (adjunct session director, 2001 – 2008)

Founding Resident Director and Lecturer  
 University of Pennsylvania, Washington Semester Program, 1993-1998

Lecturer  
 Georgetown University, Department of Government, 1992-1993; Spring 1996  
 University of Pennsylvania, Department of Political Science, 1990-1992

*Courses Taught:* The American Presidency; Presidential Electoral Politics; The President and Congress; The Legislative Process/Congress; Introduction to American Politics/US Political Systems; Government and Business (Wharton); Senior Seminar on Political Leadership; Senior Seminar on Interest Groups; The Politics of Governance in the Washington Community.

### **Other Professional Appointments**

Commissioner, Alabama Environmental Management Commission, June 1982 – September 1984  
 (appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Alabama State Senate)

Assistant Director of Governmental Affairs (chief liaison to the Alabama State Senate), Medical Association of the State of Alabama, June 1983 - August 1984.

Chief Legislative Assistant to the Lieutenant Governor, Alabama State Senate, June 1979 - January 1983.

### **Education**

Ph.D. University of Virginia, American Government (with distinction, 1995)  
 Dissertation: The Presidency and the Politics of Racial Inequality: Movements, Mobilization, and Manipulation, 1831-1965 Committee: James Sterling Young, James Ceaser, Matthew Holden, and William Lee Miller (University of Virginia), Richard E. Neustadt (Harvard University)

M.A. University of Virginia, Government (1988)

Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government (1984-85), Kennedy Fellow in Public Policy

B.S. Auburn University, Economics (summa cum laude, 1983)

### **Scholarly Publications**

*Bridging the Constitutional Divide: Inside the White House Office of Legislative Affairs*, edited with commentary (forthcoming, Texas A&M University Press, 2010).

*The President's Words: Speeches and Speechwriting in the Modern White House*, edited (with authored chapter) with Michael Nelson (forthcoming, University Press of Kansas, 2010).

*The Presidency and the Politics of Racial Inequality: Nation-keeping from 1831-1965*, Columbia University Press (1999). (Cited by the Neustadt Awards Committee of the APSA as one of four outstanding books on the presidency published in 1999.)

"The White House as a Black Box: Oral History and the Problem of Evidence in Presidential Studies," *Political Studies*, 2009 (volume 57).

"Presidential Oral History: The Clinton Presidential History Project," *Oral History Review*, summer/fall, 2007.

"Looking for Europe's George Washington." *PRG Report: Newsletter of the Presidency Research Group of the American Political Science Association*, Spring 2008.

"Europe's Flickering Philadelphia Moment," *Brown Journal of World Affairs*, Spring/Summer 2007.

"The Presidency, Leadership, and Race," in Stanley A. Renshon, ed., *One America?: Leadership, National Identity, and the Dilemmas of Diversity* (Georgetown University Press, 2001).

"The Limits of the Transformational Presidency," in Martha Kumar, Lawrence Jacobs, and Robert Shapiro, eds. *Presidential Power: Forging the Presidency for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century* (Columbia University Press, 2000).

"The Presidency of Andrew Jackson, 1829-1837," a 10,000 word interpretive essay in Melvin Urofsky, ed., *The American Presidents: Critical Essays* (New York: Garland Press, 2000).

Articles on "Party Discipline," (Democratic and Republican), "George C. Wallace," and the "McGovern-Fraser Commission," in George Kurian, ed., *The Encyclopedia of American Political Parties* (Armonk, NY: M.E. Sharpe, 1997.)

"Party Government and the Contract With America," *PS: Political Science and Politics* (refereed feature article, December 1995).

### **Book Reviews Authored**

Review of Mary E. Stuckey, *Defining Americans: The Presidency and National Identity* (Kansas, 2004), for *The American Historical Review* (April 2006).

Review of John F. Harris, *The Survivor: Bill Clinton in the White House* (Random House, 2005), for *Presidential Studies Quarterly* (March 2006).

Review of Stephen Graubard, *Command of Office: How War, Secrecy, and Deception Transformed the Presidency, from Theodore Roosevelt to George W. Bush* (Basic, 2004), for *Presidential Studies Quarterly* (September 2005).

Review of Kevin J. McMahon, *Reconsidering Roosevelt on Race: How the Presidency Paved the Road to Brown* (Chicago, 2004), for *Congress & the Presidency: A Journal of Capital Studies* (Spring 2004).

Review of R. Kent Weaver, *Ending Welfare as We Know It* (Brookings, 2000), for *Congress & the Presidency: A Journal of Capital Studies* (Autumn, 2001).

Review of John Robert Greene's, *The Limits of Power: The Nixon and Ford Administrations* (Indiana, 1992) for *Political Science Quarterly* (Spring, 1993).

"Commentary on Barbara Kellerman's 'Presidents and Their Families'" *Imprimatur* (A Research Report of the Miller Center of Public Affairs, University of Virginia), September, 1990.

Frequent contributor to *Virginia Quarterly Review* ("Notes on Current Books") of brief reviews on works in political science and political history, 1986-1988, 2002. Published reviews include Ralph Waldo Emerson, *Representative Men* (Harvard, 1988); James A. Miller, *Running in Place: Inside the Senate* (Simon & Schuster, 1986); Benjamin Wittes, *Starr: A Reassessment* (Yale, 2002); and David R. Mayhew, *Electoral Realignments: A Critique of an American Genre* (Yale, 2002).

Manuscript reviewer, *Journal of Politics*, September 2005; *Congress & the Presidency*, 2006-07.

Manuscript reviewer. Columbia University Press and the University of Massachusetts Press, 1998-99.

#### Op-Eds and Other Publications/Edited Work

"Still Editing? A Few Words of Advice," *Washington Post*, January 18, 2009.

"An American Abroad," *Salzburg Global Seminar Coordinates—Blog*, November 13, 2008.

"When There's Nothing Left to Do But Wait," *Washington Post*, November 2, 2008.

"Hey, What Could Go Wrong?" *Washington Post*, September 21, 2008.

"They're No. Two! And Here's How They Got There," *Washington Post*, June 1, 2008.

"Hamilton Jordan: Reflections on Politics," *Politico*, May 22, 2008.

"Divided We Stand," *Politico*, January 31, 2007.

"For History's Sake, Nothing Like a Paper Trail," *The Washington Post*, Sunday, November 6, 2005. Reprinted as an op-ed essay in the *San Jose Mercury News*, November 24, 2005, (New York) *Newsday*, Sunday, November 15, 2005; in *Arab News*, November 14, 2005; and in *The Frontier Post* (Peshawar, Pakistan), November 13, 2005.

"The Perils of a Second Term", *AScribe* and *Europe Intelligence Wire* services, November 18, 2004.

"Remembering a Mentor" (commemorating the life of Richard E. Neustadt), in *Spectrum: A Publication of the Miller Center of Public Affairs* (Winter, 2004).

“Presidential Oral History: Completing the Public Record,” in *Spectrum: A Publication of the Miller Center of Public Affairs* (Spring, 2002), reprinted in *UVa TopNews Daily*.

"Participant-Observation in the Washington Semester," co-authored with Jack Nagel, *Almanac of the University of Pennsylvania*, November 18, 1997.

### **Authored Conference Papers**

“The White House as a Black Box: Oral History and the Problem of Evidence in Presidential Studies,” paper delivered at the Political Studies Association annual meeting, Bath, UK, April 2007.

“The Clinton Presidential History Project,” paper delivered at the [American] Oral History Association annual meeting in Little Rock, October 2006.

“Transparency, Democracy, and Oral History: On the Value of Elite Interviewing,” with Harriet Jones, Institute of Contemporary British History, for a conference on “Memory and Globalization,” International Oral History Association, Rome, Italy, June 2004.

“A Reply to Susan Zaeske’s ‘Little Magic: Martin Van Buren and the Politics of Gender’,” prepared for a conference on “Before the Rhetorical Presidency,” Program in Presidential Rhetoric at the George Bush School of Government and Public Service, Texas A&M University, March 2002.

"The Limits of the Transformational Presidency," paper prepared for a conference at Columbia University entitled, "The American Presidency: An Institution Under Attack," November 15-16, 1996. (One of ten junior scholars on the presidency selected nationwide to present a paper at this conference.)

"On Political Institutions and Race in America," paper delivered at the Southern Political Science Association's annual meeting in Tampa, November, 1995.

"Party Government and Political Culture," co-authored with James Sterling Young, paper delivered at the American Political Science Association annual meeting, San Francisco, August 1990.

### **Conferences, Lectures & Other Professional Activities**

Organizer and Program Director. “Miller Center Symposium on White House Domestic Policymaking,” a group oral history with former directors of the White House domestic policy office. To date, commitments from nine White House alumni representing presidents back to LBJ, June 12-13, 2009.

Lecturer. “The New President, American Government and Society,” Video-conference lecture series sponsored by the US Department of State for American Studies classes in four Palestinian universities (Al Quds; Najah; Bir Zeit; and Hebron), March 4, 5, 11, 12, 2009.

Senior Resource Person and Rapporteur. Salzburg Global Seminar, Session 458, “The United States in the World: New Strategies of Engagement,” Salzburg, Austria, November 11-16, 2008.

Organizer and Program Director. “Miller Center Symposium on White House Speechwriting,” a group oral history with nine former White House speechwriters,” Charlottesville, VA, June 20-21, 2008. (Video-recorded and subsequently aired in its entirety on CSPAN television during the summer 2008).

Lecturer. “The Liberty Lecture Series: On America’s Post-war Presidents,” Gunston Hall Plantation,

Mason Neck Virginia, March 16, 2008.

Lecturer. "US Institutional Development in History" and "The Nature of Presidential Power," at the Central Party School's "International Academic Conference on US Diplomacy and Domestic Affairs," Beijing, China, December 12-21, 2007.

Keynote speaker. Annual Woodrow Wilson Day Dinner address to the University of Virginia's Jefferson Literary and Debating Society. "Presidential Intellectuals: Jefferson, Wilson, and Clinton," Charlottesville, November 10, 2007.

Keynote speaker. "The Museological Function of American Presidential Libraries", delivered at an Expert Meeting on Judicial Archives, convened by United Nations' stakeholders interested in the creation of an archive for the UN's ad hoc war-crimes tribunals, The Hague, The Netherlands, July 2006.

Session Director. Salzburg Seminar Session 432, "The Transatlantic Divide: How Significant Are the Differences?" scheduled for June 28 – July 3, 2006, chaired by William Drozdiak, in Salzburg, Austria.

Lecturer. Two lectures at the Federal Executive Institute (Charlottesville), "Being Attentive to History – The Problems of the Paper Trail, and Oral History" and "War and Presidential Power – What History Teaches about the Politics of the "Long War", June 12, 2006, and again on May 18, 2007.

Panel Discussant. "Conflict and Cooperation with Congress," at "William Jefferson Clinton: The 'New Democrat' from Hope," the 11<sup>th</sup> Presidential Conference of the Hofstra Cultural Center, Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY, November 10-12, 2005.

Session Director. Salzburg Seminar Session 425, "The European Union: Challenges of Integration and Expansion," chaired by Ambassador John Richardson, in Salzburg Austria, June 29 – July 4, 2005.

Session Director. Salzburg Seminar Session 418, "Reinventing the West: Redefining the Transatlantic Relationship," co-chaired by Jack Matlock and Dominique Moisi, in Salzburg, Austria, June 14-21, 2004.

Organizer and moderator. "Miller Center Symposium on White House Congressional Affairs," a group oral history with seven former heads of the White House Office of Legislative Affairs, Charlottesville, VA, September 12-13, 2003.

Panel Discussant. "Rethinking Presidential Power," Southern Political Science Association 2002 Conference, Savannah, Georgia, November 7-9, 2002.

Session Director. Salzburg Seminar Session 401, "The Euro: Implications for Europe, Implications for the World," chaired by Michel Petite, in Salzburg, Austria, August 7-14, 2002.

Conferee. "New Directions in White House Research," convened by the Center for Presidential Studies at Texas A&M University, May 18-20, 2001.

Lecturer. "A Conversation on the Results of the 2000 Presidential Election." Salzburg University, Salzburg, Austria, November 8, 2000.

Session Director. Salzburg Seminar Session 382, "Youth and Civic Participation: Models of Engagement," chaired by Joyce Ladner, in Salzburg, Austria, September 6-13, 2000.

Session Director. Salzburg Seminar Session 378, "The Entrepreneurial City," chaired by Robert Kiley, in

Salzburg, Austria, June 13-20, 2000.

Session Director. Salzburg Seminar Session 375, "European Paradox: Integration and Disintegration," co-chaired by Loukas Tsoukalis and Helen Wallace, in Salzburg, Austria, March 22-29, 2000.

Lecturer. "The Contours of the 2000 Electoral Landscape in the United States," Salzburg Seminar staff lecture, Salzburg, Austria, January 2000.

Session Director. Salzburg Seminar Session 372, "Race and Ethnicity: Social Change Through Public Awareness," chaired by Njabulo Ndebele, in Salzburg, Austria, October 9-16, 1999.

Session Director. Salzburg Seminar Freeman Symposium, "East Asia – The United States: A Search for Common Values," co-chaired by Ambassador Pang Eng Fong and Olin Robison, in Salzburg, Austria, June 1-6, 1999.

Lecturer. "Democracy in American Politics" and "American Presidential Elections, 2000." USIS Teachers Training Conference on American Studies, Gotha, Germany, April 22-23, 1999.

Session Director. Salzburg Seminar Session 365, "The Transatlantic Agenda at the Turn of the Century," co-chaired by Ambassadors Richard Gardner and Eva Nowotny, in Salzburg, Austria, March 20-27, 1999.

Lecturer. "The Presidency and the Politics of Racial Inequality." National Endowment for the Humanities-funded series on the American Presidency at Camden (NJ) Co. College, October 8, 1997.

Lecturer. "Exporting the 'Revolution': Senate Reforms in the 104th Congress." Research presentation to the faculties of public policy (Wharton) and political science, University of Pennsylvania, November 30, 1995.

Panel discussant. "Presidential Rhetoric", American Political Science Association annual meeting, Washington, DC, 1993.

Lecturer. "The Presidency and Moral Leadership," Virginia Society for Political Scientists, University of Richmond, December, 1991.

Panel discussant. "Political Science and Political Culture," Midwest Political Science Association annual meeting, Chicago, 1989.

Rapporteur. "International Symposium on the Constitution of the United States: American and European Perspectives," held in Charlottesville, VA, International Foundation for Human Sciences, New York and Paris. November 18-22, 1987.

Panel discussant. "National Institutions," Virginia Society for Political Scientists, Washington & Lee University, November, 1987.

Editorial Board. Journal of Law and Politics, Charlottesville, VA. March 1986 to September 1987.

Program Advisory Committee Member. American Studies Center, Salzburg Seminar in American Studies, Salzburg, Austria, November 2000 to present.

Program consultant. Core Academic Program, Salzburg Seminar in American Studies, Salzburg Austria, January 2004 to present.

Scholar-in-residence. Salzburg Seminar in American Studies, Salzburg, Austria, summer 2004 & 2005.

Contributing editor. AmericanPresident.org, Charlottesville, VA, 2003 to present. Responsible for reviewing on-line content about the Clinton presidency.

### **Media Appearances**

One of 65 experts participating in CSPAN's February 2009 poll rating the American presidents.

Panelist, *TIME* magazine, October 27, 2008 cover story on "The Candidates' Temperaments: Who's a Better Fit for the Job?" The interview transcript was also published in the same issue under the headline "What Kind of Temperament is Best?"

Radio guest on *Minnesota Public Radio's* call-in "Midmorning" Program, January 29, 2008; October 16, 2008; February 8, 2009.

Radio guest on KQED radio, San Francisco, "Forum, with Michael Krasny," December 2, 2008.

Radio guest on CSPAN radio, November 3, 2007, program on the Jimmy Carter Library and the Carter Oral History Project.

Quoted expert on American politics in *USA Today*, *San Francisco Chronicle*, *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The New York Post*, *The American Prospect* [on-line], *ABC News.com*, *FOX.com*, *NPR.org*, *Bloomberg News*, *The Yomiuri Shimibun*, *Daily Telegraph* [London] and *Pravda* [Slovakia], in 2006-09.

### **Fellowships and Honors**

APSA-Neustadt Awards Committee citation, author of one of four outstanding books on the presidency published in 1999.

H.B. Earhart Fellowship, Earhart Foundation, Ann Arbor, 1991-92.

Spicer and Miller Center Fellow, University of Virginia, 1989-90.

Thomas Jefferson Memorial Fellow, University of Virginia and the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation, 1988-89.

President's Fellow and DuPont Fellow, University of Virginia, full award package for terms of graduate study, 1985-88.

Society of Fellows, University of Virginia, Junior Fellow to Professor Henry J. Abraham, 1986-87.

John F. Kennedy Fellow, Harvard University, 1984-85.

Algernon Sidney Sullivan Award, Auburn University, 1983.

Charles P. Anson Award, Auburn University, outstanding economics graduate, 1983.

**Language Skills**

Some German – conversational and reading comprehension

*References available upon request.*