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## EDUCATION:

Ph.D., Government, University of Virginia, 1977

B.A., Government, The College of William and Mary, 1973 (Ranked 31 in class of 733)

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Summer Seminars, Princeton University and the University of Iowa, 1979, 1982, 1985

## PROFESSIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE:

**Dean, University Honors College, Middle Tennessee State University**, July 1, 2008 to the present.

The Honors College enrolls approximately 1,000 of 22,000 students on the campus, and involves interaction with a staff of eight full-time and one half-time employee (does not include student workers) and just over 100 honors faculty members. Duties include: service on the Dean's Council, fund-raising, recruiting, and interacting with a Board of Visitors (17 regular, four distinguished, and three ex officio members), Honors Council (14 members) and Student Advisory Board (six members); recruiting students and advertising programs; publicizing and scheduling activities; managing a budget and overseeing staff; working with departments in scheduling classes; overseeing honors proposals and theses; nominating students for prestigious fellowships, publishing magazine, literary journal, and a new journal of undergraduate research; working with honor societies; supervising scholarship programs; working with about 20 other deans, directors, and vice-presidents. Students have received Fulbright (MTSU was recognized as a high-producing school for student Fulbright winners in 2012), USA Today Academic Team, Goldwater, DAAD, Critical Language Scholarships (CLS), Boren, Gilman, Phi Kappa Phi, and Omicron Delta Kappa awards; Rhodes finalist, 2014; two Marshall finalists, 2015; literary magazine and newsletters have both received national awards (the most recent in 2016); founded new research journal; established new transfer fellowship; increased number of honors theses, graduates, and students studying abroad. Significantly increased fund-raising, most notably with a \$2.5 million bequest (and a Nobel medallion) from a prominent alumnus in May, 2013, which has subsequently been supplemented with an additional \$1.277 million. Worked with College of Business to secure a \$3.5 million grant from a private foundation. For recent Honors College magazines, see <https://www.mtsu.edu/honors/newsletters.php>.

**Chair, Department of Political Science, Middle Tennessee State University**, 1989-2008.

Grew the department from eight to 14 full-time faculty members. Offered degrees in political science (approximately 500 majors), emphases in pre-law and public administration, and a degree in international relations; minors in all of the above and in paralegal studies. Worked with several interdisciplinary majors and minors. Responsible for: class scheduling; book orders; faculty development, evaluation, promotion, and tenure; annual evaluations; work with student organizations; scholarships; student advising; and collaboration with faculty on publication and presentations. Increased faculty summer research grants. Two faculty members received Fulbright awards. Founded award-winning mock trial program, and

supported Model U.N. and mediation programs. Proposed new master's degree in international relations, which went into effect in the fall of 2012. Headed University Strategic Plan Committee, 2007.

**Head, Department of Social Sciences, McNeese State University, 1981-1989.**

Department grew from eight to 16 full-time faculty positions. Disciplines included political science, sociology, criminal justice, geography, philosophy, anthropology, and paralegal studies (added during my tenure). Responsible for advising, recruiting, faculty; promotion and tenure decisions; staff evaluation and development, curriculum revision, book orders; and other tasks.

**UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

Professor of Political Science, Middle Tennessee State University, 1989-present (tenured in 1991)

Professor of Political Science, McNeese State University, 1986

Associate Professor of Political Science, McNeese State University, 1981-86 (tenured in 1981)

Assistant Professor of Political Science, McNeese State University, 1977-81

Visiting Lecturer, Department of Political Science, Vanderbilt University, fall 2004, 2008 (taught undergraduate course in Constitutional Interpretation)

Teaching Assistant, University of Virginia, 1974-76

**HONORS AND AWARDS:**

Named as the national Phi Kappa Phi Scholar for 2020-2022. Phi Kappa Phi recognizes one such national scholar and one such artist each biennium.

Inducted into Pi Sigma Alpha (political science honorary) at MTSU on April 4, 2019.

2017-2018 Harold Love Award (the state gives this public service award annually to five students and five faculty members in Tennessee).

Outstanding Career Achievement Award, 2010-2011, MTSU. Award of \$5,000 given to one university member a year for overall work. Eleventh recipient of the award; first individual to get the award while serving as a university dean.

Inducted into the National Society of Collegiate Scholars (NSCS), 2009.

Essential rating by December 2010 issue of *Choice* for 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. of *Encyclopedia of Constitutional Amendments* and in January 2011 for 15<sup>th</sup> ed (my second) of *Essential Supreme Court Decisions*. Starred Review and 2008 Editors' Choice/Reference pick for the *Encyclopedia of the First Amendment*. January 2009. Starred review in January 15, 2009 issue of *Library Journal*, which also listed it in its Best Reference 2008 list. Selected by the Reference and User Services Association (RUSA) of the American Library Association as one of 10 Outstanding Reference Sources for 2009. Highly recommended by *Choice*.

One of two coaches inducted nationwide into the American Mock Trial Association's Coaches Hall of Fame. April 4, 2008. Note: I am one of only six people in the 30-year history of AMTA to have received both this award and the Congressman Neal Smith Award listed below.

Distinguished Scholarship Award. International Lincoln Center, LSU in Shreveport, 2006.

Liberal Arts' Outstanding Advisor of AY 2004-2005.

Innovations Award. Tennessee Board of Regents Distance Education Committee. February 19, 2004.

Recipient of Congressman Neal Smith Award for Outstanding and Exemplary Contributions to Law-Related Education and Its Mission to Promote Public Understanding of Law and the Legal Process. American Mock Trial Association, National Championship Tournament, Des Moines, Iowa, April 2000.

Department Chair award in Distance Learning. 2001. Given by MTSU Office for Continuing Studies for support of faculty developing distance learning classes on campus.

Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society, 1995. Gave keynote speech at MTSU initiation.

Four awards recognizing *Encyclopedia of Constitutional Amendments*. Listed below under publications.

Recipient of MTSU Distinguished Research Award, 1998-99. The University now gives three such awards each year. There is a five-year eligibility requirement between awards. \$3,000.

Recipient of MTSU Distinguished Research Award, 1993. At the time, the University gave one such award each year. \$1,000.

Governor's Fellowship, Virginia, 1974-77

Philip Francis duPont Fellowship, 1973-4

Lychnos Society, (Graduate Honorary), University of Virginia, 1975

President, Debate Team, William and Mary, 1973

Omicron Delta Kappa, William and Mary, 1972

Phi Beta Kappa, William and Mary, 1972

General Honors Program, William and Mary, 1970

#### COURSES TAUGHT DURING CAREER:

Although I have taught a variety of classes during my years as a professor (initially offering classes in political theory, international relations, and comparative government), I have focused on classes in American Government, the U.S. Constitution, and Courtroom Procedure (Mock Trial). I have offered the two-semester constitutional law sequence as both regular and honors classes and have taught a one-semester class at Vanderbilt University on Constitutional Interpretation. I also supervised students in an independent topics class on "Family and Community Building" taught at MTSU by former Vice president Albert Gore, Jr. and outside speakers from throughout the nation. I have offered an interdisciplinary honors seminar in the spring of 2017 and 2019 (UH 3500) on early U.S. documents, which culminated in a trip to Virginia and Washington, D.C.

#### THESIS DEFENSES:

I have been the first reader for four undergraduate theses. As honors dean, I now sit in on approximately 25 to 30 thesis defenses a year and about the same number of thesis proposal meetings.

## PUBLICATIONS:

## AUTHORED SCHOLARLY BOOKS AND TEXTS

*America's National Anthem: "The Star-Spangled Banner" in U.S. History, Culture, and Law.* 2021. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO.

*The Bible in American Law and Politics: A Reference Guide.* 2020. Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield.

*The Liberty Bell and Its Legacy: An Encyclopedia of an American Icon in U.S. History and Culture.* January 2020 by ABC-CLIO.

*More Than a Plea for a Declaration of Rights: The Constitutional and Political Thought of George Mason of Virginia.* Talbot Publishing, 2019. 271 pp + xxi.

*A Constellation of Great Men: Exploring the Character Sketches by Dr. Benjamin Rush of Pennsylvania of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence.* Talbot Publishers, 2019. 261 pp +xix. ,

*The Declaration of Independence: America's First Founding Document in U.S. History and Culture.* ABC-CLIO. 2019. 437pp + xlix.

*The American Flag: An Encyclopedia of the Stars and Stripes in U.S. History, Culture, and Law.* ABC-CLIO. 2018. 440 pp +li. Received starred review.

*Essential Supreme Court Decisions: Summaries of Leading Cases in U.S. Constitutional Law.* 17<sup>th</sup> edition (I am responsible for last four editions). Rowman & Littlefield. 2018. Received a four-starred review "essential" in January 2011 issue of *Choice*. In 2020 the MPP House in India published this book for English readers in that country. The text of the 18<sup>th</sup> edition had been submitted to the publisher and will be published either in 2021 or 2022.

*The Constitutional Convention of 1787: A Comprehensive Encyclopedia of America's Founding,* 2 vols. Revised Second Edition. Talbot Publishing, 2016, 1157 pp. + lxxv. First edition published by ABC-CLIO in 2005.

*Conventional Wisdom: The Alternate Article V Mechanism for Proposing Amendments to the U.S. Constitution.* University of Georgia Press, 2016. 266 pp + xv. .Paperback edition being published in April 2020.

*Encyclopedia of Constitutional Amendments, Proposed Amendments, and Amending Issues, 1789-2015.* 4<sup>th</sup> ed. ABC-CLIO, 2015. Editors' Pick, March 2016 *Choice*. *Encyclopedia of Constitutional Amendments, Proposed Amendments, and Amending Issues, 1789-1995.* (Santa Barbara, California: ABC-CLIO, 1996), 427 pages. Cloth. Scholarly Reference Book. Received a starred review in the November 15, 1996 issue of *The Library Journal* and was subsequently included in its April 15, 1997 list of Best Reference Books of 1996. Listed in *Booklist's* Reference Books of the Year for 1996, and chosen by the Reference and User's Association of the American Library Association as one of the 30 best reference books of 1996. Listed by the *Law Library Journal* (Spring, 1997 issue) as one of the best legal reference books of 1996. Selected in 1997 as an Honor Book in 7-12 social studies by the Society of School Librarians International. Reprinted in 1997. Released as an e-Book in June, 2001. Second edition, *Encyclopedia of Constitutional Amendments, Proposed Amendments, and Amending Issues, 1789-2002,* 635 pp. published in May, 2003. Foreword by Sanford Levinson, law professor at University of Texas at Austin. *Encyclopedia of Constitutional Amendments, Proposed Amendments, and Amending Issues,*

1789-2010, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2010). 2 vols. Received a four-star review in December 2010 issue of *Choice*.

*The U.S. Constitution: One Document, Many Choices*. Palgrave/Macmillan, 2015. 216 pp. Editor's pick January 2016, *Choice*.

*"The Wisest Council in the World": Restoring the Character Sketches by William Pierce of Georgia of the Delegates to the Constitutional Convention of 1787*. The University of Georgia Press, 2015. 186 + xiv pp.

*A Companion to the United States Constitution and its Amendments*. 6<sup>th</sup> ed. ABC-CLIO, 2015. 323 pp. + xvi. First edition (Westport, Connecticut: Praeger, 1993), 223 pages. Simultaneous clothbound and paperback editions. Reference and supplemental text. Second edition, Praeger, 1997. 288 pages, paperback. Third edition, Praeger, 2001, 309 pages, clothbound and paperback editions. Fourth Edition, 2006, clothbound and paperback editions, 327 pages. Fifth edition 2010, 311 pages. Rowman & Littlefield published a paperback edition in 2011. A seventh edition is scheduled for publication in October 2021.

*Re-Framers: 170 Eccentric, Visionary, and Patriotic Proposals to Rewrite the U.S. Constitution*. ABC-CLIO, 2014. 397 + xiv pp.

*The United States Constitution: Questions and Answers*. ABC-CLIO, 2014. First edition 1998. Cloth. Designed for reference libraries for high school students and general readers.

*The Men Who Made the Constitution: Lives of the Delegates to the Constitutional Convention of 1787*. Scarecrow Press, 2013. 447 pp. + xxxvi.

*The Making and Ratification of the U.S. Constitution: Practical Virtue in Action*. Rowman and Littlefield, 2012. 265 pp. + xxv. Reviewed by Craig Hanyan in the *Law and Politics Book Review*, Vol. 22, No. 12, pp. 555-560. Recommended in February, 2013 issue of *Choice*.

*Pleasing the Court: A Mock Trial Handbook*. Houghton Mifflin 1999, 179 pages. Custom published. Designed for students in high school and college mock trial programs. Adopted for mock trial classes throughout the nation. First edition published in 1999. Second edition published in fall, 2001. Third edition published in June, 2005. Fourth edition, 2008. Fifth edition published in December, 2012.

*Presidential Winners and Losers: Words of Victory and Concession*, introduction by Jeffrey Tulis Congressional Quarterly, 2002. xxxii + 380pp. This book features a general introduction, an introduction to each presidential election in U.S. History, and a collection of approximately 500 letters, diary entries, speeches, etc. relating to candidates' reactions to victory and defeat, and a number of appendices. It is the first such book on the topic.

*Constitutional Change in America: A Comparative Study of Constitutional Amendments, Judicial Interpretations, and Legislative and Executive Actions*. Praeger, 1994. 155 pages. Clothbound. Scholarly monograph.

*Contemporary Questions Surrounding the Constitutional Amending Process*. Praeger, 1993. 177 pages. Clothbound. Scholarly monograph.

*The Constitutional Amending Process in American Political Thought*. Praeger, 1992. 222 pages. Clothbound. Scholarly monograph.

*Rewriting the United States Constitution: An Examination of Proposals From Reconstruction to the Present*. Praeger, 1991. 203 pages. Clothbound. Scholarly monograph.

## COAUTHORED SCHOLARLY BOOKS AND STUDY GUIDE

With David Schultz and Michelle D. Deardorff, *Constitutional Law in Contemporary America*, vol. I, *Institutions, Politics, and Process*, Vol. II, *Civil Rights and Liberties*. Oxford University Press, 2011. Revised volumes published by West Academic, 2017.

The second author, with John King, on *The President's Position: Debating the Issues, Presidents From Dwight D. Eisenhower through Lyndon B. Johnson, 1953-1969* for Greenwood Press. 2006.

With Joseph E. Menez, *Summaries of Leading Cases of the Constitution*, 14th (50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) edition Rowman & Littlefield, (2004). 627 pp. Note: As of the 15<sup>th</sup> ed (2010), I am now the single author; see above.

Coauthored a study guide and test bank entitled *On Common Ground: Framework for Democracy Study Guide and Faculty Guide*. McGraw Hill, 2002, with Dr. Mark Byrnes and Dr. David Carleton for a telecourse on American government produced by Intelcom Intelligent Telecommunications. Based on Thomas Patterson's text *The American Democracy*. I completed 9 lessons, each consisting of about 4000 words of summary, activities, and test questions.

## EDITED SCHOLARLY BOOKS

*Governmental Responses to Natural Disasters in the U.S.: A Documentary History*. Talbot Publishing. 2018.

*The Civil War and Reconstruction Eras*. ABC-CLIO, 2018. 295 pp. + xiv.

*The Jacksonian and Antebellum Eras*. ABC-CLIO, 2017. 277 pp. + xiii. Chosen by Choice Reviews as one of 75 best reference books of the year for community college students.

*American Immigration and Citizenship: A Documentary History*. Rowman and Littlefield, 2016. 252 pp. + xxiv.

*The Early Republic: Documents Decoded*. ABC-CLIO, 2016. 309 pp. + xxi. Chosen by Choice Reviews as one of 75 best reference books of the year for community college students.

*Founding Documents of America: Documents Decoded*. ABC-CLIO, 2015. 357 pp. + xx.

*Proposed Amendments to the U.S. Constitution 1787-2001*. 3 vols. Law Book Exchange, 2003. Volumes reprint and update all previous compilations of proposed constitutional amendments. I advised about the book's composition, wrote the introduction, and updated the list of amendments and proposals for a new constitutional convention proposed over the past ten years. I also compiled the 75-page index of all proposed amendments. The volumes have approximately 1,800 pages. Reissued in a four-color cover in 2011; this included a fourth-volume supplement and index to update the volumes through 2010. This volume has been replaced with another that I compiled updating the proposals through mid-2021.

*Great American Judges: An Encyclopedia*, 2 vols. ABC-CLIO, 2003. 981 + xlvii pp. Features full essays on 100 judges, with emphasis on "great" U.S. Supreme Court Justices and other notable lower federal court and state court judges. In addition to the introduction, I wrote four main essays and more than 50 "side-bar" essays for this volume as well as the bibliography and appendices. Foreword by Kermit Hall.

*Great American Lawyers: An Encyclopedia*, 2 vols. Vol. 1, A-I, vol. 2, J-Z, (Santa Barbara: ABC-CLIO, 2001). 800 + xxix pp. I have edited this illustrated work that features essays of approximately 2,500-4,000 words on 100 of America's greatest lawyer-litigators and short essays on about 50 others. I wrote 17 of the main essays and all of the smaller ones as well as materials in the appendices. Simultaneously released as a cloth-bound and as an e-Book. Favorably reviewed in June, 2001 issue of *Library Journal*,

and by Gale Reference Group. Rated as "Exceptional" on July 9, 2001 by *Today's Books* distributed by Public News Service.

*The Theory and Practice of Constitutional Change in America: A Collection of Original Source Materials.* Part of American University Studies; Series X: Political Science, vol. 42 (New York: Peter Lang, 1993), 492 pages. Book of primary readings.

#### CO-EDITED SCHOLARLY BOOKS

*Encyclopedia of the First Amendment.* 2 vols. CQ Press, 2009. Co-edited with David Hudson, Jr. and David Schultz. 1294 pp. *Booklist* gave it a starred review and selected it as 2008 Editors' Choice/Reference pick. January 15, 2009 issue of the *Library Journal* gave it a starred review. In 2009, the American Publishers Awards for Professional and Scholarly Excellence gave the work an Honorable Mention PROSE award under the Multivolume Reference/Humanities & Social Sciences category. An electronic version of this book was purchased in 2016 by the MTSU College of Media and Entertainment, which is permanently maintaining it on its web site, where it has been accessible to the public since September 17, 2017. I played a major role in adding new essays and updating current entries for this rollout, and continue to submit additional essays. The site is available at <https://mtsu.edu/first-amendment/encyclopedia/>. My essays can be accessed by pressing the search engine on the site and typing in John Vile. Note: Pictures and titles of my books are available at <https://www.mtsu.edu/honors/staff/vile.php> as well as on sites like [wwwamazon.com/books](http://www.amazon.com/books) and other sites.

*Encyclopedia of the Fourth Amendment.* Co-edited with David Hudson, Jr. Sage, 2013. 2 vols. In addition to coediting, I contributed 525+ entries (more than half) to this work.

*James Madison: Philosopher, Founder, Statesmen,* with William Pederson and Frank Williams. Ohio University Press, 2008. 302 pp. Book includes co-authored introduction and essays that I authored on "James Madison and Constitutional Paternity" and "James Madison's Report of 1800: The First Amendment, Freedom of the Press, and the Common Law.

*The Encyclopedia of Civil Liberties in America,* 3 vols. M.E. Sharpe, 2005. Co-edited with David Schultz. 1141 pages plus front and back materials. This complements an earlier set of volumes that the publisher released on Civil Rights.

*Tennessee Government and Politics: Democracy in the Volunteer States.* Vanderbilt University Press, 1998. Co-edited with Mark Byrnes. 368 pages. Cloth and paperback editions.

#### CD AND WEB-RELATED

Helped coauthor a website for *Constitutional Law in Contemporary America.* 2010. <http://www.oup.com/us/companion.websites/9780195390063/>

*The History of the American Legal System: An Interactive Encyclopedia.* I was the general editor, author, and "architect" of this CD. ABC-CLIO, 1999. ISBN 1-57607-178-2. The CD highlights important American legal documents, summaries of key Supreme Court cases, description of major legal and political organizations, relevant charts, biographies, dictionaries, etc., some of which were taken from other ABC-CLIO publications and the rest of which I have written. The CD contains over one million words. My work included writing the 8 introductory essays as well as over 400 of the main entries, proofing and/or revising several hundred others, writing a dictionary of over 1000 legal and political terms, composing a timeline, and proofing several hundred accompanying manuscripts.

### SERIES EDITOR

General editor of a series of five books in a series titled *Student's Guide to Landmark Congressional Laws* with Greenwood. Titles include:

David Carleton, *On Education* (2002),

Marcus D. Pohlmann and Linda Vallar Whisenhunt, *On Civil Rights* (2002),

Steven G. Livingston, *On Social Security and Welfare* (2002),

Kathleen Uradnic, *On Youth* (2002), and

Clyde E. Willis, *On the First Amendment* (2002).

### EDITED BOOKS OF POETRY AND PROVERBS FOR MY FATHER

Ralph Vile, *Let the Bells Ring Out on Christmas Morning: Selections From Valley Verses*, Authored "Introduction to the Christmas Poetry of Ralph Vile," pp. xiii – xviii (Longwood, FL: Xulon Press, 2008).

Ralph Vile, *Proverbs from the Poet Preacher: Quips, Quibbles, and Quotes*. Authored "Introduction," pp. ix-xvi (Longwood, FL: Xulon Press, 2008).

Ralph Vile, *We Are His Poets*, Vol. I of *Valley Verses* (Longwood, FL: Xulon Press, 2007). Authored "Introduction to the Life and Poetry of Ralph Vile," pp. ix-xv.

### AUTHORED BOOK-RELATED PROJECTS CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS

*The Bald Eagle and Its Legacy; An Encyclopedia of a High-Flying American Icon in U.S. History, Nature, Law and Culture*. Accepted for publication by Hein. Full manuscript

*Prayer in American Public Life*. I am awaiting the final manuscript so that I can complete the index. In addition to the book, this will be featured on the MTSU website.

*The Cross in American Public Life*. Still looking for a publisher.

*Preserve, Protect, and Defend: A Study of Presidential Inaugurations and Inaugural Addresses from Washington through Biden*. Currently under consideration for publication.

*Crossing the Political Jordan: U.S. Presidential and Other American Farewell Addresses*. Currently under consideration for publication.

### MAGAZINE, JOURNAL, AND ONLINE ARTICLES

Provided answers for eight questions on the international implications of the Declaration of Independence for ABC-CLIO Website. February 12, 2021.

"Trump Impeachment Trial." ABC-CLIO Website. February 8, 2021.

"The Coronavirus Effect on College Admissions." PERI Commentary, MTSU. March 27, 2020.



I have written and updated numerous entries for a web-based site that will include the First Amendment Encyclopedia that I co-edited and which a colleague and I also reviewed and updated when it went online.

“American Judges and Justices Stick to the Law.” 1200-word essay for ABC-CLIO American Government online database. April 2017. “What to Expect with the Appointment of Neil Gorsuch,” 500 word essay. May 2017.

“What to Expect after Trump’s Inauguration.” 700-word essay for ABC-CLIO American Government online database. January 2017.

“Uniquely 2016.” 450-word essay for ABC-CLIO American Government online database. October 2016.

“The Constitution,” “Origins of American Government,” and “Principles of Government.” Topic overviews of 800 words for ABC-CLIO, American Government online database. February 2016.

“Should Corporations Have Religious Liberty Protections Under the First Amendment,” and “Should Washington D.C. have voting representation in Congress?” Essays of 800 to 1,000 words for ABC-CLIO American Government online database. Submitted April 11, 2015.

“Re-Framers: Proposals to Rewrite the U.S. Constitution.” Invited blog of about 900 words for the International Association of Constitutional Law’s Research Group on Constitution Making and Constitutional Change. September 24, 2014.

“Ridicule, Scorn, and Approbation: Delegate William Pierce’s Notes on His Constitutional Convention Colleagues,” *Colonial Williamsburg: The Journal of the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation* (Spring, 2014), 41-45.

I have written articles of 750 and 1000 words on “The Connecticut Compromise” and “The New Jersey Plan” for the encyclopedia of *American Governance*, ed. Steven L. Schechter and published by Macmillan, an imprint of Cengage Learning. Deadline November 18, 2013. Additional 2,500-word entry on the “Constitutional Convention of 1787” submitted in July.

I submitted (May 2013) a mock trial/moot court problem to ABC-CLIO for post online for high school students on a hypothetical case involving free press rights in public high schools. This involved writing a hypothetical, summarizing cases, and providing instructions. Written with help from Virginia Vile.

“Unit Overview: Debating, Defining, and Ratifying a Constitution: 1783-1791,” “Debt, Disillusionment, and Shay’s Rebellion,” “The Constitutional Convention and the Federalist Debates,” “The Bill of Rights,” and “Writing a Declaration of Independence.” Essays of from 750 to 1000 words for a textbook on Milestone Documents by Slager publishing. Submitted December 18, 2012 and January 28, 2013.

“Haudenosaunee Great Law of Peace & U.S. Constitution,” response essay for ABC-CLIO that includes 400-900-word annotation of U.S. Constitution and 800-1,000-word essay disputing whether this document had a major influence on the Constitution. Submitted June 2012.

“The Constitutional Convention of 1787: A Workable Realization of the Goals of the Declaration of Independence,” Response essay of 3000 words for ABC-CLIO database of Enduring Questions for high school students. Submitted March, 2012.

“Does Public Funding of Religious Institutions Violate the First Amendment?” 1,000-word essay and annotation of three Supreme Court decisions for ABC-CLIO database for high school students. Submitted April 2012.

“A Defense of Life Tenure for Judges.” ABC-CLIO database for high school students. 1,000-word essay and annotation of Federalist No. 78 and Brutus No. 15 . Submitted in December, 2011.

"Introduction to Inaugural Issue of *Scientia et Humanitas*," *Scientia et Humanitas: A Journal of Student Research* [MTSU] 1 (Spring 2011), pp. v-vi.

"Should the Life Tenure of Supreme Court Justices Be Reconsidered? A Defense of the Status Quo." ABC-CLIO American Government database of Enduring Questions (academic version) for lower-division college courses. 2500-word peer-reviewed essay submitted in March, 2011.

"Preparing a Master Plan for an Honors College," *Honors in Practice* 7 (2011):183-195.

"The Case Against the 'Repeal Amendment,'" January 3, 2011 issue of *The National Law Journal*. Vol. 33.

ABC-CLIO American Government Database (for high school students). Essays of 1,000 to 1,200 words each entitled: "Why Government," "Roots of U.S. Government," "Majority Rule, Minority Rights," "What is Democracy," "Types of Government," "Powers of Congress," "Powers of the Presidency," "What is the Legislative Branch," "House of Representatives," "Senate," "Landmark Cases," "How a Bill Becomes Law," "Apportionment/ Reapportionment," "What is the Judicial Branch?," "Supreme Court," "The Supreme Court at Work," "Declaration of Independence," "Due Process of Law," and "Constitutional Interpretation" (the last was an opinion piece) submitted November and December, 2010. Additional essay "Parliament versus Congress," submitted in March, 2011 and "Basis of Power," submitted in April, 2011. Essay and accompanying documents on "Would the Constitution have been ratified if it had outlawed or excluded slavery" submitted in August, 2011.

"An Evangelical Perspective on the Religious and Political Views of M. Fethullah Gulen and the Gulen Movement." *Evangelical Review of Society and Politics: An Interdisciplinary Journal for the Christian Analysis of Social and Political Issues*, 4:2 (October, 2010): 28-54.

Pro and Con essays on the Electoral College for ABC-CLIO's on-line data base on American government for high school students. Submitted January, 2010.

"Going to Trial," *Leadership for Student Activities* 37 (January, 2009):20-24.

"Celebrating the Bill of Rights." 1000-word essay to introduce ABC-CLIO web site on Constitution Week, September, 2007.

"Presidents as Commenders-in-Chief: Recognitions of Citizen Heroes from Ronald Reagan through George W. Bush." *Congress & the Presidency: A Journal of Capital Studies* 34 (Spring, 2007): 27-54.

"For Ourselves and Our Posterity." 1,000-word essay to introduce ABC-CLIO web site on Constitution Week, September, 2006. <http://www.constitution.abc-clio.com/referencedisplay.aspx>

"Mock Trial as Part of an Undergraduate Pre-Law Curriculum," *Law & Courts: Newsletter of the Law & Courts Section of the American Political Science Association*. 16, No. 3 (Summer, 2006): 14-16.

"The Critical Role of Committees at the Constitutional Convention of 1787." *The American Journal of Legal History* 48 (April, 2006): 147-176.

"Introduction" to Fall, 2004, ABC-CLIO Catalog, History Section. 350 word invited essay.

"Contemporary Constitutional Scholar Missing From Signer's Hall." Posted on website of National Constitution Center. October 30, 2003.

"A Republic Established on Arguments and Interests: Why I Think the Constitution Is Still Worthy of Signing." October 28, 2003. [findlaw.com](http://www.findlaw.com).  
[http://writ.news.findlaw.com/scripts/printer\\_friendly.pl?page=/coimmentary/20031028\\_vile](http://writ.news.findlaw.com/scripts/printer_friendly.pl?page=/coimmentary/20031028_vile).

"The Relevance of Constitutional Amendments: A Response to David Strauss." Article coauthored with Brannon Denning. *Tulane Law Review* 77 (November 2002): 247-82.

"America's commitment to freedom endures," Guest Commentary, *Nashville Business Journal*, September 21, 2001, p. 63.

"Up-Close: Three Recent Amendments." First issue of the American Bar Association's *Insights on Law & Society*, I (September, 2000), 8-10. The printed version was supplemented by a longer on-line version at [insightsmagazine.org](http://insightsmagazine.org). Written by invitation.

"Necromancing the Equal Rights Amendment." Article coauthored with Brannon Denning. *Constitutional Commentary* 17 (Winter 2000), 593-602. Reprinted in the *Ukrainian Law Journal* in 2013.

Introductory essay for the ABC-CLIO Law and Society Catalog, Spring 2000. Written by invitation.

"Francis Lieber and the Process of Constitutional Amendment." *The Review of Politics*, 60 (Summer, 1998):525-43.

"Truism, Tautology or Vital Principle? The Tenth Amendment Since *United States v. Darby*." *The Cumberland Law Review* 27 (1996-1997):446-532.

"Political Rhetoric and the Need for Integrity." *PRISM* 2 (February 1995): 26-27, 29.

"The Selection and Tenure of Chief Justices," *Judicature*, 78 (September-October 1994), pp. 96-100.

"Revitalizing Undergraduate Programs Through Intercollegiate Mock Trial Competition." Co-authored with Thomas Van Dervort *PS: Political Science and Politics* 27 (December 1994), pp. 712-15.

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Close to 400 essays of 250 to 1200 words (over 170,000 words) for *The Encyclopedia of the First Amendment*, ed. Hudson, Schultz, and Vile for CQ Press, 2007. Also, co-author of "History of the First Amendment," and "Timeline."

"Samuel Sewall: Defender of the Rule of Law?" *Noble Purposes: Nine Champions of the Rule of Law*, edited by Norman Gross (Athens, Ohio: Ohio University Press, 2007), pp. 3-14.

"United States Constitution;" "Articles of Confederation;" "Twenty-Fourth Amendment." Essays written for *Encyclopedia of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties*, ed. Stevens and Scheb, Greenwood Press, 2006.

"Privacy," Coauthor of chapter (approximately 8000 words) in 8-volume *Social Issues in America: An Encyclopedia*. M.E. Sharpe, 2006.

"*Abrams v. United States*," "*Arkansas Educational Television Commission v. Ferber*," "*Barron v. City of Baltimore*," "*Chavez v. Martinez*," "*Cipollone v. Liggett Group*" (coauthor), "Civilian Control of the Military" (coauthor), "Constitutional Amending Process," "Constitutional Amendments," "Due Process of Law" (coauthor), "*Elk Grove Unified School District v. Newdow*," "Federalists," "*Hamdi v. Rumsfeld*," "*Hiibel v. Nevada*," "Hoover, J. Edgar," "Johnson, Frank M. Jr.," "*Locke v. Davey*," "*Palko v. Connecticut*," "*Powell v. Alabama*," "*Sattazahn v. Pennsylvania*," "Search Warrants," "*Sell v. United States*," "Seventh Amendment," "*United States v. American Library Association, Inc.*," "*Virginia v. Black*," "*Wiggins v. Smith*," "World War II," and "Writs of Certiorari," for *The Encyclopedia of Civil Liberties in America*, ed. by Schultz and Vile, 2005.

"The Supreme Court and the Constitutional Amending Process," 1500 word essay, and "U.S. Constitution," 1000 word essay, for *Encyclopedia of U.S. Supreme Court*, ed. by David Schultz (Facts on File, 2005).

"Articles of Confederation," "Constitution: Bill of Rights," and "Constitutional Amendments and Changes." 1,500 word essays for *Americans at War: Society, Culture, and the Homefront*. Macmillan Library Reference, 2004) ed. John P. Resch.

"The Tennessee Supreme Court, 1946-1974: Years of Judicial Tranquility Amid a National Judicial Revolution." Chapter written for *A History of the Tennessee Supreme Court*, ed. by James W. Ely, Jr. (Knoxville: The University of Tennessee Press, 2002), pp. 229-69. Note: the Tennessee Library Association awarded this book its 2003 History Prize. Published in paperback in 2004.

"Charles Evans Hughes." *Leaders of the Pack: Polls and Case Studies of Great Supreme Court Justices*, ed. William D. Pederson, and Norman W. Provizer. New York: Peter Lang, 2003, pp. 177-99.

"Introduction" 3-volume set. *Proposed Amendments to the U.S. Constitution 1789-2001* published by Law Book Exchange and reprinting and updating earlier collections of proposed constitutional amendments. 2,500 words. 2003.

"Electoral College." Essay of 1500 words for *Dictionary of American History*, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, ed. by Stanley I. Kutler (Charles Scribners, 2003).

"Procedural due process," "*Branti v. Finkel*," and "U.S. Constitution," Essays for *The Encyclopedia of Public Administration*, ed. by David Schultz (Facts on File, 2003). 500, 500, and 1500 words.

Essays on "Amendments to the U.S. Constitution" and "*Hammer v. Dagenhart*" *The Encyclopedia of American Law*, ed. By David Schultz (New York: Facts on File, 2002), pp. 18-20 and 212-13.

"Baker v. Carr," and "Constitutional Amendments," 350 and 1500 word essays for *The Oxford Companion to American Law*, ed. by Kermit Hall. (New York: Oxford University Press, 2002), p. 53, pp. 145-147.

"Tennessee." 2000 word entry for *Legal Systems of the World: A Political, Social, and Cultural Encyclopedia*, ed. Herbert M. Kritzer (Santa Barbara: ABC-CLIO, 2001), IV: 1607-10.

Essays of approximately 2,500 words each on "Judah P. Benjamin," "David Boies," "John A. Campbell," "C. Hayden Covington," "Thomas Addis Emmet," "William J. Fallon," "Percy Foreman," "Andrew Hamilton," "Jeremiah Mason," "James Neal," "Edmund Pendleton," "William Pinckney," "George Wythe," "Josiah Quincy," "Edmund Randolph," "Earl Rogers," "Arthur T. Vanderbilt," and "Edward Bennett Williams" for *Great American Lawyers: A Biographical Dictionary* (ABC-CLIO, 2000). I also wrote approximately 40-50 essays of from 250-750 words on lesser-known lawyers as well as the book's "Introduction," "Bibliography," and "Appendices."

Essays of approximately 2000 words each on "Capital Punishment," "Federal-state Relations," "Freedom of Speech," "Freedom of Religion," "Freedom of the Press," "Human Rights," "Judicial Activism and Judicial Restraint," and "Judicial Review" for ABC-CLIO *Web Site on American Government*, 2000. This site also incorporates numerous entries from the CD-ROM I put together on the *History of the American Legal System*.

"Foreword to Series" for *Landmark Congressional Laws*. Volumes published in 2001 and 2002.

I wrote a few hundred essays for *The History of the American Legal System: An Interactive Encyclopedia*. (ABC-CLIO; December 1999).

"Introduction" with Mark Byrnes. *Tennessee Politics and Government*. 1998 by Vanderbilt University Press, pp. xiv-xx.

"Amending the Constitution." *The Constitution and Its Amendments*. Ed. By Roger Newman (New York: Macmillan, 1999). A 1500 word essay for a 4-volume reference book for students in grades 6 through 9.

In addition to the "Introduction," I wrote approximately 50 to 75 essays of from 500 to 1000 words on lesser-known individuals who were included in my *Great American Judges: An Encyclopedia* (ABC-CLIO, 2003). I have written main essays (approximately 2500 words each) on: "Roy Bean," "William Harper," "Constance Baker Motley," and Thomas Ruffin."

"Peter V. Daniel." 250-500 word essay for *Encyclopedia of Southern Culture*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, Deadline, October 1, 2002.

"*Baker v. Carr*" and "*Knoxville Iron Company v. Harbison*." Two 500 word entries prepared for the *Tennessee Encyclopedia of History and Culture*, ed. Carroll Van West (Nashville: Tennessee Historical Society, 1998), p.42 and pp. 510-11.

"The Early Presidents, 1789-1829," *The Presidency*, ed. Michael Nelson (New York: Smithmark, 1996), 64-81.

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"Judicial Review" for *The Oxford Companion to Politics of the World*, ed. by Joel Krieger. (New York: Oxford University Press, 1993), pp. 496-7. Essay reprinted in the second edition (2001).

Three essays on U.S. Supreme Court decisions originally published in *The Oxford Companion to the United States Supreme Court* were reprinted in *The Oxford Guide to the United States Supreme Court Decisions*, ed. Hall (New York: Oxford, 1999), p. 60, pp. 60-61, and p. 76.

Completed eleven essays, including articles on "Constitutional Amendments," "The Constitutional Amending Process," and "Court Curbing," for *The Oxford Companion to the United States Supreme Court*, ed. by Kermit L. Hall. (New York: Oxford University Press, 1992). Articles range from 200 to 2,500 words and are found on pp. 164, 177-178, 179-181, 181-183, 201-203, 226-227, 369, 528, 559-60, and 612. Essays have been updated and revised for the second edition.

"El proceso de enmendar la Constitucion en los Estados Unidos de America: analisis y comparacion con la experiencia mexicana," *Derecho Constitucional Comparado: Mexico - Los Estados Unidos* (Mexico: Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico, 1990), pp. 201-216. Trans. into Spanish by Harcourt Stebbins. Also wrote an "Introduccion," pp. 189-191, to chapter containing essay.

#### FOREWORDS AND INTRODUCTIONS TO BOOKS OTHER THAN MY OWN OR MY FATHER'S

Introduction, "Unwise and Unconstitutional: Samuel Bell Thomas' Critique of the Prohibition Amendment," pp. iii-xxvi, *Our Weakened Constitution*, originally published in 1932 by Samuel Bell Thomas with Edward Williams, for publication by the Lawbook Exchange in 2016.

Introduction, "Unmasking Uncle Sam's Prognosis," for reprint of *Uncle Sam Unmasks the Masked* by Alexander Boyd Huggins (1936) published by William S. Hein & Co., Inc. in Getzville, NY, pp. iii-xxiii.

"Introduction: A Constitutional Catechism From a Roman Catholic Perspective." Francis T. Furey, *An Explanation of the Constitution of the United States of America. Prepared for Use in Catholic Schools, Academies, and Colleges*. Lawbook Exchange edition, 2015, pp. iii-xvi.

"John Alexander Jameson's Enduring Constitutional Legacy," Introduction to John J. Jameson, *A Treatise on Constitutional Conventions*, 4<sup>th</sup> ed. (originally published in 1887), LawBook Exchange, 2013, pp. v-xxi.



“Of Catechisms, Religious and Constitutional,” Introduction to Arthur J. Stansbury, *Elementary Catechism on the Constitution of the United States for the Use of Schools* (originally published in 1828), LawBook Exchange, 2013, pp. v-xx.

“Foreword,” *Time and Tradition: A Poetry Anthology*, ed. Phil Mathis (Murfreesboro: Twin Oaks Publishing, 2011), pp. vii-viii. The book also includes a poem I authored entitled “Hidden Tears,” p. 97.

“Noah Webster: Proposing and Promoting Stronger National Union Through the Power of the English Language.” Noah Webster, *Sketches of American Policy*. Lawbook Exchange, Clark, New Jersey. Published in 2008, foreword, pp. iii-xix.

“Foreword” for David Hudson, *The Rehnquist Court: Understanding its Impact and Legacy* (Westport, CT: Greenwood, 2007), pp. ix-xiii.

Note: I have been quoted on the covers of David L. Hudson, Jr.’s *Let the Students Speak!* (Beacon Press, 2011), Kenneth Penegar’s, *The Political Trial of Benjamin Franklin* (Algora, 2011), Darren Patrick Guerra’s *Perfecting the Constitution* (Lexington Books, 2013), and Rober C. Hartley’s *How Failed Attempts to Amend the Constitution Mobilize Political Change* (Vanderbilt, 2017).

#### TESTIMONY

“The U.S. Constitutional Amending Process and the Article V Convention Mechanism,” Testimony before Joint Government Operations –Legislative Advisory Subcommittee. Tennessee State Capitol November 12, 2013.

#### UNIVERSITY REPORTS

Lead writer of “A Vision for the Future: Master Plan for the Honors College, 2009-2019.” 26 pp. plus appendices. March 2009.

Lead writer of “Building on the Blueprint for Excellence,” MTSU Academic Master Plan for 2007-2017. (MTSU, August, 2007), 26 pp.

Helped edit a “white paper” from the university deans relative to enrollment and retention initiatives, 2012.

#### NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

I have published more than 65 newspaper articles in the following: *The Daily News Journal* (Murfreesboro); *Lagniappe* (Lake Charles); *The Record* (MTSU); *The Sidelines* (MTSU); *The Shreveport Times*; *The Tennessee Tribune*; *The Tennessean* (Nashville), *Knoxville News Sentinel*, *Times Free Press* (Chattanooga), the *New York Daily News* (on-line), the John Seigenthaler website, and the *Orlando Sentinel*. A number of these may be found by typing in John R. Vile at Muck Rack at <https://muckrack.com/john-r-vile/articles>

#### BOOK REVIEWS

I have published more than 150 reviews for *Choice*. I have published more than 50 other reviews for the following: *American Journal of Legal History*; *American Historical Review*; *American Journal of Legal History*; *American Review of Politics*; *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*; *American Political Science Review*; *Baptist History and Heritage*; *Books and Religion: A Quarterly*

*Review; Constitutional Commentary; Eternity, History: Review of New Books; Journal of Interdisciplinary History; Publius: The Journal of American Studies; The Journal of Federalism; The Journal of Politics; The Law and Politics Book Review, Modern Age; Political Science Quarterly; Social Science Quarterly; Southeastern Political Review; Teaching Political Science: Politics in Perspective; Newsletter for Christians in Political Science, and the Tennessee Historical Quarterly,*

#### GRANTS RECEIVED:

August 2016. I was named to the Fulbright Specialist Roster, which makes me eligible for consideration or two to six-week grant opportunities abroad through the Council for International Exchange of Scholars.

I worked with the Dean of our College of Business to obtain 4-year \$3.5 million grant to create a research center, hire new faculty, and increase student research.

Helped the MTSU University library obtain a grant to bring a traveling exhibit from the Library of Congress on John Adams in conjunction with the University's centennial in 2011.

MTSU Non-instructional Assignment for Spring, 2005. Work on Constitutional Convention of 1787 and the Constitutional Amending Process. Ultimately resulted in one journal article, two chapters, and an edited book.

MTSU grant of \$2,000 for research assistance for "Heroes All Around Us," Fall, 2002. Resulted in one refereed-journal article.

Grant from MTSU Faculty Research Committee for research in the summer of 1998 on the History of the American Legal System.

Grant from MTSU Faculty Research Committee for summer research on *McCulloch v. Maryland*.

Liberty Fund colloquium on "Liberty and Sources of Authority," March 6-9, 1997, Savannah, Georgia.

Non-instructional assignment for Fall 1996 and Spring 1997. Half-time teaching in order to pursue various research and public-service projects.

Grant from MTSU Faculty Research Committee for research on Tenth Amendment and *United States v. Lopez*. Grant equivalent to one full summer course.

Grant from MTSU Faculty Research Committee for work on book on Tennessee politics. One class release time for Spring, 1996.

Grants from MTSU Faculty Research Committee for work on *An Encyclopedia of Proposed Amendments to the U.S. Constitution*. One class release time for Spring, 1994. Another class released time for Spring, 1995.

Grant from MTSU Faculty Research Committee for continuing research on the constitutional amending process in the summer of 1993. Grant equivalent to one full course.

Grant from MTSU Faculty Research Committee for typing and subvention costs for *The Theory and Practice of Constitutional Change in America: A Collection of Original Source Materials*.

Grant from MTSU Faculty Research Committee for continuing research on the constitutional amending process in the summer of 1992. Grant equivalent to one full course.

Institutional Research Grant from Committee at Middle Tennessee State University for three hours of released time Fall, 1991, and another 3 in the Spring, 1992 for work on The Constitutional Amending Process in American Political Thought and related projects.

Institutional Research Grant from Committee at Middle Tennessee State University for three hours of released time Fall, 1990, and another 3 in the Spring, 1991 for work on articles on the constitutional amending process.

Grant from Faculty Research Committee at Middle Tennessee State University for three hours of released time, Spring, 1990 for articles on constitutional amending process.

Chosen to participate in Seminar entitled, "The Philosophical Roots of the Bill of Rights: The Federalists' and Anti-Federalists' Conception of Rights," directed by Tom Pangle. Seminar held from Aug. 28-30, 1989 in conjunction with the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Atlanta, Georgia.

McNeese Shearman Grant for released time in the summer of 1989 to work on the topic, "Problems Surrounding the Calling and Operation of a National Constitutional Convention."

Grant from the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities to develop and present a series of six programs entitled, "The American Experience" Spring, 1989. Project was done in conjunction with MSU historian in Deridder, Louisiana.

Selected by the American Bar Association to participate in a conference on "Rights in Conflict: The Individual versus the State and Beyond," Held at Jekyll Island, Georgia on March 2-4, 1989. Expenses at conference paid by ABA.

Grant from the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities to develop and present a series of six programs entitled, "Our Written Legacy: The U.S. Constitution." Fall, 1988. Project was done in conjunction with MSU economist in DeRidder, Louisiana.

Sabbatical leave from McNeese State University, Spring and Summer, 1988 for research on the constitutional amending process.

Sabbatical leave from McNeese State University, Spring and Summer, 1988 for research on the constitutional amending process.

McNeese Shearman Grant for released time in the summer of 1987 to work on the topic, "American Views of Constitutional Change." \$1,800.

NEH eight week Summer Seminar under Professor Walter Murphy at Princeton University, Summer, 1985. "Toward a Constitutional Jurisprudence." \$2,800.

Project '87 Summer Seminar sponsored by the Lilly Foundation and the APSA. The Seminar, directed by Professor Henry J. Abraham, was held in Washington, D.C. on August 8-12, 1983 and was entitled, "The Judicial Function Under the Constitution: Theory and Practice."

NEH eight-week Summer Seminar under Professor (historian) Donald Sutherland at the University of Iowa, Summer, 1982. "Freedom and the Rule of Law: The English Foundations, 1300-1700." \$2,500.

"Ethical Issues Seminar" sponsored by the NEH and the APSA. The Seminar, directed by J. Roland Pennock, was entitled, "The Rights of Man and of Citizens," Washington, D.C., June 21-22, August 26-29, 1980.

NEH eight-week Summer Seminar under Professor Alpheus Mason at Princeton University, Summer, 1979. "America's Continuing Revolution: The Role of the Supreme Court." \$2,500.

#### PAPERS, PANELS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Organized and moderated a panel at MTSU consisting of three other scholars and a pediatrician on COVID-19 and college students. September 7, 2021.

One of four zoom panelists on the Supreme Court decision in *Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn, New York v. Andrew M. Cuomo*, entitled "Business, Religion & the Pandemic," scheduled under the auspices of Touro College by the Business Law Society, Catholic Law Society, and the HealthLaw Projects on April 9, 2021.

Helped organize and was one of four participants in Zoom Webinar at MTSU moderated by Dr. Mary Evins, on "The Trump Impeachment: Round 1, Its Historical and Political Context." February 8, 2021.

Participated on a Zoom Webinar led by Ken Paulson at MTSU on the Electoral College, October 29, 2020.

"Continuing Lessons on federalism from the COVID-19 pandemic." Panel for virtual conference on "Federalism on Trial: Lessons from COVID-19" sponsored by the Center for Constitutional Studies at Utah Valley University, October 21, 2020.

"A Biblical View of Climate change." Presentation to MTSU Honors Lecture Series scheduled for April 13, 2020.

Discussant. Paper on American Founding. Conference held on the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Dr. James Buchanan's birth at Embassy Suite Motel, Murfreesboro, TN, October 2019.

"Immigration and Citizenship: The American Experience." September 28, 2018. Presentation sponsored by the History Department and the Atlantic Institute at Belmont University in Nashville.

"The Declaration of Independence and American Ideals," Presentation to MTSU Honors Lecture Series, March 19, 2018.

"The Rhetoric of the 2016 Presidential Election," Presentation to MTSU Honors Lecture Series, March 20, 2017.

"Immigration and Citizenship: The American Historical Experience," Presentation to MTSU Honors Lecture Series, August 29, 2016.

One of four invited participants for Spring 2016 Colloquium "Changing Constitutions: Global and Local Perspectives." University of Louisiana, Lafayette, March 11, 2016. "The Challenges of Proposing Constitutional Changes Through an Article V Convention."

Panelist at NCHC in Chicago, November 2015. Panel on Honors Newsletters. As the winner of the 2014, I served as a judge for this year and helped explain why we chose what we did.

Panelist at American Political Science Convention, September 4, 2015, San Francisco, Roundtable on "The Prospects for Constitutional Change and Reform in the U.S."

Skype conversation with Richard Albert's class at Boston College Law School on Article V Conventions, November 12, 2014.

"A Biblical Perspective on Beauty." Presentation to MTSU Honors Lecture Series on "Beauty." October 7, 2013.

"William Pierce, An Analysis of His Character Sketches of Delegates to the Constitutional Convention." Presented at a conference on "The American Constitution: 225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Ratification," March 23, 2013, University of Georgia. A grant from the National Science Foundation covered travel, room and board expenses.

"Using Publications as a Way of Highlighting an Honors Program or College," Presented at the 2012 National Collegiate Honors Council Conference in Boston, Nov 14-18, 2012.

Introduction of Kent Greenfield, author of *The Myth of Choice*, Southern Festival of Books, Nashville, TN, October 12, 2012.

Presentation on "Dietrich Bonhoeffer: An Exemplar of Costly Discipleship in Action" for MTSU Honors Lecture Series on "Prison Writings," March 26, 2012.

Moderator, Republican Presidential Debate, MTSU Debaters, February 29, 2012. State Farm Room, MTSU.

Moderator, "Religious Leaders for Reconciliation: An American Journey of Clergy Beyond Borders," Panel at MTSU campus, September 19, 2011.

Participated on panel and offered reflections on "James Madison's Views on John Adams," for the traveling exhibit to MTSU Walker Library, September 13, 2011.

Participated in a workshop on constitutional revision on Aegina Island, outside Athens, Greece sponsored by The Centre for European Constitutional Law on Comparative Constitutional Change, September, 5-6, 2011. I was the only U.S. representative present in a workshop that featured one individual from each of the European Union nations, as well as Switzerland, England, and Canada. .

"The Fourth Amendment: The Search for Reasonableness." MTSU Honors Lecture Series, *Celebrating Creative Scholarship*, March 28, 2011.

Served as moderator of a panel forum entitled "Pathways to Religious Freedom: Respecting & Promoting Religious Tolerance" and consisting of a Pastor, a Rabbi, and an Imam at MTSU, October 12, 2010.

"Introduction," of J. Roderick Heller to the Southern Festival of Books to introduce his *Democracy's Lawyer: Felix Grundy of the Old Southwest*, October 8, 2010.

"Preparing a Master Plan for an Honors College." Presented at National Council of Honors Colleges, Washington, D.C., October 30, 2009.

"The President as Commander-in-Chief," Three 45-minute presentations to a Bill of Rights Institute for middle and high school teachers in Boone, North Carolina, October 15, 2009.

Presentation at the Newseum, Washington, D.C. "The Wondrous World of the First Amendment: An Encyclopedic Look." One of six panelists. Knight Conference Center, Newseum, Washington, D.C. November 12, 2008.

Member of Program Committee, for Politics and Law Track of National Faculty Leadership Conference, "The Heart of the University," June 27-29, 2008.

Presentation for approximately 25 teachers in Nashville for Bill of Rights Institute, April 30, 2007. Three presentations of 45 minutes each. One on the "Background of the Constitution and the Bill of Rights,"

one on “The Constitutional Convention of 1787,” and a third on “James Madison” (in costume). Two subsequent presentations to teachers in Frankfort, Kentucky.

“The Constitutional Amending Process and Federal Educational Reform,” Invited paper prepared for the Southern Education Foundation, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia, 2006.

“James Madison and Constitutional Paternity,” Paper presented at Conference on James Madison at L.S.U. Shreveport, Fall 2006.

“James Madison, the Common Law, and the First Amendment,” Paper Presented at Conference on James Madison at L.S.U. Shreveport, Fall, 2006.

Spoke on federalism and related topics at We the People, Tennessee Summer Institute, Chattanooga, June, 2005.

Presentation on *The Constitutional Convention of 1787: A Comprehensive Encyclopedia of America's Founding*. Southern Festival of Books. October 9, 2005. Nashville, Tennessee.

Introduction of Winston Groom, author of *1942*. Southern Festival of Books. October 9, 2005. Nashville, Tennessee.

“Civil Rights in Times of War: Past and Present.” Part of Samuel Shannon Distinguished Lecture Series. Tennessee State University, Nashville, November 17, 2004.

Comments on Michael Moore's Fahrenheit 911. Public presentation on MTSU campus. September 15, 2004. Sponsored by Project Democracy.

Presentation. “How Did the Values and Principles Embodied in the Constitution Shape American Institutions and Practices? Federalism.” We the People, Tennessee Summer Institute, Chattanooga, July 11, 2004.

Chair and Organizer, Political Science Panels, National Faculty Leadership Conference, Alexandria, Virginia. June 24-27, 2004.

Invited Participant. Center for Civic Education. Scholars Conference. March 17-20, 2005. Santa Monica, California.

Invited Participant. Center for Civic Education. “Scholars Conference.” January 22-25, 2004. Manhattan Beach Marriott Chair, Political Science Subcommittee. The Third Biennial National.

“Introduction” for Donovan Webster, author of *The Road to Burma*, Southern Festival of Books, October 11, 2003.

Panelist. “The History of the Tennessee Supreme Court, 1946-74.” Tennessee Conference of Historians, Fisk University, September 27, 2003.

Speech. “The State of the U.S. Constitution.” Honors Lecture, September 15, 2003.

Moderator, Debate on Legalization of the Lottery, MTSU, October 30, 2002.

Moderator, Debate on “Is Morality Possible Without God?”, MTSU, October 28, 2002

Presentation of *Presidential Winners and Losers: Words of Victory & Concession*, Southern Festival of Books, 2002.

Panelist. "The U.S. Constitution & the Quran: Can they Co-Exist?" August 24, 2002, The Family of God at Woodmont Hills Church. Featured six scholars addressing issue before public audience.

"Civil Liberties Since 9-11." Tennessee Political Science Association, Fall Creek Falls, April 19, 2002.

"Introduction" of Professor Augustus B. Cochran III at the Southern Festival of Books, October 12, 2001. Senate Chamber, Nashville, TN. Topic, Cochran's book *Democracy Heading South*.

"Presidential Victory and Concession Speeches," Presentation on panel at the Tennessee Political Science Association, April, 2001.

"Introduction" of Professor Stephen Carter at the Southern Festival of Books," October 15, 2000. Senate Chamber, Nashville, Tennessee. Topic, Carter's book, *God's Name in Vain*. Telecast on C-SPAN 2.

"Proposals for a New Constitution: The Last Decade of the Twentieth Century," Paper delivered at Conference on America at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Century and Millennium, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 5, 2000.

Served as a panelist at the Northeast Association of Pre-Law Advisors at Suffolk University in Boston, Massachusetts on "Mock Trial Programs." June 8, 2000.

"Jehovah's Witnesses: Outsiders As Guardians Against Abuses of Power." Lecture to MTSU Honors Class, January, 24, 2000. Inaugurated a series of lectures by university faculty on abuses of power. Participated in a one-hour television interview regarding this series on January 19, 2000 on Channel 5+; lecture was subsequently played on the same Nashville channel.

One of three questioners in debate on state tax reform. MTSU College of Business Forum on MTSU campus. November 11, 1999

Introduced Richard Cuoto, Southern Festival of Books, Nashville, October 9, 1999. Topic: "Making Democracy Work."

Panelist on The Tennessee Supreme Court. Seminar Sponsored by the Tennessee Bar Association, the Tennessee Supreme Court Historical Society, and the University of Memphis School of Law. Nov. 18, University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law. Similar program conducted in the Chambers of the Tennessee Supreme Court on January 19, 2001 for the Tennessee Bar Association.

Discussed Mock Trial and Chaired panel discussion at the Tennessee Political Science Association, Fall Creek Fall State Park, April 1999.

"Tennessee Government and Politics." Presentation in the Old Supreme Court Room, Tennessee State Capitol, Southern Festival of Books, October 9, 1998. Panel telecast on C-SPAN 2 on October 10 and 24, 1998. Also made book-signing appearances in Murfreesboro, Knoxville, and Nashville as well as a number of local radio and television shows.

Speech to MTSU Honors Program Class, "David and Ahab, Clinton and Nixon, Contemporary Lessons From Two Biblical Stories," Sept. 28, 1998. Accepted for on-line publication on Leadership University, sponsored by Christian Leadership Ministries. October, 1998.  
Posted at: <http://www.leaderu.com/socialsciences/david-ahab.html>

"An Electoral College Anomaly," Paper written with Mark Byrnes and presented at the Tennessee Political Science Convention, April, 1998.

Discussant on panel at the Southern Political Science Association, Virginia Beach, Virginia, November 1997 entitled Honoring Henry J. Abraham and His Contributions to Judicial Politics. Also served on panel entitled Innovative Approaches to Teaching Law and Judicial Politics.

Discussant on Mock Trial Competition. American Political Science Association. September 1996, San Francisco.

Speech for MTSU Honors Program. "The Contract With America and the Constitution." October 1995.

Discussant. "Learning by Doing: Mock Trials." American Political Science Association. September 1995, Chicago.

Discussant. Panel on Pre-law advising. January 18, 1995 Meeting of Tennessee Pre-Law and Pre-Health Science Fellowship Program Advisors, Nashville, Tennessee.

Chair, Panel, "Constitutional Issues in Historical Perspective," The Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, November 1994.

Panelist, "The Constitution and Foreign Affairs," The American Political Science Association, New York, September 1994.

Chair, Panel, "Constitutional Interpretation From an Historical Perspective," Southern Political Science Association, Savannah, Georgia, November 3-6, 1993.

Speech for MTSU Honors Program, "Freedom and Authority: The Process of Making and Revising the National Constitution in America." February 1, 1993.

One of five panelists on a faculty workshop on research, November 5, 1992. Sponsored by MTSU College of Business.

Panelist and Chair of a panel entitled, "Constitutional Attachments and the Transformation of States," at the 1992 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association in Chicago, September 3, 1992.

Chaired and served as a discussant on a panel at the, March 1992 annual meeting of the Southwest Political Science Convention in Austin Texas. The panel was entitled, "Historical Perspectives on Constitutional Theory."

Chaired and served as panelist at the 1992 Annual Meeting of the Tennessee Political Science Convention on the subject of Congressional Term Limitations. Montgomery Bell State Park, April 3, 1992.

Discussant, American Political Science Association, August, 1991, Washington, D.C., Conference Group on Jurisprudence and Public Law. Panel on "Constitutional Politics and Unorthodox Amendments." Chaired by Sanford Levinson.

Panelist, Tennessee Political Science Association, March, 1991. "Amending the Bill of Rights."

Chair, panel on Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Supreme Court, Tennessee Political Science Association, March 31, 1990.

Speech, McNeese State University, "The Constitution: What Difference Does it Make?," February 25, 1990.

"American Views of the Constitutional Amending Process." Paper presented at a national conference entitled, "The Legacy of the Constitution" held from April 13-15, 1989 at Missouri Western State College in St. Joseph, Missouri.

Discussant, Panel on Political Ideologies, Louisiana Political Science Association, Lafayette, Louisiana, March 10-11, 1989.



Moderator, "Teaching Civil Rights and Liberties." Conference on "Rights in Conflict: The Individual Versus the State and Beyond," Jekyll, Island, Georgia, March 3, 1989.

"The Constitutional Amending Process in the United States of America: Analysis and Comparison With the Mexican Experience." Paper delivered at a United States/Mexico Constitutional Law Seminar, Mexico City, June 18-24, 1988. Expenses paid by U.S.I.A.

"John C. Calhoun and the Constitutional Amending Process: Article V and the Theory of Concurrent Majorities." Annual Meeting of the Louisiana Political Science Association, Baton Rouge, La, March, 1988.

"Thomas Jefferson's Views of Constitutional Change: A Distinctive Voice, Not a Madisonian Echo." Delivered at the Annual Meeting of the Northeast Political Science Convention, Philadelphia, November, 1987.

"Ideas of Legal Change: Precursors of the Constitutional Amending Process." Paper delivered at the Southwest Political Science Convention, Dallas, Tx. March 18-21, 1987.

"The Twenty-Sixth Amendment and Voting Rights for 18 to 21 Year Olds." Presentation at MSU as part of program "In Order to Form a More Perfect Union" sponsored by the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities, March, 1987.

"Unconstitutional Amendments: A Question of Implied Restraints, Fundamental Rights, and the Consent of the Governed." Southern Political Science Convention, Nov. 1, 1984, Savannah, Georgia.

Discussant. Panel on "The Political Theory of Political Reform," Southwest Social Science Convention, Fort Worth, Texas, March 22, 1984.

"Presenting Human Rights in the Classroom." 1982 Annual Meeting of the Louisiana Council on Social Studies, Baton Rouge, La., Oct. 9, 1982.

Discussant, Panel on "Equal Protection and the Burger Court: Perspectives, Policies, and Personalities." Southwest Social Science Convention, San Antonio, Texas, March 22-25, 1982.

Chairman, Panel on "American and International Politics," Ninth Annual Meeting of the Louisiana Political Science Association, L.S.U., March, 13, 1981.

"William James's View of Natural Science." Paper delivered at the Fifty-Fifth Annual Meeting of the Louisiana Academy of Sciences, Feb. 6, 1981, Alexandria, LA.

"The Cold War, Detente, and Human Rights." Paper delivered before the Lake Charles Group of the Louisiana Committee for the Humanities, February, 1980.

"The Political Thought of William James." Paper delivered at the Louisiana Political Science Association, Spring, 1980.

"James Madison: Geography and Republican Government." Paper delivered before the Lake Charles Group of the Louisiana Committee for the Humanities, April 22, 1978.

#### IN-CHARACTER COSTUME PRESENTATIONS AS JAMES MADISON:

I have made costume presentations to numerous local classes and clubs. More formal presentations include the following: September 17, 2007. Presentation to group of students, professors, and visitors at Roane State Community College, in Harriman, Tennessee; Summer, 2007. Presentation to luncheon session of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities in Philadelphia; October, 2006.

Presentation to conference on James Madison at L.S.U. Shreveport; September 15, 2006. Presentation to high school students at L.S.U. Shreveport; Summer, 2006. Presentation to plenary session at Snowbird, Utah, of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities; January 30, 2006. Presentation to class on Constitutional Convention at Rhodes College; December, 2005, January, 2006, January 2007, and January, 2008. Presentations to students participating in We the People competition on MTSU campus; September 20, 2005. Presentation as James Madison for approximately 125 high school students as part of American Democracy Project. MTSU received a third place award at The American Democracy Project-South for a co-curricular activity by a Southern institution participating in the American Democracy Project.; "The Constitutional Convention of 1787," Seigenthaler Lecture, MTSU, September 19, 2005.

#### MEDIA APPEARANCES AND SPEECHES:

I am frequently consulted by members of the media and am quoted fairly often on local radio stations and in area newspapers. I appear from time to time, often on call-in shows such as Morning Line, Open Line, and Inside Politics on Nashville television stations. I have been quoted by *Constitution Magazine*, by *USA Today*, by the *Christian Science Monitor*, by the Associated Press, and by the *New York Times*. I have been interviewed for the Voice of America, for WDEL (Delaware), for KDNO (California), WAOI (San Antonio), WBMQ (Savannah), Al-Araby TV, etc. I was a frequent contributor to MTSU's "Today's Response," which was sent out to local media. I have hosted a number of forums in McMinnville for political candidates and have even been interviewed on television for a children's program by a puppet rabbit named "Murph" of the "Boro!" Because of my book on presidential victory and concession speeches, I was consulted, quoted, and telecast extensively in November 2020 after President Trump refused to concede to Joe Biden.

I have spoken to: National Counter Intelligence Corps Association; Business & Professional Women; Law day celebration; DAR; SAR; CAR; Kiwanis; Rotary Club; BSU; Wesley Found.; a variety of elementary and high school classes; high school debate team; local employees of the U.S.D.A.; church groups; honor societies; TN Intercollegiate State Legislature; Exchange Club; Federalist Society of Nashville, Nashville Phi Beta Kappa Society, Society of Universal Dialogue, University Club, and to many groups visiting the MTSU campus, etc.

#### PUBLIC SERVICE:

Lecturer	Vanderbilt University's Osher Program for senior citizens. Six lectures of 75 minutes each. 167 enrolled. January/February 2015. Offering a similar class in fall of 2021.
Academic Affairs Representative	Employee Giving Campaign, MTSU, 2012.
Moderator	Political forums for state and local candidates in McMinnville, TN on July 9-10, 2012 (broadcast on local PBS radio station).
President	Strategic Planning Committee. American Mock Trial Association. 2011.
Member	Visioning team for local Discovery School (for gifted and high-achieving students in K-6 grades), 2011.
Member	Major Scholarship Standing Committee of the National Collegiate Honors Council, 2011.
Member	Capital Campaign, Middle Tennessee Medical Center, Cancer Center. 2010-11.

Member	Rutherford Society. For support of Middle Tennessee Medical Center. 2010
Member	Board Member, Society of Universal Dialogue, Nashville, TN, 2010-11
Treasurer	Mark Byrnes for School Board, Rutherford County, Tennessee. 2004.
Church Activities	I have taught Sunday School classes of college age students & adults in three different churches for more than 30 years, and I have led a Bible study for immigrant families for more than 10 years. I have served as a deacon in two churches. My wife & I led a children's church for approximately 2 years. I have been pastor and adult Sunday school teacher for the Beech Grove Cumberland Presbyterian Church (a small rural church of mostly elderly individuals) since November 2001.
Advisor	Helped advise a 6 <sup>th</sup> grade civics education team at Cason Lane Elementary in Murfreesboro that took first place in state. (2001)
Leadership Rutherford	Member of class of 1996-97. Served on committee on educational quality. Served on 1997-98 Class Program Committee for Education.
Member of Workgroup	Government Structure and Process. Part of Rutherford County Community Strategic Plan, 1995.
Humanities Grant	Helped lead 6-week program at library in DeRidder, La., 1989
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Advisor	Baptist Student Union, 1979-80, 81-82.
Committee Work	Member, Lake Charles, Mayor's Committee on the Bicentennial of Constitution, 1987-88.
Committee Work	Member of Bicentennial Committee, La. 7th district. 1987-1988.
<b>UNIVERSITY SERVICE:</b>	
Member	2019. Search Committee for Dean of Media & Entertainment.
Chair	2018 Summer reading selection.
Chair	2017-2018 Committee to review university mission statement.
Chair	2017. Buchanan Fellows Selection Committee.
Member	2017-2018. MTSU Gubernatorial Debate Committee.
Chair	Search Committee for Vice Provost for Academic Affairs. Spring 2017.

Member	Search Committee for Director of Development Initiatives. Fall 2016.
Member	Search Committee for Vice President of Research and Graduate Dean. Spring 2016
Member	Academic/Faculty Affairs Divisional Working Group to review university policies in light of new FOCUS act. Spring 2016.
Member	Research Advisory Council. 2015 to present.
Chair	Committee to select Honors Transfer Fellows. 2013—present.
Member	Committee proposing to alter current digital satellite to analog, 2013
Member	Signal Society. Twenty years of giving, MTSU Foundation.
Member	Ad Hoc Advisory Building Naming Committee, 2012
Member	McNair Advisory Board, 2011.
Member	MTSU Task Force on Non-Violence and Conflict Resolution, 2011.
Chair	Dean of MTSU Library Search Committee, 2010, 2011.
Member	Gubernatorial forum committee (helped arrange on-campus forum for April 29, 2010).
Chair	Ad hoc committee on university Reorganization, 2010.
Chair	University Leadership Council Sub Group on MTSU's Mission. 2010.
Member	Provost Search Committee, 2010.
Member	MTSU Planning Committee, 2010.
Member	Walnut Grove Society. MTSU Foundation, 2010.
Coordinator	Phi Kappa Phi Scholarship nominees for MTSU. More than a dozen of our nominees have received national awards.
Member	Student Media Center Reorganization Committee, College of Mass Communications, 2009.
Member	MTSU Leadership Council, 2009.
Chair	Committee to review the Office of Institutional Effectiveness, Planning and Research for possible reorganization, 2009.
Member	Search Committee, Director of Development, 2008.
Member	MTSU Planning Committee, 2008 to present.

Chair	University Academic Master Plan Committee. Involved coordinating the work of three subcommittees and being lead author of the final report that covered years 2007-2017.
Member	Departmental Search Subcommittee for Comparative Government position, 2005.
Mentor	Sarafina Croft, MTSU McNair Program, 2005.
Member	Undergraduate Research, Scholarship, And Creative Projects Committee (URSCPC), 2005.
Chair	University search committee. Assistant Provost, 2003.
Mentor	McNair Program. Subject of paper: Affirmative Action, 2002,
Member	Best Practices Task Force, 2002.
Executive Council	AAUP, 2001.
Organized	Visit to campus by Sergei Khrushchev to speak on "Russia Under Putin," and "The Cold War." 2001.
Member	Committee to assess MTSU Honors College. 2001.
Member	Faculty Sick Leave Bank Committee, 2000.
President	MTSU Chapter of American Association of University Professors, 2000.
Executive Council	Chairs Council, 2000.
President	MTSU Chairs' Council, 1999-00.
Member	Search Committee for Jennings and Rebekah Jones Chair of Excellence in Urban and Regional Planning, 1999.
Member	Departmental Search Subcommittee for law position, 1999.
Chair	Interdepartmental Search Committee for Director, MTSU's Gore Center, 1999.
Member	Departmental Search Committee for International Relations Position, 1999.
Member	Departmental Search Subcommittee for law position, 1998.
Member	Search Committee for Associate Dean of Liberal Arts, 1998.
Moderator	MTSU Quiz Bowl, 1998.
Vice President	MTSU Chairs' Council, 1998-99.
President	MTSU Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, 1997.

Co-Chair Beta	Committee to inquire into the possibility of establishing a Phi Kappa chapter at MTSU, 1997.
Member	Advisory Committee on Jennings Jones Chair of Planning, 1997.
Chair	Ad Hoc Committee to Write By-Laws for Council of Chairs, 1996.
President-Elect	MTSU Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi Honorary Society, 1996.
Nominator	Scott Langford received Lewis Moore award for outstanding undergraduate paper from Tennessee Political Science Association. Paper prepared for constitutional law class. 1995.  April Perry received Louis Moore award for outstanding undergraduate paper from Tennessee Political Science Association. Paper was her honors thesis prepared under my direction. 1996.
Member	Committee on MTSU's Gore Center, 1994.
Member	Screening Committee, Advisor for Liberal Arts, 1993.
Member	Task Force on Research Assignments, 1993.
Member	Committee to investigate allegations of fraudulent scholarly Activity, 1993.
Member	Departmental search committee, 1993.
Departmental Self-Study	Wrote a section, served as a Study resource person & helped proofread final report, 1993.
MTSU Coordinator minority	Tennessee Pre-Professional Program (Program for state students), 1992.
Moderator	MTSU Mock Presidential Debates, 1992.
Member	Departmental Search Committee, 1992.
Member	Committee on Windham Lecture Series, 1992.
Member	Search Committee for Director of Grants & Sponsored Research, 1991.
Member	Search Committee for Political Science, 1991.
Member	Ad hoc Advisory Committee for University Honors Program, 1991.
Member	Committee to address relation between Departments of History and Historic Preservation, 1990
Member	Search Committee for Political Science, 1990.

Advisor	MTSU Pre-law Society with Dr. Vandervort, 1989.
Member	MTSU Salary Review Committee, Served as Secretary. 1989-91.
Representative	MSU, Truman Scholarship, 1985-90.
Member	MSU Prof. Improvement Com., c 1985.
Member	Committee for contract work, 1988
Chairman	MSU Curriculum Revision Committee, 1980-85.
Member	Library, Self-Study Committee, 1983.
Representative	MSU Faculty Senate, 1981.
Committee Member	Liberal Arts Screening Committee, Dean, 1980.

#### REVIEWS OF OTHER PROGRAMS:

I have served as an outside reviewer for the following programs: Criminal Justice Program, Homeland Security Emphasis, Austin Peay State University, March 30, 2015; Tennessee Technological University, B.S. in Psychology, April, 2013; Volunteer State University, University Parallel Program, March, 2012; Tennessee Tech, Physics Department, April 7, 2009; Southwest Community College, Memphis, Police Science, April 9, 2008; University of Tennessee, Martin, Political Science Program, June 3-5, 2007; Tennessee State University Political Science Program, 2007; Austin Peay State University Political Science Program, 2004; and as a member of a visitation team from Southern Association of Colleges and Schools examining Troy State University M.A. and M.P.A. programs in Virginia & Washington, D.C. March 23-27, 1992.

#### MOCK TRIAL COACH:

From 1989 to 2013, I worked with colleagues to coach mock trial teams at Middle Tennessee State University and, since 1990, to host an annual invitational tournament, which is one of the nation's largest. I helped teach a class each fall and generally accompanied students on about six to eight tournaments a year. MTSU teams have qualified for participation in the National Championship Tournament (which hosts 64 teams) for 18 of 21 years and placed in the top ten for more than half of these years. I believe this is as good a record as any public university in the nation. Numerous MTSU mock trial students have qualified as All-American Attorneys or Witnesses, and most have gone to law school.

As a Chair, I further supported the development of a Mediation Team, which has been active since 2000. This team has also consistently placed in national competition, and has twice been national champion. One of our mock trial students won a \$10,000 scholarship at the National Diversity Mock Trial Tournament in Chicago in 2007. Another won a \$3,000 scholarship in 2008. I have included further information in an appendix.

I have served on AMTA case committees, chaired the Rules Committee that aligned AMTA rules with Federal Rules, and served on the Strategic Planning Committee.

## SERVICE TO PUBLISHERS AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

Selection Committee	Chosen by the Institute of International Education to select applicants for English Teaching Assistantships to Greece for the Fulbright Program. 2016-2019.
Advisory Board Member	ABC-CLIO American Government Schools/Academic Database. 2016-2020.
Referee for Articles	<i>Federaalisme-Regionalisme journal (U. of Liege); Publius: The Journal of Federalism; Midsouth Political Science Journal; Southeastern Review; American Journal of Legal History; Judicature; Quarterly; Polity; American Political Science Review; Perspectives on Political Science; (Hamline University); and Studies in American Political Development.</i>
Referee for Books	St. Martin's Press; Praeger/Greenwood Publishers; Random House; Prentice-Hall; University Press of Virginia; Wadsworth; Northern Illinois University Press; University of Tennessee Press; Vanderbilt University Press, UGA Press, and Rowman & Littlefield.
Editor, LPSA	Edited, <i>Louisiana Political Scientist</i> , 1981-82, 1982-83, 1985-86
Reviewer	1986 NEH Small Travel Grants
Elected to Executive Council	Tennessee Political Science Association, 1992.
Education Committee Vice-President	Tennessee Political Science Association, 1992. Tennessee Political Science Association, In charge of annual program, 1993
President-Elect	Tennessee Political Science Association, 1994
Editor	<i>TPSA Directory of Tennessee Political Scientists</i> 1995-96, 1996-1997, 1997-98, 1998-99
President	Tennessee Political Science Association, 1995
Faculty Associate	Crossroads. Designed to nurture and mentor Ph.D. students interested in linking Biblical faith and public policy. Monograph committee on paper on school voucher programs, 1994.
Member	National Board of the American Mock Trial Association, 1995-2013. Serve on case committee, rules committee (Chair), and invitational tournament committees. Wrote and produced 15-minute video-tape for instructing judges at mock trial tournaments throughout the nation. Outside observer & tab-room director at a number of tournaments.
Outside reviewer	Reviewed an application for tenure & promotion in the Department of History & Political Science, University of Missouri-Rolla, 1998.
Commissioner	Commission on the Judiciary. Annenberg Foundation Trust, Philadelphia. Oct. 6, 2004. Commented on chapters on book on Judiciary.



Reviewer

Revision of *Guide to the Presidency*, for Congressional Quarterly, 2005.

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:**

American Mock Trial Association (Emeritus Board Member), American Association of University Professors, National Collegiate Honors Council, American Political Science Association, Christians in Political Science