

# COLLEEN J. SHOGAN

## EMPLOYMENT

### **More Perfect**

Senior Advisor and CEO of “In Pursuit” initiative, March 2025 - Present

### **National Archives and Records Administration**

Archivist of the United States, May 2023 – February 2025

### **White House Historical Association**

Senior Vice President/Director of David Rubenstein Center, February 2020 – May 2023

### **Women’s Suffrage National Monument Foundation**

Board Co-Chair, June 2022 – May 2023; March 2025 - present

### **Library of Congress, Collections and Services**

Assistant Deputy Librarian, October 2018- January 2020

### **Women’s Suffrage Centennial Commission**

Vice Chair, October 2018 – December 2020

### **Library of Congress**

Assistant Deputy Librarian for Collections and Services October 2018 – January 2020

### **Library of Congress, National and International Outreach**

Deputy Director, September 2015 – October 2018

### **Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress**

Deputy Director, August 2012- September 2015

Assistant Director, Head of Government and Finance Division, July 2009 – August 2012

Section Research Manager, Congress and Judiciary Section, May 2008 – July 2009

### **United States Senate**

Legislative Assistant specializing in appropriations, defense authorization, small business, defense health, transportation, and science and technology, December 2006 – April 2008

### **American Political Science Association Congressional Fellowship**

United States Senate, December 2005-December 2006

### **George Mason University, Department of Public and International Affairs**

Assistant Professor, Government and Politics, Fall 2002-December 2006

**Georgetown University, Department of Government**

Adjunct Professor of Government, January 2008 – May 2021; May 2025 - present

**Aspen Institute**

Socrates Program Moderator, 2018-2023

EDUCATION

Yale University New Haven, CT

M.A., M. Phil., and Ph.D. in Political Science (2002)

General Examination Fields: American Politics, Empirical Methodology, History of Political Philosophy; Dissertation adviser: Professor Stephen Skowronek

Advanced proficiency in statistics and political methodology

Teaching and research areas of interest: American presidency, women and politics, Congress, American political development, political communications and rhetoric, political leadership.

Boston College Chestnut Hill, MA

Bachelor of Arts, *summa cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa, Order of the Cross and Crown (1997)

Political science major with concentrations in American politics and women's studies, completed the College of Arts and Sciences Honors Program and the Honors Program in Political Science

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

- *The Moral Rhetoric of American Presidents*, Texas A&M Press, 2006 and 2007. In 2009, the Wall Street Journal named *The Moral Rhetoric of American Presidents* one of the “top five” books written on presidential rhetoric.
- Co-authored with Jacob Straus, Matthew Glassman, and Raymond Williams. “Congressional Social Media: Evaluating Senate Twitter Usage.” *Online Information Review*, 40:5 (September 2016): 643-659.
- Co-authored with Jacob Straus, Matthew Glassman, and Susan Smelcer. “Communicating in 140 Characters or Less: Congressional Adoption of Twitter in the 111th Congress.” *PS*, 46: 1 (January 2013).
- “Presidential Leadership and UN Activities to End Violence Against Women.” *White House Studies*, 11, 4 (2013): 325-343.
- “Blackberries, Tweets, and YouTube: Technology and the Future of Communicating with Congress.”

*PS*, 43:2 (April 2010). (Article in a symposium on Congress and the 21<sup>st</sup> century).

- “The Role of Empathy in Presidential Leadership.” *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, 39,4 (December 2009): 859-877.
- “Anti-Intellectualism in the Plebiscitary Presidency: A Republican Populism.” *Perspectives on Politics*. 2007: 295-303.
- “The Senate School of Public Policy.” *PS*. July 2006: 581-583.
- “Ideological Party Leadership: The Story of Silent Cal and the Great Communicator.” *Rhetoric & Public Affairs*, 9,2 (2006): 215-234.
- “The Contemporary Presidency: The Sixth-Year Curse.” *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, 36, 1 (March 2006): 89-101.
- Co-authored with Joyce Gelb. “Community Activism in the United States: Catholic Hospital Mergers and Reproductive Access.” *Social Movement Studies*, 4,3 (December 2005): 209-229.
- Co-authored with Jerome Short and Nicole Owings. “The Influence of First Ladies on Mental Health Policy.” *White House Studies*, 5,1 (2005).
- Co-authored with Daniel Galvin. “Presidential Politicization and Centralization Across the Modern-Traditional Divide.” *Polity*, 36 (April 2004): 477-504.
- “Rhetorical Moralism in the Plebiscitary Presidency: New Speech Forms and Their Ideological Entailments.” *Studies in American Political Development*, 17 (Fall 2003): 149-167.
- “Speaking Out: An Analysis of Democratic and Republican Woman-Invoked Rhetoric in the 105<sup>th</sup> Congress.” *Women & Politics*. 23,1 (2002): 129-146.
- “Tocqueville’s ‘Feminism in America’: A Reconsideration of Women’s Equality and Dignity.” *The Journal of Contemporary Thought*. 13 (2001): 55-69.
- “The Moralism and the Cavalier: The Political Rhetoric of Washington and Jefferson. *Northern Kentucky Law Review Symposium Issue on Presidential Power*. 28, 3 (2001). 573-94.

#### BOOK CHAPTERS

- “A King, A President, and a Republic: A Story of Executive Power.” *The Two Georges* featuring the parallel lives and times of George III and George Washington. University of North Carolina Press. March 2025.
- “Foreword” for *Mourning the Presidents*, University of Virginia Press, Matt Costello and Lindsay Chervinsky, editors. 2023.
- “Longitudinal Analysis of One Minute Speeches in the United States House of Representatives.” With Matthew Glassman. In *Party and Procedure in the United States Congress*, Second Edition. Jacob Straus and Matthew Glassman, eds. Rowman & Littlefield (2016).

- “Like Clockwork: Senate Consideration of the National Defense Authorization Act.” In *The Evolving Congress*, Senate Rules and Administration Committee Print, S. Prt. 113-80 (2014).
- “Defense Authorization: The Senate’s Last Best Hope?” In *Party and Procedure in the United States Congress*. First Edition. Jacob Straus, ed. Rowman & Littlefield (2012).
- Co-authored with Robert Raffety. “A Political Source of Greatness: Lincoln and the Republican Party.” In *Lincoln’s American Dream: Clashing Political Perspectives*. Joseph Fornieri and Kenneth Deutsch, eds. Dulles, VA: Potomac Books (2005).
- “Speaking Out: An Analysis of Democratic and Republican Woman-Invoked Rhetoric in the 105<sup>th</sup> Congress.” Reprinted in *Women and Congress: Running, Winning, and Ruling*. Karen O’Connor, ed. Binghamton, NY. Haworth Press. (2002).
- “George Washington: Can Aristotle Recapture What His Countrymen Have Forgotten?” In *George Washington: Leadership and Legacy*. E. Fishman, W. Pederson, M. Rozell, eds. Westport, CT: Praeger Press. (September 2001).

#### CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE (CRS) REPORTS

- “The President’s State of the Union Address: Tradition, Function, and Policy Implications.”
- “Social Networking and Constituent Communications: Members’ Use of Twitter During a Two-Month in the 111<sup>th</sup> Congress.” (With Jacob Straus and Matthew Glassman.)
- “Social Networking and Constituent Communications: Members’ Use of Twitter and Facebook During a Two-Month Period in the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress.” (With Jacob Straus and Matthew Glassman).
- “Women in the United State Congress: Historical Overview, Tables, and Discussion.” (With Jennifer Manning and Ida Brudnick).

#### COMMENTARIES

- “The Rotunda Tells America’s Story. It’s Time to Tell More of It.” *National Review Online*. April 2, 2026.
- “Before They Got the Vote, Women Wielded Civic Influence.” *The Dispatch*. March 17, 2026.
- “A Great Lesson – And Warning – of the American Presidency.” *The Contrarian*. February 16, 2026.
- “Rebooting Civics for the Digital Age.” *The 74*. December 11, 2025.
- “Where Democracy Still Works.” *The Free Press*. December 4, 2025.
- “A Lesson from Breast Cancer for American Resilience.” *The Fulcrum*. October 30, 2025.
- “On Constitution Day, the Suffragists Show Us How to Save Civics.” *Real Clear Politics*. September

14, 2025.

- With John Bridgeland. “America needs a civic education moonshot, before it’s too late.” *The Hill*. June 29, 2025
- With Lonnie Bunch and Carla Hayden. “This 4<sup>th</sup> of July Weekend, a Different Way to Celebrate the History We Share.” *CNN Opinion*. July 6, 2024.
- “A Tale of Two First Ladies: Why Women’s History Month Matters.” *The Hill*. March 12, 2022.
- “Jill Biden Redefines Role of First Lady.” *The Hill*. March 5, 2021.
- With Matt Costello. “Women of Lafayette Park: Stories of Resistance, Equality, and Preservation.” *The Hill*. July 28, 2021.
- “What Makes a Great Inaugural Address?” *The Hill*. January 19, 2021.
- “2020: A Campaign Like No Other?” *The Hill*. September 5, 2020.
- “White House Protests: It All Began with Alice Paul.” *The Hill*. August 4, 2020.
- “Lessons in Perseverance From the Suffrage Movement.” *Pittsburgh Tribune Review*. May 13, 2020.

#### SELECT ACADEMIC CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- **2019 American Political Science Association Conference**  
--“Social Media and New Norms of Representation” in Washington, DC.
- **2016 American Political Science Association (APSA) Conference**  
--Roundtable participant for “Party and Procedure in the United States Congress” at the 2016 conference in Philadelphia, PA.
- **2014 American Political Science Association (APSA) Conference and 2015 Midwest Political Science Association Conference**  
--“Social Media as a Communication Tool in Congress: Evaluating Senate Usage of Twitter in the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress.” With Jacob Straus, Raymond Williams, and Matthew Glassman. Paper presented at the 2014 conference in Washington, D.C. and the 2015 conference in Chicago.
- **2013 American Political Science Association (APSA) Conference**  
--“Longitudinal Analysis of One-Minute Speeches in the House of Representatives.” With Matthew Glassman and Barry McMillion. Paper presented at the 2013 conference in Chicago, IL.
- **2012 American Political Science Association (APSA) Conference**  
--“Bill Clinton’s Oklahoma City Bombing Speech: Is Presidential Rhetoric Relevant?” Paper presented at the 2012 conference in New Orleans, LA.
- **2011 APPAM (Association of Public Policy and Management) Annual Conference**  
--Roundtable participant for “From Research to Policy: Informing the Policy Debate.”

- **2011 American Political Science Association (APSA) Conference**  
--“Defense Authorization: The Senate’s Last Best Hope.” Paper presented at the 2011 conference in Seattle, WA. Nominated for CQ Prize for best paper in legislative studies.
- **2010 Peter S. Kalikow Center for the Study of the American Presidency Symposium**  
--“Presidential Leadership and UN Activities to End Violence Against Women.” Paper presented at Hofstra University on October 21, 2010.
- **2010 American Political Science Association (APSA) Conference**  
--Roundtable participant and organizer of “Obama’s Rhetoric: Speechwriters and Scholars.”

#### SELECT PUBLIC LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

- **University of Wisconsin at Madison, 2026**  
--Lecture on intellectual pluralism for the Wisconsin Exchange Program on March 23, 2026
- **Warren Wilson College, 2025**  
--Commencement address on May 10, 2025
- **Lincoln Lecture, University of Illinois, Fall 2025**  
--Keynote address for annual Lincoln event in Springfield
- **Drury University, Signature Lecture Series, Fall 2025**  
--Keynote speech on campus, media events, and campus engagement
- **Brown University Lecture, Fall 2025**  
--Signature conversation for beginning of Brown’s commemoration of America 250
- **Coolidge Foundation Summer Lecture, July 2025, Plymouth Notch, VT**  
--Keynote speech for the annual Coolidge summer fundraiser event
- **Yale Club of New York City, 2025**  
--Public conversation with NYC Yale Club archivist and Yale alum Carlos Riobo
- **Penn State University, 2024**  
--Participated in a public discussion with Lisa Flores, Chair of Humanities at Penn State College Park
- **West Virginia University, 2024**  
--Participated in a public conversation with Dr. Lisa DeFrank-Cole, Professor of Leadership Studies at WVU; taught a public history class with United States Senator Shelley Capito
- **University of California, Irvine, School of Social Ecology, 2024**  
--Delivered Commencement Address on June 16, 2024
- **Yale University, 2024**  
--Participated in a conversation with Professor Stephen Skowronek at the Institute of Social and Policy Studies about the purpose of federal record-keeping in a democracy

- **University of Virginia, 2024**

- Participated in a public event at the Miller Center with Russell Riley and Barbara Perry about the importance of preserving presidential records

- **Rice University, 2023**

- Participated in a conversation with Doug Brinkley, University Librarian Sarah Lowman, and Library Special Collections Director Amanda Focke

- **University of Southampton, UK, 2019**

- Along with the Director of Digital Strategy at the Library of Congress, presented paper on changing norms of representation due to changes in digital communication.

- **United States Capitol Historical Association, 2018**

- Presented “Social Media and Interactive Representation in the United States Congress” at Library of Congress as part of a summer symposium on Congress; televised live on C-SPAN.

- **Eccles Centre for American Studies at the British Library, 2017**

- Presented “Social Media and Interactive Representation in the United States Congress” at American politics symposium at British Library in London.

- **Association of Centers for the Study of Congress, 2017**

- Keynote speaker for the ACSC conference.

- **Library of Congress public interviews, 2016-2019**

- Conducted public interviews with former Speaker Newt Gingrich and Congressman Steve Israel, Congresswoman Jackie Speier, Secretary of the Army Eric Fanning, Congresswoman Janice Hahn and Congresswoman Candice Miller, Historian Ron Chernow, Author J.D. Vance, Historian Ronald White, Author Tara Westover, Author Elaine Weiss, and New York Public Library President Tony Marx.

- **The Legacy of Senator Ed Brooke, October 2015, Law Library of Congress**

- Moderated a discussion with guests Senator Ed Markey and Representative John Conyers at an event celebrating the Ed Brooke papers at the Library of Congress.

- **Congress and Media, October 2015, Hewlett Foundation**

- Moderated a discussion with *Face the Nation* host John Dickerson and the Cook Report’s Amy Walter at a Member of Congress dinner held in the Great Hall at the Library of Congress.

## ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS

### Undergraduate

- Phi Beta Kappa
- Order of the Cross and Crown Marshall
- Tip O'Neill Summer Study Fellowship Winner
- Dean's Scholar Award
- Office of the Dean of Student Development Leadership Award
- Alpha Sigma Nu Jesuit National Honor Society
- Golden Key National Honor Society
- Who's Who Among American College Students
- Who's Who Among Students in American Universities

**Graduate**

Yale University Fellowship  
National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Fellowship  
John F. Enders Research Grant, Yale University  
Robert M. Leylan Prize Dissertation Fellowship Award for the Social Sciences

**Professional**

Collaborative Interdisciplinary Research Award Provost's Office, George Mason  
Summer Research Funding Award, Provost's Office, George Mason  
Best Panel Presentation 2004, West Virginia Political Science Association  
2005-2006 American Political Science Association Steiger Congressional Fellow  
112<sup>th</sup> Congress Stennis Congressional Staff Fellowship (2011-2012)  
Librarian's Special Achievement Award, Library of Congress, 2015  
Hubert Humphrey Award for Public Service, APSA, 2024

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- **National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Grant, 2020, White House Historical Association**  
--Project Director for \$191,710 grant from the NEH to provide virtual access to the White House during the pandemic.
- **Project Manager, CRS Capstone Project with the LBJ School at the University of Texas, 2011-2012, with Jacob Straus and Matthew Glassman**  
--Co-led yearlong project on social media use by Congress in conjunction with Professor Sherri Greenberg, University of Texas; assisted in the collection of the largest coded social media/Congress dataset in existence at such time.
- **Project Manager, CRS Capstone Project with the Bush School at Texas A&M University, 2009-2010**  
--Led yearlong project on diversity in public policy professionals in conjunction with Professor Jeryl Mumpower, Texas A&M
- **Interviewer, Presidential Oral History Project, Miller Center, University of Virginia, 2003-2005**  
-- Conducted two-day interview with Clinton presidential speechwriters Michael Waldman and Jeff Shesol  
-- Conducted interview with George H.W. Bush political adviser Ron Kaufman  
-- Conducted two-day interview with Clinton presidential speechwriter Donald Baer  
-- Conducted two-day interview with First Lady Hillary Clinton's chief of staff, Melanne Verveer

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- **Georgetown University**  
--*Congress and Policymaking*, graduate seminar (Spring 2008)  
--*American Political Development*, graduate seminar (Spring 2010 through 2021, 2025 – present)  
--Doctoral comprehensive exams panel, Department of History (2011)
- **George Mason University**  
--*The American Presidency*, undergraduate course

- Seminar in Congress and the Presidency*, graduate course
- The American Presidency*, graduate course
- Introduction to American Politics*, undergraduate course
- Senior honors thesis adviser
- Dissertation and Master's thesis adviser

- **University of Virginia Honors Program**

- Outside examiner for undergraduate honors students, American Politics, May 2005

#### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Political Science Association (APSA)  
Presidents and Executive Politics Research Section and Legislative Studies Research Section
- National Capital Area Political Science Association (former president of NCAPSA)
- Friends of Mt. Vernon
- American Library Association (2016-2019)
- National Women's History Museum charter member

#### PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY SERVICE/BOARDS

- U.S. Capitol Historical Society, Board of Directors, 2026 - present
- Library of Congress National Book Festival Interviewer (Interviewed David Baldacci, Historian Ron White, Tara Westover, Ron Chernow, TJ Klune, Newt Gingrich)
- APSA Executive Council 2016-2019 (elected)
- APSA Beryl Radin Pracademic Fellowship, Selection Panel, 2015-2019
- National Capital Area Political Science Association, President, 2013-2014
- Stennis Fellowship Mentor for Emerging Congressional Staff Leadership Program, 2014
- Richard Neustadt Award panel for Best Book on the Presidency, 2013 and 2022
- APSA Centennial Center Advisory Board, 2012-2015
- Presidency and Executive Politics Council, APSA, 2013-2016
- Chair, Legislative Studies Section, Alan Rosenthal Prize committee, 2012
- APPAM (Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management) Policy Council elected member, 2010-2014, Politics and Policy section organizer for 2013 APPAM conference
- Yale University Graduate School Alumni Board (GSAA) 2008-2012
- Secretary of GSAA, 2011-2012

- Adviser, Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science Honor Society, George Mason, 2004-2006
- College of Arts and Sciences, CAS Council, George Mason University, 2003-2005
- University Standing Committee, Disciplinary Appeals, George Mason, 2003-2005
- Mentor, Dream Catcher Program, George Mason University, 2002-2004
- Adviser, Minor in American Government, Department of Public and International Affairs
- Yale Graduate Student Assembly
  - Representative of the Political Science Department; served on the Graduate School Disciplinary Committee; advised the Dean of the Graduate School (Susan Hockfield) on official policy as one of six student members of the Graduate School Executive Committee