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EDUCATION

August 1995-
June 2002

Stanford University – Palo Alto, CA
JD/PhD (Political Science)
Activities, Awards & Honors: Teaching/Research Assistant – Political Science, University Provost Search Committee; Law School Faculty Appointment Committee; NSF Graduate Fellow; Lane Graduate Fellow

August 1992-
June 1995

Harvard University – Cambridge, MA
A.B. (Government, magna cum laude)
Activities, Awards & Honors: Honors Thesis, Research Assistant to Judge A. Leon Higginbotham, Harvard College Scholarship; Advanced Placement Scholar, with Distinction; Co-Founder, Harvard Association Cultivating Inter-American Democracy; Charter Member, Harvard Mediation Service

EMPLOYMENT

July 2010 –

University of North Carolina School of Law – Chapel Hill, NC
Associate Professor of Law (current)
Teaching areas: Election Law, Comparative Constitutional Law, Law & Social Science, Legislation, American Politics

July 2005 –
July 2010

University of Southern California School of Law -- Los Angeles, CA
Associate Professor of Law & Political Science (2007- 2010)
Assistant Professor of Law & Political Science (2005 - 2007)
Teaching areas: Election Law, Civil Procedure, Comparative Constitutional Law, American Politics
Committee Service: Clerkship Committee (2005-present), University Strategic Planning Panel (2005, 2009)

July 2005 -
July 2009

Harvard University -- Cambridge, MA
Visiting Scholar/ Affiliated Faculty, Department of Government

January 2004 -
June 2005

Vanderbilt University Law School – Nashville, TN
Inaugural Vanderbilt Fellow & Instructor in Law
Teaching areas: Election Law, Comparative Constitutional Law

July 2003-
January 2004

South Africa Constitutional Court – Johannesburg, South Africa
Foreign Law Clerk to former Chief Justice Sandile Ngcobo

August 2002- July 2003	**U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit – Washington, DC** *Law Clerk to Judge Harry Edwards*
June 2001 & May-June 2002	**Jenner & Block, LLP – Chicago, IL & Washington, DC** *Assisted Legal Team on National Redistricting Issues*

PUBLICATIONS

The Art of Racial Dissent in the Age of Obama, 89 CHICAGO-KENT LAW REV. (forthcoming, 2014)

Unteachable: Shelby County, Canonical Apostasies, and Ways Forward for Voting Rights, 67 SMU L. REV. __ (with Terry Smith) (forthcoming, 2014)

Five Justices, Section 4 & Three Ways Forward, 8 DUKE J. OF CONST. LAW & PUB. POL. __ (with Jane Junn) (forthcoming, 2014)

Meet the New "New South" Book Review of THE NEW MIND OF THE SOUTH, (Tracy Thompson , 2013) DEMOCRACY: A JOURNAL OF IDEAS (2013)

Book Review of THE MOST FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT: CONTRASTING PERSPECTIVES ON THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, (Daniel McCool, ed., 2012)) 34 AMER. REV. OF POL. __ *(2013)*

Gender Bound?Making Sense of Female Candidates in American Politics, 80 GEO. WASH. L. REV. 101 (2013)

Sword, Shield, & Compass: The Uses and Misuses of Racially Polarized Voting in Voting Rights Enforcement, 64 RUTGERS L. REV. 973 (2012)

The Changing Face of the Congressional Black Caucus, 19 S. CAL. INTERDISCIPLINARY L. J. 43 (2010)

Reinventing Voting Rights Preclearance, 44 IND. L. REV. 201 (2010)

You May Not Get There With Me: Barack Obama and the Black Political Establishment in BARACK OBAMA AND BLACK POLITICAL EMPOWERMENT, MANNING MARABLE & KRISTEN CLARKE eds. (Palgrave Press, 2009)

Interactive Pre-clearance Development, 27 ST. LOUIS PUB. L. REV. 319 (2008)

Bartlett v. Strickland: Unveiling the Roberts Court Philosophy on Election Law, 7 ELECTION L. J. 347 (2008)

Introduction to the Reports: Assessing Progress of the Voting Rights Act, 17 USC REV. OF L. & SOC. JUST. 65 (2008)

Beat 'Em or Join 'Em?: White Voters and Black Candidates in Majority-Minority Districts, 58 SYRACUSE L. REV. 547 (2007)

Legislatures and Racial Redistricting: Thinking Seriously About White Democrats in BEYOND THE COLOR LINE, (Alex Willingham , ed.) (NYU Press, 2002)

What's New about the New South? (Ph.D. Dissertation, Stanford University: Dept. of Political Science, 2002)

Works in Progress

The Truth & Consequences of Felon Disenfranchisement (in progress)

The Political Consequences of De-Racialized Election Reform (in progress)

Litigation & Other Scholarly-Related Writings

Amicus Brief of the North Carolina Legislative Black Caucus in North Carolina Supreme Court case *Dickson v. Rucho* (argued, 2014)

Amicus Brief of Political Science & Law Professors in U.S. Supreme Court case *Shelby County v. Holder* (argued, 2013)

Mapping Proposal and Summary of the African American Resource Collaborative (CA Redistricting) (2011)

Mapping Proposal and Summary of the Coalition for Fairness in Redistricting (City of Los Angeles Redistricting) (2012)

Amicus Brief of Senate Democratic Caucus of Pennsylvania (contributor) in *Applewhite v. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania*, Docket No. 330 MD (argued, 2012)

Amicus Brief of Congressional Black, Hispanic, and Asian Pacific Caucuses in U.S. Supreme Court case *NAMUDNO v. Holder* No. 08-322 (argued, 2009)

Amicus Brief of Congressional Black Caucus (contributor) in U.S. Supreme Court case *Bartlett v. Strickland* No. 07-689 (argued, 2008)

The Redistricting Game www.theredistrictinggame.com Online Persuasive Game (2007)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Advanced Topics on Election Law
USC Law School (2007, 2008)

Civil Procedure

USC Law School (2005, 2006, 2007, 2009)

Civil & Political Rights & Liberties
USC Department of Political Science (2007)

Comparative Constitutional Law
UNC Law School (2010, 2012, 2013)
USC Law School (2006, 2009, 2010)
Vanderbilt University Law School (2005)

Election Law
UNC Law School (2010, 2011, 2012)
USC Law School (2005-2010)
Vanderbilt University Law School (2005)

Legislative Process
UNC Law School (2012, 2013)

Law & Social Science
UNC Law School (2011)

Southern Politics
Vanderbilt University Department of Political Science (2004)

RESEARCH AREAS

Political Science

Procedure

Race and Politics

Elections & Voting Rights

American Political Institutions

Southern Politics

Election Administration

Campaigns and Elections

Comparative Constitutional Law

INVITED PAPERS & CONFERENCES

Upcoming Panels & Workshops

2014 **University of Georgia Working In the Public Interest Conference**
The Road Ahead in Voting Rights Litigation

2014 **University of Mississippi Law Review Symposium**
The Future of Voting Rights Enforcement

2014 **Thurgood Marshall School of Law Annual Civil Rights Symposium**
The Law of Voting Rights: Past, Present, and Future

2014 **Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting**
Panel: Fifty Years of Civil Rights Enforcement

2014 **UNC American Politics Research Group**
Why Demographics are not Destiny in Voting Rights Law

Selected Talks, Workshops & Presentations

2013 **Chicago-Kent Law School Symposium**
Presenter on Race and Political Dissent

2013 **University of Witwatersrand Law School (South Africa) Guest Lecture**
Voting Rights Redux: The Roberts Court Retrogression on the Franchise

2013 **Alabama Voter Education and Registration Alliance**
Keynote: Five Justices, Section Four, and Three Paths Forward for Voting Rights

2013 **UNC Institute of African American Research**
Moral Mondays: Reflection on the Civil Rights Era

2013 **UNC Law School Faculty Workshop**
The Truth & Consequences of Felon Disenfranchisement

2013 **University of California, Berkeley: Voting Rights Symposium**
Panel on *Shelby County v. Holder*

2013 **Charleston College of Law: Federal Courts Law Review Symposium**
Panel on Political Participation and *Shelby County v. Holder*

2013 **Jones School of Law: Fred Gray Symposium**
The Policing of the Voting Booth

2012 **UNC Center for the Study of the American South**
Hutchins Lecture: Politics, Race and a New Voting Rights Act

2012 **George Washington University Law School**
The Law of Democracy Symposium

2012 **University of Missouri Law School Workshop**
The Truth & Consequences of Felon Disenfranchisement

2012 **Jones School of Law: Fred Gray Symposium**
The Impact of Local Counsel in Reapportionment Cases

2011 **Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation**
Featured Speaker: North Carolina & the Challenge to Redistricting Reform

2011 **University of Toronto Law School Workshop**
The Truth & Consequences of Felon Disenfranchisement

2011 **Montgomery County Bar Association Annual Seminar**
Featured Speaker: The Right to Vote & the Roberts Court

2011 **University of California Irvine Law School**
The "New" Politics of Class & Race

2011 **North Carolina League of Women Voters**
Featured Speaker: The Legal Terrain in Redistricting 2010

2010 **Lat Crit XV Annual Conference**
Paper: The Presidential Identity Crisis – The "New" Politics of Class & Race

2010 **NAACP LDF Airlie Conference**
Panelist: Expert Witnesses in Voting Rights & Redistricting

2010 **National People of Color Conference**
Paper: Constitutional Cost-Benefit Analysis and Voting Rights Preclearance

2010 **UNC Center for Civil Rights: The Unfinished Work Symposium**
Moderator: Voting Rights & Election Law Panel

2010 **University of Baltimore Voting Rights Symposium**
The Political Consequences of "De-Racialized" Election Reform

2010 **UCLA Critical Race Studies Symposium**
Presentation: The New Rules of Race and Politics in the Obama Era

2010 **Indiana University Law School Voting Rights Symposium**
Paper: Constitutional Cost-Benefit Analysis and Voting Rights Preclearance

2010 **Pepperdine Law School Faculty Workshop**
Paper: Reinventing VRA Pre-Clearance

2010 **USC Faculty Workshop**
Paper: Reinventing VRA Pre-Clearance

2010 **AALS Civil Rights Section Panel**
Paper: The Political Consequences of De-Racialized Election Reform

2009 **Princeton University Constitutional Law "Schmooze"**
Paper: Constitutional Cost-Benefit Analysis and Voting Rights Preclearance

2009 **UC Berkeley Redistricting Workshop (Washington, DC)**
Paper: A Regime of Voting Rights In The Age of Reform

2009 **UC Davis Faculty Workshop**
Paper: Reinventing VRA Pre-Clearance

2009 **University of Texas Interdisciplinary Workshop**
Paper: Obama's Official Identity Crisis

2008 **USC-Caltech CSLP Politics Symposium**
Paper: Is the Superdelegate Selection System an Oxymoron?

2008 **Legal Defense Fund Airlie Conference**
Presentation: *Bartlett v. Strickland* and the Future of Racial Vote Dilution

2008 **University of Washington Political Participation Workshop**
Paper: Hopes & Fears about Race and the Presidential Election

2008 **St. Johns Law School Ronald Brown Symposium:**
Paper: Past As Prologue? Race and Gender Patterns in the Democratic Primaries

2008 **NAACP Legal Defense Fund Airlie Conference**
Presentation: *Bartlett v. Strickland* and the Future of Racial Vote Dilution

2008 **Conference on Empirical Legal Studies**
Paper: The Changing Face of the Congressional Black Caucus

2008 **Congressional Black Caucus Annual Legislative Weekend**
Presentation: The Roberts Court and the New State of Voting Rights

2007 **USC Faculty Workshop**
Presentation: The Changing Face of the Congressional Black Caucus

2007 **Washington & Lee Faculty Workshop**
Paper: White Voters in Majority-Black Districts

2006 **SALT Symposium: University of Witswatersrand (South Africa)**
Paper: Importing Election Reform from Abroad: Lessons from South Africa

2006 **USC Civic Participation Workshop**
Paper: When You Can't Beat Them

2006 **Vanderbilt University Empirical Studies Seminar**
Paper: Assessing Racial Polarization in Congressional Elections

2005 **American Political Science Association Annual Conference**
Mid-Life Crisis or Dead Law Walking? The Voting Rights Act at 40

1998 **Conference on Southern Politics**
Are White Democrats the Missing Link to Redistricting?

HONORS, PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS & OTHER EMPLOYMENT

Named *Lawyers of Color* 50 Most Influential Minority Law Professors (2013)

Member, U.S. Supreme Court Bar (admitted, 2013)

Member, Advisory Panel on Redistricting Reform Irvine Foundation (2009)

Co-Director, Political Participation Workshop, USC Center for the Study of Law and Politics (2006)

Member, State Bar of Maryland (admitted, 2002)

Member, American Political Science Association

Member, American Bar Association

Member, National Bar Association