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**Academic Appointments**

April 2022-Present Interim President

Assumption University

July 2019-April 2022 Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Assumption University

July 2019-Present Visiting Scholar

American Enterprise Institute

September 2018-Present Founding Director

Daniel Patrick Moynihan Center for Scholarship and Statesmanship

Assumption University

2011-Present Professor of Political Science (Assistant 2011, Associate 2016, Full

2022)

Assumption University

2010-2011 Postdoctoral Research Associate

Political Theory Project

Brown University

**Education**

Ph.D. (Government) Georgetown University (2005-2010)

Major: Political Theory

Minors: Philosophy, American Government

Dissertation (Defended with Distinction):

“Madison’s Metronome: The Constitution

and the Tempo of American Politics”

Areas of Major Comprehensive Examination

(Passed with Distinction): Ancient, Long 18th Century, American and Liberal Political Thought

M.A. (Liberal Studies) Georgetown University (2002-2005)

Concentration: Theory and Practice of American Democracy

Thesis: “Needles in Madison’s Haystack: Minority Factions and Pressure Group Politics in the ‘Extended Republic’”

Advisor: George W. Carey

B.A. (Government) University of Texas at Austin (1987-1991)

**Other Professional**

1999-2010 Content Communications, LLC

Arlington, Virginia

Founder and president of political and public relations writing firm. Wrote speeches and op-eds for national political figures—including Cabinet officials, governors, senators and members of Congress—as well as leading corporate executives.

* 1. U.S. Senator J. Robert Kerrey

Washington, D.C.

Several positions as senior aide to prominent member of U.S. Senate, including press secretary, communications director and policy director.

1996 [leave of absence] Morales for U.S. Senate

Dallas, Texas

Statewide campaign manager for Democratic nominee for U.S. Senate. Coordinated strategy, served as principal media

spokesperson, managed staff of more than 20 and supervised budget of more than $1 million in Senate campaign that garnered national and international attention.

1992-1993 U.S. Senators Lloyd Bentsen and Bob Krueger

Washington, D.C.

Positions included staff assistant and deputy press secretary.

1991-1992 *Williamson County Sun*

Georgetown, Texas

Reporter and editor for local newspaper in Central Texas.

**Publications**

Books

*Madison’s Metronome: The Constitution, Majority Rule and the Tempo of American Politics*,

University Press of Kansas (March 2012)

*American Burke: The Uncommon Liberalism of Daniel Patrick Moynihan,* University Press

of Kansas (February 2015)

*Old Whigs: Burke, Lincoln and the Politics of Prudence* (Encounter Books, June 2019)

*The Political Constitution: The Case Against Judicial Supremacy* (University Press of Kansas,

August 2019)

Books in Preparation

*The Political Writings of James Madison* (co-edited with Alan Gibson, under contract with

Cambridge University Press)

*Politics and Limits* (under contract with Yale University Press)

Articles

“James Madison and the Legitimacy of Majority Factions,” *American Political Thought* 2:2

(Fall 2013)

“Machiavelli’s Inflationary Economy of Violence: Notes on the Story of Agathocles,”

*Interpretation* 42:2 (Winter 2016)

Book Chapters

“‘The Cool and Deliberate Sense of the Community’: *The Federalist* on Congress*,”* *Cambridge*

*Companion to* The Federalist (2019)

“Is There No Virtue Among Us? James Madison and the Office of the American Citizen,”

*Citizenship and Civic Leadership in America* (2022).

Reference

“John Adams,” *Blackwell’s Encyclopedia of Political Thought*

“Separation of Powers,” *Blackwell’s Encyclopedia of Political Thought*

“Daniel Patrick Moynihan,” *Encyclopedia of American Governance*

Reviews

“Lincoln and the Moral Dimension of Compromise,” Review Essay on *The Broken Constitution* by

Noah Feldman, *American Political Thought* 11:2 (Spring 2022)

Review of *Crisis of the Two Constitutions* by Charles Kesler, *National Review* (June 24, 2021)

Review of *Commerce and Manners in Edmund Burke’s Political Economy* by Gregory M. Collins,

*The Independent Review* (Fall 2021:

https://www.independent.org/publications/tir/article.asp?id=1655)

Review of *John Adams and the Fear of American Oligarchy* by Luke Mayville, *Review of Politics*

*80:1* (2018)

“The Cussedness of Nathan Glazer,” Review Essay on *When Ideas Mattered: A Nathan Glazer*

*Reader,* Joseph Dorman and Leslie Lenkowsky, eds., *Society* (May 2018)

Review of *The Papers of James Madison: Retirement Series, Volume 3,* David B. Matter, et. al., eds.,

*Early American Literature* 52:3 (2017)

Review Essay on *Reflections on the Revolution in France and Other Writings,* ed. Jesse Norman,

*Society* (July 2018)

“James Madison Problems,” Review Essay on *The Mind of James Madison* by Colleen

Sheehan, *Madison’s Hand* by Mary Sarah Bilder, and *James Madison and the Problem of Constitutional Imperfection* by Jeremy Bailey, *Journal of the Early Republic* (Winter 2016/2017)

“The Birth of Tragedy,” Review Essay on *Reinhold Niebuhr: Major Works on Religion and Politics,*

ed. Elisabeth Sifton, *Society* (August 2016)

Review of *Ambition in America* by Jeffrey A. Becker, *American Political Thought* (Fall

2015)

Review of *The Intellectual Life of Edmund Burke* by David Bromwich, *Society* (April 2015)

Review of *Edmund Burke: The First Conservative* by Jesse Norman and *The Great Debate:*

*Edmund Burke, Thomas Paine and the Birth of Right and Left* by Yuval Levin, *Society* (August 2014)

Review of *Moynihan’s Moment* by Gil Troy, *Society* (December 2013)

Review of *Cosmic Constitutional Theory* by Judge J. Harvie Wilkinson III, *Society*

(March 2013)

**Non-Refereed Writings**

*National Constitution Center*

“‘The Ultimate Justice of the People’: Madison, Public Opinion and the Internet Age,” 2017

*New York Times*

“Impeachment’s Political Heart,” May 18, 2017

“The President’s Self-Destructive Disruption,” October 11, 2017

“The Power of the Courts is Messing Up Politics,” November 12, 2017

“The Scoundrel Theory of American Politics,” December 8, 2017

“How Not to Impeach,” January 2, 2018

“Wayne LaPierre’s Unconstitutionalism,” February 28, 2018

“When Liberals Become Progressives, Much is Lost,” April 13, 2018

“Let’s Rain on Trump’s Parade,” June 1, 2018

“Congress Doesn’t Seem to Know its Own Strength,” June 21, 2018

“Judge Kavanaugh Is One Angry Man,” October 1, 2018

“Nancy Pelosi’s First Order of Business Should Be to Reclaim the Power of the House,” November

9, 2018

“For Trump, the Personal is Political,” January 19, 2019

“Our Constitutional Emergency,” March 26, 2019

“It’s Not Always the End of the World,” May 26, 2019

“The Trump Fallacy,” June 30, 2019

“The Shallow Cynicism of ‘Everything Is Rigged’” August 25, 2019

“Trump Has Overplayed His Hand,” September 26, 2019

“Are We Sure We Want to Give Trump War Powers?” March 25, 2020

“Don’t Let Trump’s Cult of Personality Make Covid-19 Worse,” April 8, 2020

“Anti-Lockdown Rebels Don’t Get to Choose Their Own Constitution,” May 31, 2020

“The Towering Lies of President Trump,” September 11, 2020

“Donald Trump’s Alternate Constitutional Reality,” October 9, 2020

“How Do We Get to Herd Immunity for Fake News?” December 14, 2020

“You Really Shouldn’t Care About a President’s First 100 Days,” May 6, 2021

“This Is No Way to Rule a Country,” August 9, 2021

“There Is Another Democrat AOC Should be Mad At,” November 26, 2021

*Washington Post*

“It’s all about the president now,” October 26, 2017

“There will be no winners in the Supreme Court’s wedding cake case,” December 4, 2017

“No, Congress should not protect Robert Mueller,” February 1, 2018

“Why the conservative move would be to dismiss the Supreme Court’s gun case,” December 10,

2019

*Society*

“Of Principle and Prudence: Reflections on Lincoln’s Second Inaugural at 150,” 52:6

(December 2015)

*National Affairs*

“Moynihan and the Neocons,” Winter 2016

“A Constitutional Welfare State,” Fall 2016

“Trump and Truth,” Spring 2017

“After Federalist No. 10,” Fall 2017

“A Madisonian Reform,” Spring 2019

“The Moralistic Style in American Politics,” Fall 2019

“Prudence, Protests and Pandemics,” Summer 2020

“A More Honorable Partisanship,” Spring 2021

“Liberty and the Conquest of Chance,” Winter 2022

*National Review* *Online*

“Burning Down His House,” May 19, 2017

“The Return of Congressional Government” (with Richard M. Reinsch II), September 5, 2017

“Russia’s Election Meddling and the Credulous American,” February 20, 2018

“Trump’s Economics of Exhortation,” July 16, 2018

“Elizabeth Warren’s Limitless Ideology,” September 26, 2019

“Trump’s Sycophants Are His Worst Enemies,” November 12, 2019

“When It Comes to Impeachment, Nothing Should Be Inevitable,” December 18, 2019

“Everything Doesn’t Have to Be about Trump,” January 6, 2020

“Jacobinism in Golden Gate Park,” June 22, 2020

“Edmund Burke and Abraham Lincoln, ‘All in All,’” July 7, 2020

“Cancel Culture Is Not the Problem; Conformity Culture Is,” September 10, 2020

“The Conservative Reckoning Doesn’t Have to End Badly,” January 24, 2021

*The Atlantic (Online)*

“The Not-So-Supreme Court,” September 25, 2019

“Due-Process Rights Don’t Apply in an Impeachment Trial,” January 28, 2020

*The Bulwark Online*

“Sohrab Ahmari, First Things, and the High Church of Victimology,” June 3, 2019

“The Problem With the Democrats’ ‘No Enemies to the Left’ Strategy,” June 11, 2019

“Silence of the Reluctant Trumpers,” July 15, 2019

“Continue the Investigation. Begin the Impeachment,” October 15, 2019

“Bill Barr’s Grand Presidency,” November 21, 2019

“There Is a Deal Republicans and Democrats Can Make on Impeachment,” January 29, 2020

“The Eternal Sunshine of Trump’s Spotless Mind,” May 2, 2020

“Who Cares if Trump ‘Accepts’ the Election? Not the Constitution,” August 27, 2020

“It’s Not (Just) About Competence,” September 8, 2020

*Extensions: Journal of the Carl Albert Congressional Research and Studies Center*

“Majorities and Madisonian Paradoxes,” Summer 2014

*Modern Age*

“The Founding Fathers: A Conserving Caucus in Action,” (co-authored with George W.

Carey, January 2014)

“Conservatism’s Constitutional Moment,” Spring 2017

*Real Clear Public Affairs*

“Republican Self-Government vs. Judicial Supremacy,” October 29, 2020

*Online Library of Law and Liberty* (Contributing Editor)

“Congress and Deliberation in the Age of Wilson: An Elegy,” March 2013

“Evaluating the Moynihan Report on the Negro Family 50 Years Later,” March 2015

“He Tried to Warn Us: Hayek on Trump,” January 2017

“The Price of Trump: Reflections on Year One of an Unconventional Presidency,” January 2018

More than 150 other op-ed-length essays on constitutional issues and current events

*The Constitutionalist* (in addition to brief blog postings)

“The Dangers of Telocratic Politics,” December 10, 2020

“Corruption and Arrogance in American Politics,” December 21, 2020

“We Need a Memorably Forgettable President,” January 28, 2021

“The Trial Is the Nation’s Work,” February 9, 2021

“Impeachment Is About a Public Trust, Not a President’s Rights,” February 25, 2021

“The Unconservatism of Personality Cults,” March 11, 2021

“The Filibuster May Be Prudent. It Is Not Madisonian,” April 16, 2021

“Who Needs Plausibility,” May 11, 2021

“Principle, not Institutionalism, at the Supreme Court,” June 10, 2021

“Principled Consistency: The First Casualty of *Roe,”* September 7, 2021

“What Do We Owe the Founders?” October 4, 2021

*Huffington Post*

“Fifty Years Ago, Daniel Patrick Moynihan Was Right,” April 12, 2015

“What Pat Moynihan Actually Said,” May 27, 2015

“The Unconservatism of Micromanaging the Poor,” June 5, 2015

“This Constitution Day, Teach the Whole Document,” September 16, 2016

“What Liberals Owe Daniel Patrick Moynihan,” December 6, 2017

**Teaching**

Assumption University

Edmund Burke’s *Reflections on the Revolution in France*

The American Founding

The American Congress

American Political Thought

Problems in Civil Liberties

Constitutional Law

Political Issues: The Quest for Justice

American Government

Burke, Paine and the Politics of Rights (Senior Seminar)

Political Thought of Practicing Statesmen

Theology of the American Founding (co-taught)

U.S. Judiciary

Burke’s *Reflections on the Revolution in France*

Brown University:

Capitalism: For and Against

Authority and Legitimacy: Basis and Boundaries of Majority Rule

Georgetown University:

American Political Thought

*The Federalist* on Current Affairs

Johns Hopkins University Advanced Academic Programs

American Political Thought

History of American Political Communication

Speechwriting: Composition and Delivery

*Teaching Competencies*

American Politics, Congress, Civil Liberties, Constitutional Law/Judiciary, Introduction to/History of

Political Thought, American Political Thought, Democratic Theory, Social Contract Theory/Liberalism, 18th Century Political Thought, American Government, Political Rhetoric

**Presentations**

2021 “Daniel Patrick Moynihan’s Address on Zionism as Racism,” Tikvah Fund

2021 “What Do We Owe the Founders?” Constitution Day Lecture, College of the Holy Cross

2021 *The Federalist* and Current Events, course for Hertog Foundation Summer Institute

2020 “Edmund Burke,” course for Hertog Foundation Summer Institute

2019 “Edmund Burke,” course for Hertog Foundation Summer Institute

2018 “The Dilemma of a Judicial Rencounter,” Harvard University Program on Constitutional Government

2018 “The Telos of the First Amendment: The Case of Campaign Finance,” Constitution Day Lecture, Georgetown University

2018 “Defining Decency Down,” Constitution Day Lecture, American University

2018 “The Politics of Impeachment,” Constitution Day Lecture, Belmont Abbey College

2017 “The Constitutional Status of the Judiciary,” American Political Science Association

2017 “‘The Stable Foundation of Nature’: James Wilson’s Critique of Edmund Burke,” Midwest Political Science Association

2016 “The Old Regime and the New Deal,” American Political Science Association

2016 “American Burke: The Uncommon Liberalism of Daniel Patrick Moynihan,” Kansas City Public Library

2016 “The Old Regime and the New Deal,” Southern Political Science Association

2015 “James Madison and Public Opinion,” Constitution Day panel with Colleen Sheehan

and Jeremy Bailey, College of the Holy Cross

2015 “James Madison and the Bill of Rights,” Constitution Day panel with Colleen

Sheehan and Jeremy Bailey, Assumption College

2015 “Independent of Heaven Itself,” Constitution Day Lecture, Texas State University

2015 “Of Prudence and Principle: Reflections on Lincoln’s Second Inaugural at 150,”

Paideia Colloquium, Assumption College

2015 “‘The Dilemma of a Judicial Rencounter’: James Madison, the Judiciary, and

Constitutional Interpretation,” Robert H. Smith Center for the Constitution at James Madison’s Montpelier (Presentation to Staff)

2015 “‘The Nurse of Aggrandizement’: Woodrow Wilson, World War I and the Executive State,” Assumption College

2015 “John Quincy Adams’ 1791 ‘Letters of Publicola’: Reconsidering the Founding,” American Political Science Association

2015 “Daniel Patrick Moynihan: The Scholar as Statesman, the Statesman as Scholar,”

Midwest Political Science Association

2014 “Restoration without Romance,” Constitution Day Lecture, Boise State University

2013 “Congress’ Constitutional Capitulation,” University of Oklahoma Department of

Political Science and Institute for American Constitutional Heritage

2013 “Why We’re Wrong About Rights: George W. Carey on Individualism, Community

and the Contemporary Condition,” American Political Science Association

2013 “When Veneration Becomes Excessive: James Madison on Constitutional

Amendments,” American Political Science Association(co-authored with Benjamin A. Kleinerman)

2013 “Needles in Madison’s Haystack: Minority Factions and Pressure Group Politics in

the ‘Extended Republic,’” Midwest Political Science Association

2012 “A Conversation on the Presidency,” Assumption College

2012 “When Veneration Becomes Excessive: James Madison on Constitutional

Amendments,” Midwest Political Science Association(co-authored with Benjamin A. Kleinerman)

2011 “Quantum Constitutionalism,” American Political Science Association

2010 “Temporal Republicanism,” Brown University Political Philosophy Workshop

2010 “‘The Collision and Contagion of the Passions:’ Factions, Justice and the Extent of Popular Authority in Federalist 10,” Northeast Political Science Association

2008 “‘The Mild Voice of Reason’: James Madison and the Tempo of American

Democracy,” Southern Political Science Association

2007 “The Is, the Ought Not and the Oven of Akhnai: Faith and Reason in Strauss’ *Natural*

*Right and History,”* Midwest Political Science Association

2006 “Mr. Cheney, Meet Mr. Agathocles: Torture, Terrorism and Machiavelli’s ‘Economy

of Violence,’” Northeastern Political Science Association

2006 “Raising Money, Raising Hackles: **Analyzing Interest Group Response to Supreme**

**Court Decisions through Direct Mail Solicitations,” Southern Political Science Association (co-author)**

**Panels and Conferences**

2016 Panel Chair, “Bruce Frohnen and George W. Carey’s *Constitutional Morality and the Rise of Quasi-Law,”* American Political Science Association

2016 Panelist, “Toleration, the Constitution and the Limits of an Open Society,”

Alexander Hamilton Institute

2015 Invited Participant and Presenter, “The Moynihan Report at 50: Reflections, Realities and Prospects,” Princeton University

2015 Director, “Basis and Boundaries of Majority Rule,” Liberty Fund Colloquium

2015 Discussant, “American Political Thought: Founding Perspectives,” Midwest Political

Science Association

2015 Panel, “The Moynihan Report at Fifty,” U.S. Society for Intellectual History

2015 Invited Participant, “Executive Power and Constitutional Government,” Liberty Fund

2015 Invited Participant, “Congress, the Constitution and Contemporary Politics,”

American Enterprise Institute

2015 Invited Participant, “Liberty and Executive Power in the United States Constitution,”

Cato Institute/Liberty Fund

2013 Discussant, “Political Theory in the American Founding and Antebellum Era,”

Midwest Political Science Association

2013 Invited Participant, “Limiting Majoritarianism in Republican Constitutional Theory,”

Liberty Fund Colloquium

2012 Invited Participant, “Liberty and the Paradoxes of Democracy,” Liberty Fund

Colloquium

2012 Invited Participant, “John Marshall and His Critics,” Liberty Fund Colloquium

2010 Panel Discussant, “Rights, Consent, and the Scope of Political Power in America,”

Northeast Political Science Association

2010 Panel Chair and Discussant, “Contextualizing Deliberative Democracy, Public

Justification, and the Politically Possible,” Northeast Political Science Association

2010 Invited Participant, “The Founding and Re-Founding of America,” Lehrman

American Studies Seminar at Harvard University

2009 Discussant, “Joseph Addison’s Cato,” Georgetown University Political Theory

Colloquium

2009 Invited Participant: “James Madison and the Extended Republic: Size,

Republicanism, and Liberty in the Early Republic,” Liberty Fund Colloquium

2008 Invited Participant: Summer Institute, Jack Miller Center for the Teaching of

America’s Founding Principles

**Honors and Awards**

2019 Presidential Award for Excellence in Scholarship, Assumption University

2017 Faculty “Above and Beyond” Award, Student Government Association, Assumption University

2011 Jack Miller Center, Chairman’s Award for Best Dissertation in American Political Thought

2010 Georgetown University Harold N. Glassman Award for Best Dissertation in the Social Sciences

2009 Best Self-Taught Course by a Graduate Student, Georgetown University

(“*The Federalist* on Current Affairs”)

2006 Best Graduate Student Paper in Political Theory, Georgetown University

(“To Try Experiments Merely Upon Philosophy: Hume, Montesquieu and the Tenth

Federalist”)

**Service**

Program Chair, American Political Thought Section, American Political Science Association (2018)

Tenure and Evaluation Committee, Assumption College, 2018

Committee on Restructuring, Assumption College, 2018-2019

Member, Madisonian Commission, National Constitution Center (2017)

Chair, Standing Committee on General Education, Assumption College, 2015-2016, 2016-2017

Core Curriculum Mission Statement Committee, Assumption College, 2015-2016

Secretary and Executive Committee Member, Assumption College Faculty Senate, 2013-

2014, 2014-2015

Director, Minor in Law Ethics and Constitutional Studies, Assumption College

Faculty Advisor, Assumption College Moot Court Club

Academic Assessment, Department of Political Science, Summer 2015

Member, Working Group on Core Curriculum, Assumption College, 2012-2013, 2014

Academic Assessment Plan (Co-Drafting), Department of Political Science, Summer 2012

Manuscript Reviewer, *American Political Science Review, American Political Thought,*

*History of Political Thought, Polity, Law and History Review, Perspectives on*

*Political Science, University Press of Kansas*