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TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Assistant Professor of Legal Studies, **Georgia Gwinnett College**, Lawrenceville, Georgia,
August 2024-Present.

Previously, Part-time Instructor, August 2014-May 2015; January 2019-May 2020.

Courses taught:

- *Political Science 1101* (American Government) undergraduate course (online and face-to-face).
- *Political Science 2101* (Introduction to Political Science) undergraduate course (face-to-face).
- *Political Science/Environmental Science 3020* (Environmental Law) undergraduate course (online).
- *Political Science 3500* (Introduction to Public Administration) undergraduate course (face-to-face).
- *Political Science 3691* (Overview of American Law) undergraduate course (online).
- *Political Science 3701* (Civil Litigation for Paralegals I) undergraduate course (face-to-face).
- *Political Science 4160* (American Judicial Process) undergraduate course (face-to-face).
- *Political Science 4230* (Topics in American Politics: Film) undergraduate course (face-to-face).
- *Political Science 4300* (Criminal Law in Practice) undergraduate course (face-to-face).
- *Political Science 4700* (Constitutional Law) undergraduate course (face-to-face).
- *Political Science 4989* (Directed reading) undergraduate one-on-one course (online).
- *Honors 3000* (Special Topics: The American Struggle for Civil Rights, 1865-1965) undergraduate course (face-to-face).

Lecturer of Political Science, **Kennesaw State University**, Kennesaw, Georgia, August 2021-July 2024.

Previously, Limited Term Assistant Professor of Public Administration, August 2020-May 2021.

Previously, Part-time Assistant Professor of Political Science, August 1998-May 2019.

Courses taught:

- *Political Science 1101* (American Government in a Global Perspective) undergraduate course (online and face-to-face).
- *Political Science 2212* (State & Local Government) undergraduate course (face-to-face).
- *Political Science 3313* (Public Policy Analysis) undergraduate course (face-to-face).
- *Political Science 3356* (Environmental Politics and Policy) undergraduate course (face-to-face).
- *Political Science 4410* (American Legal System) undergraduate course (face-to-face).
- *Political Science 4430* (International Law and Organizations) undergraduate course (face-to-face).
- *Public Administration 7250* (Leadership and Ethics) graduate course (face-to-face).

Part-time Instructor, **Oglethorpe University**, Brookhaven, Georgia, January 2024-May 2024.

- Taught *Core 202* (Human Nature and the Social Order) undergraduate course (face-to-face).

Affiliated Professor, **The University of Georgia**, Athens, Georgia, January 2004-May 2004; August 2010-December 2010; June 2011-August 2011; August 2012-December 2013; June 2017-December 2017; June 2018-December 2018; August 2019-December 2019; June 2020-August 2020.

Courses taught:

- *Public Administration 4620* (Public Administration & Democracy) undergraduate course (face-to-face).
- *Public Administration 6910* (Public Administration & Democracy) graduate course (face-to-face).
- *Public Administration 6490* (Administrative Law) graduate course (face-to-face).
- *Public Administration 7380* (Administrative Ethics) graduate course (face-to-face).
- *Public Administration 8620* (Policy Process) graduate course (online and face-to-face).
- *Public Administration 8650* (Environmental Policy Seminar) graduate course (face-to-face).

Part-time Instructor, **The University of South Dakota**, Vermillion, South Dakota, August 2009-May 2014.

Courses taught:

- *Political Science/Criminal Justice 431* (Criminal Law) undergraduate course (online).
- *Political Science/Criminal Justice 433* (Criminal Procedure) undergraduate course (online).
- *Political Science 733* (Administrative Law and Government) graduate course (online).

Part-time Instructor, **Southern Polytechnic State University**, Marietta, Georgia, January 2005-May 2005.

- Taught *Political Science 3201* (Constitutional and International Law) undergraduate course (face-to-face).

Adjunct Instructor, **Atlanta's John Marshall Law School**, Atlanta, Georgia, September 1997-August 1999.

- Taught environmental law to second and third-year law students during three trimesters (face-to-face).

Part-time Instructor, **Georgia State University**, Atlanta, Georgia, September 1995-June 1998.
Courses taught:

- *Political Science 101* (Introduction to American Government) undergraduate course (face-to-face).
- *Political Science 201* (Introduction to Political Science) undergraduate course (face-to-face).
- *Public Administration 854/Political Science 875* (Ethics for Public Administrators) graduate course (face-to-face).

PUBLICATIONS:

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles (17):

Mead, Loren B., and J. Michael Martinez. "A Southern White Clergyman, the Freed People, and the Nineteenth-Century Episcopal Church." *Journal of Anglican Studies*, Vol. 22, No. 1 (May 2024), pp. 290-309.

Mead, Loren B., and J. Michael Martinez. "Three Episcopal Ministers, Black Communicants, and the Civil War Era." *Anglican & Episcopal History*, Vol. 92, No. 3 (September 2023), pp. 398-426.

Martinez, J. Michael, and M. Christine Cagle. "Reexamining Confederate Symbols Displayed on Flags and Monuments in Public Spaces: Two Fallacies in the Heritage Versus Hate Debate." *Social Science Quarterly*, Vol. 103, No. 2 (March 2022), pp. 346-364.

Martinez, J. Michael. "Managing Scientific Uncertainty in Medical Decision Making: The Case of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices." *Journal of Medicine & Philosophy*, Vol. 37, No. 1 (February 2012), pp. 6-27.

Brudney, Jeffrey L., and J. Michael Martinez. "Teaching Administrative Ethics in Nonprofit Management: Recommendations to Improve Degrees, Certificates, and Concentration Programs." *Journal of Public Affairs Education*, Vol. 16, No. 2 (Spring 2010), pp. 181-206.

Martinez, J. Michael. "The *Luevano* Consent Decree and Public Personnel Reform." *Public Personnel Management*, Vol. 37, No. 3 (Fall 2008), pp. 327-338.

- Martinez, J. Michael. "The Georgia Confederate Flag Dispute." *The Georgia Historical Quarterly*, Vol. 92, No. 2 (Summer 2008), pp. 200-228. A response to a letter to the editor can be found in: "Communications." *The Georgia Historical Quarterly*, Vol. 92, No. 4 (Winter 2008), pp. 570-576.
- Martinez, J. Michael. "Jeffersonian and Hamiltonian Views of Nature in the Early American Republic." *Politics & Policy*, Vol. 33, No. 3 (September 2005), pp. 522-552.
- Cagle, M. Christine, and J. Michael Martinez. "Have Gun, Will Travel: The Dispute Between the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Rifle Association on Firearm Violence as a Public Health Problem." *Politics & Policy*, Vol. 32, No. 2 (June 2004), pp. 278-310.
- Martinez, J. Michael. "Liability and Volunteer Organizations: A Survey of the Law." *Nonprofit Management & Leadership*, Vol. 14, No. 2 (Winter 2003), pp. 151-169.
- Martinez, J. Michael. "The Carter Administration and the Evolution of American Nuclear Non-Proliferation Policy, 1977-1981." *Journal of Policy History*, Vol. 14, No. 3 (Summer 2002), pp. 261-292.
- Martinez, J. Michael, and William D. Richardson. "*The Federalist Papers* and Legal Interpretation." *South Dakota Law Review*, Vol. 45, No. 2 (Summer 2000), pp. 307-333.
- Thrower, Alex W., and J. Michael Martinez. "Reconciling Anthropocentrism and Biocentrism Through Adaptive Management: The Case of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant and Public Risk Perception." *The Journal of Environment & Development*, Vol. 9, No. 1 (March 2000), pp. 68-97.
- Thrower, Alex W., and J. Michael Martinez. "Hazardous Materials Transportation in an Age of Devolution." *The American Review of Public Administration*, Vol. 29, No. 2 (June 1999), pp. 167-189.
- Abstracted in: *Peace Research Abstracts Journal*, Vol. 36, No. 5 (October 1999), p. 641.
- Cagle, M. Christine, J. Michael Martinez, and William D. Richardson. "Privatizing Professional Licensing Boards: Self-Governance or Self-Interest?" *Administration & Society*, Vol. 30, No. 6 (January 1999), pp. 734-770.
- Revised and reprinted as: Richardson, William D., M. Christine Cagle, and J. Michael Martinez. "Professional Licensing." In *Governing America: Major Decisions of Federal, State, and Local Governments from 1789 to the Present*. Edited by Paul J. Quirk and William Cunio. New York: Facts on File, Inc., an Imprint of Infobase Learning, 2011, pp. 99-108.
- Martinez, J. Michael. "Law Versus Ethics: Reconciling Two Concepts of Public Service Ethics." *Administration & Society*, Vol. 29, No. 6 (January 1998), pp. 690-722.

- Reprinted in: *Ethics and Character: The Pursuit of Democratic Virtues*. Edited by William D. Richardson, J. Michael Martinez, and Kerry R. Stewart. Durham, NC: Carolina Academic Press, 1998, pp. 107-139.

Martinez, J. Michael. "State Displays of Confederate Symbols: Legal Challenges and the Political Question Doctrine." *Southeastern Political Review*, Vol. 25, No. 1 (March 1997), pp. 163-180.

- Revised and reprinted as: "Confederate Symbols, the Courts, and the Political Question Doctrine." In *Confederate Symbols in the Contemporary South*. Edited by J. Michael Martinez, William D. Richardson, and Ron McNinch-Su. Gainesville, FL: The University Press of Florida, 2000, pp. 224-239.

Peer-Reviewed Books Authored and Co-Authored (22):

Martinez, J. Michael. *The Jehovah's Witnesses and American Constitutional History: The Unanimity of the Graveyard*. New York and London: Routledge, an Imprint of Taylor & Francis. Studies in Law, Rights, and Justice Series. Under contract. Publication expected in 2028.

Martinez, J. Michael. *Demagogues: Charismatic Political Leaders in American History*. New York and London: Bloomsbury Academic. Under contract. Publication expected in 2027.

Herbel, Jerry, and J. Michael Martinez. *Law and Public Administration: Understanding the Legal Environment of Public Service*. New York and London: Palgrave Macmillan. Publication scheduled for February 2027.

Mead, Loren B., and J. Michael Martinez. *Fulfill Thy Ministry: Three Episcopal Clergymen, Race, and the Civil War Era*. New York and London: Bloomsbury Academic, 2026.

Martinez, J. Michael. *Public Service Exemplars: A Finer Spirit of Hope and Achievement*. New York and London: Routledge, an Imprint of Taylor & Francis, 2025.

Martinez, J. Michael. *Scoundrels: Political Scandals in American History*. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2023.

- Reviewed in: *Publishers Weekly* (March 2023), URL: <https://www.publishersweekly.com/9781538130797>.

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- Reviewed in: *Publishers Weekly* (June 2022), URL: <https://www.publishersweekly.com/9781538167533>.
- Reviewed in: *Inside Higher Ed* (August 5, 2022), URL: <https://www.insidehighered.com/views/2022/08/05/review-j-michael-martinezs-libertines-opinion>.

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- Martinez, J. Michael. *Congressional Giants: Influential Leaders of Congress and How They Shaped American History*. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, an imprint of Rowman & Littlefield, 2020.
- Martinez, J. Michael. *Congressional Lions: Trailblazing Members of Congress and How They Shaped American History*. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, an imprint of Rowman & Littlefield, 2019.
- *Reviewed in: Choice*, Vol. 57, No. 9 (May 2020), pp. 1021-1022.
- Martinez, J. Michael. *Political Assassinations and Attempts in U.S. History: The Lasting Effects of Gun Violence Against American Political Leaders*. New York: Carrel Books, an imprint of Skyhorse Publishing, 2017.
- A selection of the History Book Club, the Military Book Club, the Literary Guild Book Club, and the Library of Science Book Club, November 2017.
 - *Reviewed in: Journal of Strategic Security*, Vol. 11, No. 1 (Spring 2018), pp. 72-75.
- Martinez, J. Michael. *Environmental Sustainability and American Public Administration: Past, Present, and Future*. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, an imprint of Rowman & Littlefield, 2016.
- *Reviewed in: Choice*, Vol. 54, No. 10 (June 2017), p. 1568.
- Martinez, J. Michael. *A Long Dark Night: Race in America from Jim Crow to World War II*. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2016.
- *Reviewed in: Publishers Weekly* (May 2, 2016), URL: [Http://www.publishersweekly.com/978-1-4422-5994-2](http://www.publishersweekly.com/978-1-4422-5994-2).
 - *Reviewed in: The Journal of Southern History*, Vol. 83, No. 2 (May 2017), pp. 463-464.
 - *Reviewed in: The Journal of American History*, Vol. 104, No. 3 (December 2017), pp. 794-795.
 - *Reviewed in: The Journal of African American History*, Vol. 104, No. 4 (Fall 2019), p. 693.
- Martinez, J. Michael. *The Safety of the Kingdom: Government Responses to Subversive Threats*. New York: Carrel Books, an imprint of Skyhorse Publishing, 2015.
- Martinez, J. Michael. *The Greatest Criminal Cases: Changing the Course of American Law*. Santa Barbara, CA: Praeger Publishers, an imprint of ABC-CLIO, 2014.
- Martinez, J. Michael. *American Environmentalism: Philosophy, History, and Public Policy*. Boca Raton, FL: CRC Press, an imprint of Taylor & Francis, 2014.
- *Reviewed in Integrated Environmental Assessment and Management*, Vol. 10, No. 4 (September 2014), p. 605.

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- Reviewed in: *Library Journal*, Vol. 138, No. 1 (January 2013), p. 97.
- Reviewed in: *Choice*, Vol. 50, No. 9 (May 2013), p. 1700.

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- Reviewed in: *Michigan Citizen*, Vol. 34, No. 9 (January 8, 2012), p. A9.
- Reviewed in: *Booklist*, Vol. 108, No. 11 (February 1, 2012), p. 21.
- Reviewed in: *Civil War Book Review Online* (May 24, 2012), URL: [Http://www.cwbr.com](http://www.cwbr.com).
- Reviewed in: *The Journal of Southern History*, Vol. 79, No. 2 (May 2013), pp. 479-480.
- Reviewed in: *The American Interest*, Vol. 9, No. 2 (November/December 2013), pp. 74-81.
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- Reviewed in: *The Historian*, Vol. 77, No. 1 (Spring 2015), pp. 130-131.

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- Reviewed in: *Governance*, Vol. 22, No. 4 (October 2009), pp. 747-750.

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- Reviewed in: *Choice*, Vol. 44, No. 12 (August 2007), p. 2165.
- Reviewed in: *Indiana Magazine of History*, Vol. 103, No. 4 (December 2007), p. 462.
- Reviewed in: *Civil War History*, Vol. 55, No. 3 (September 2009), pp. 394-396.

Martinez, J. Michael. *Life and Death in Civil War Prisons: The Parallel Torments of Corporal John Wesley Minnich, C.S.A. and Sergeant Warren Lee Goss, U.S.A.* Nashville, TN: Rutledge Hill Press, 2004.

- A selection of the History Book Club, June 2004.
- Reviewed in: *Foreign Affairs*, Vol. 83, No. 6 (November/December 2004), p. 150.
- Reviewed in: *Blue & Gray*, Vol. 22, No. 2 (Spring 2005), pp. 29-30.
- Reviewed in: *The Journal of American History*, Vol. 92, No. 2 (September 2005), p. 616.

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- Martinez, James Michael. "Packaging Legislation and Unintended Consequences: A Case Study on the Necessity of Life Cycle Management." In *Towards Life Cycle Sustainability Management*. Edited by Matthias Finkbeiner. London and New York: Springer, 2011, pp. 371-380.
- Martinez, J. Michael. "Legal Arguments in Favor of the Death Penalty." In *The Leviathan's Choice: Capital Punishment in the Twenty-First Century*. Edited by J. Michael Martinez, William D. Richardson, and D. Brandon Hornsby. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2002, pp. 249-270.
- Martinez, J. Michael. "'Freakishly Imposed' or 'Fundamentally Fair'? Legal Arguments Against the Death Penalty." In *The Leviathan's Choice: Capital Punishment in the Twenty-First Century*. Edited by J. Michael Martinez, William D. Richardson, and D. Brandon Hornsby. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2002, pp. 227-247.
- Martinez, J. Michael. "'The Executioner's Face is Always Well Hidden': Social Science Arguments Against Capital Punishment." In *The Leviathan's Choice: Capital Punishment in the Twenty-First Century*. Edited by J. Michael Martinez, William D. Richardson, and D. Brandon Hornsby. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2002, pp. 195-210.
- Cagle, M. Christine, and J. Michael Martinez. "Social Science Data and the Death Penalty: Understanding the Debate over 'A Broken System.'" In *The Leviathan's Choice: Capital Punishment in the Twenty-First Century*. Edited by J. Michael Martinez, William D. Richardson, and D. Brandon Hornsby. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2002, pp. 141-157.
- Martinez, J. Michael. "'Woe to the Hand That Shed This Costly Blood': Philosophical Arguments Against the Death Penalty." In *The Leviathan's Choice: Capital Punishment in the Twenty-First Century*. Edited by J. Michael Martinez, William D. Richardson, and D. Brandon Hornsby. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2002, pp. 41-66.
- Martinez, J. Michael, William D. Richardson, and Cheryl A. Brown. "Low Deeds and High Goods: Philosophical Foundations of the Death Penalty in the American Regime." In *The Leviathan's Choice: Capital Punishment in the Twenty-First Century*. Edited by J. Michael Martinez, William D. Richardson, and D. Brandon Hornsby. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2002, pp. 3-18.
- Martinez, J. Michael, William D. Richardson, and D. Brandon Hornsby. "Introduction: Perspectives on the Death Penalty." In *The Leviathan's Choice: Capital Punishment in the Twenty-First Century*. Edited by J. Michael Martinez, William D. Richardson, and D. Brandon Hornsby. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2002, pp. xi-xxvi.

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Martinez, J. Michael. "Traditionalist Perspectives on Confederate Symbols." In ***Confederate Symbols in the Contemporary South***. Edited by J. Michael Martinez, William D. Richardson, and Ron McNinch-Su. Gainesville, FL: The University Press of Florida, 2000, pp. 243-280.

Martinez, J. Michael, and Robert M. Harris. "Graves, Worms, and Epitaphs: Confederate Monuments in the Southern Landscape." In ***Confederate Symbols in the Contemporary South***. Edited by J. Michael Martinez, William D. Richardson, and Ron McNinch-Su. Gainesville, FL: The University Press of Florida, 2000, pp. 130-192.

Martinez, J. Michael, and William D. Richardson. "Introduction: Understanding the Debate Over Confederate Symbols." In ***Confederate Symbols in the Contemporary South***. Edited by J. Michael Martinez, William D. Richardson, and Ron McNinch-Su. Gainesville, FL: The University Press of Florida, 2000, pp. 1-22.

Martinez, J. Michael, and Kerry R. Stewart. "Ethics, Virtue, and Character Development." In ***Ethics and Character: The Pursuit of Democratic Virtues***. Edited by William D. Richardson, J. Michael Martinez, and Kerry R. Stewart. Durham, NC: Carolina Academic Press, 1998, pp. 19-45.

Richardson, William D., and *J. Michael Martinez*. "Introduction." In ***Ethics and Character: The Pursuit of Democratic Virtues***. Edited by William D. Richardson, J. Michael Martinez, and Kerry R. Stewart. Durham, NC: Carolina Academic Press, 1998, pp. 5-17.

Peer-Reviewed Co-Edited Books (3):

Martinez, J. Michael, William D. Richardson, and D. Brandon Hornsby, Editors. ***The Leviathan's Choice: Capital Punishment in the Twenty-First Century***. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2002.

- Choice Outstanding Academic Title 2003.
- Reviewed in: ***Choice***, Vol. 40, No. 8 (April 2003), p. 1403.
- Reviewed in: ***Contemporary Sociology***, Vol. 32, No. 6 (November 2003), pp. 758-759.
- Reviewed in: ***Sociological Spectrum***, Vol. 24, No. 6 (November/December 2004), pp. 705-712.

Martinez, J. Michael, William D. Richardson, and Ron McNinch-Su, Editors. ***Confederate Symbols in the Contemporary South***. Gainesville, FL: The University Press of Florida, 2000.

- Reviewed in: ***Library Journal***, Vol. 125, No. 12 (July 2000), p. 114.
- Reviewed in: ***Tennessee Historical Quarterly***, Vol. 59, No. 4 (Winter 2000), p. 313.

- Reviewed in: *Georgia Historical Quarterly*, Vol. 84, No. 3 (September 2000), pp. 547-549.
- Reviewed in: *H-Net Reviews in the Humanities & Social Sciences* (December 2000), n.p.
- Reviewed in: *The Washington Post*, April 1, 2001, p. T10.
- Reviewed in: *Blue & Gray*, Vol. 18, No. 4 (April 2001), p. 34.
- Reviewed in: *Civil War History*, Vol. 47, No. 2 (June 2001), pp. 167-168.
- Reviewed in: *Journal of Southern History*, Vol. 68, No. 1 (February 2002), pp. 234-236.
- Reviewed in: *Louisiana History: The Journal of the Louisiana Historical Association*, Vol. 43, No. 2 (Spring 2002), pp. 236-238.
- Reviewed in: *The Florida Historical Quarterly*, Vol. 80, No. 4 (Spring 2002), pp. 565-566.
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- “*Unredeemed Land: An Environmental History of Civil War and Emancipation in the Cotton South*, by Erin Stewart Mauldin.” *The American Historian* (September 2019). URL: <https://www.oah.org/tah/issues/2019/environmental-history/reviews/>.
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- “The Confederate Battle Flag: America’s Most Embattled Emblem**, by John M. Coski.” *Blue & Gray*, Vol. 22, No. 3 (Fall 2005), p. 28; *Journal of Politics*, Vol. 67, No. 4 (November 2005), pp. 1301-1302.
- “Managing Risk in Nonprofit Organizations: A Comprehensive Guide.”** *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly*, Vol. 34, No. 2 (June 2005), pp. 287-290.
- “A Confederate Yankee: The Journal of Edward William Drummond, A Confederate Soldier from Maine**, Edited by Roger S. Durham, and *Yankee Rebel: The Civil War Journal of Edmund DeWitt Patterson*, Edited by John G. Barrett.” *Blue & Gray*, Vol. 21, No. 6 (Holiday 2004), p. 29.

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE (8):

Georgia Gwinnett College, Lawrenceville, Georgia, Student Conference Recruiter, January 2026-Present.

Georgia Gwinnett College, Lawrenceville, Georgia, Faculty Senate, August 2025-present.

Georgia Gwinnett College, Lawrenceville, Georgia, Faculty Advisor to the Law Society, June 2025-Present.

Georgia Gwinnett College, Lawrenceville, Georgia, Department of Political Science, Criminal Justice, & International Studies Prelaw Advisor, October 2024-Present.

Georgia Gwinnett College, Lawrenceville, Georgia, Rowen Convergence Center Steering Committee Member, August 2024-Present.

Georgia Gwinnett College, Lawrenceville, Georgia, POLS 1101 Template Assessment Committee Member, April 2026-July 2026.

Georgia Gwinnett College, Lawrenceville, Georgia, Chair, Promotion and Student Engagement Committee, Department of Political Science, Criminal Justice, & International Studies, August 2025-January 2026.

Georgia Gwinnett College, Lawrenceville, Georgia, Search Committee Chair, Assistant Professor of Legal Studies Position, October 2024-March 2025.

PRESENTATIONS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE (62):

Lawrenceville Arts Center, America at 250: Celebrating Our Journey, Lawrenceville, Georgia, August 1, 2026. Panel Participant: “Our Nation in the Arts: The Western Genre and American Mythologies.”

Virtual Summer Conference of the Southern Political Science Association, June 15, 2026. Paper presentation: “Lewis Charles Levin and the Nativist Appeal in American Politics.”

St. Luke’s Episcopal Church, Durham, North Carolina, June 11, 2026. Discussant: “*Fulfill Thy Ministry: Three Episcopal Clergymen, Race, and the Civil War Era.*” Sold and signed copies of the book afterward.

Eighty-Third Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 26, 2026. Virtual Paper presentation: “The U.S. Senate Filibuster in Political Time: Reframing the Debate.”

Georgia Gwinnett College, Book Talk, Lawrenceville, Georgia, April 13, 2026. Discussant (with Dr. Richard Rawls): “*Fulfill Thy Ministry: Three Episcopal Clergymen, Race, and the Civil War Era.*”

Georgia Gwinnett College, Essential Dialogues Panel, Lawrenceville, Georgia, April 9, 2026. Panel Participant: “Should the U.S. Adopt a Universal Health Care System?”

One Hundred and Fifth Annual Conference of the Southwestern Social Science Association, Nashville, Tennessee, April 2, 2026. Paper presentation: “‘Ambition Is His Crime’: Andrew Jackson, America’s First Demagogic President.”

Georgia Gwinnett College, “Unbuttoning the Declaration @ 250,” Black History Month Roundtable, Lawrenceville, Georgia, February 26, 2026. Roundtable participant: “The Declaration of Independence and Black History.”

Ninety-Seventh Annual Conference of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 16, 2026. Paper presentation (co-presented with Bahishta Nadir): “Analyzing the Trump Administration’s Efforts to Reverse the Legal Precedents on Birthright Citizenship.”

Georgia Gwinnett College, Panel on Careers in Environmental Sustainability, Lawrenceville, Georgia, November 20, 2025. Panel moderator for a discussion featuring six prominent environmental professionals.

Georgia Gwinnett College, Constitution Week Roundtable on *Worcester v. Georgia* (1832), Lawrenceville, Georgia, September 18, 2025. Discussant: “Federalist 78: The Least Dangerous Branch?”

Georgia Gwinnett College, School of Business Administration, Lawrenceville, Georgia, September 10, 2025. Panel participant: “Lunch and Learn: So, You Want to Go to Law School?”

Georgia Gwinnett College, School of Liberal Arts, Lawrenceville, Georgia, February 11, 2025. Discussant: “How to Publish an Academic Book.”

Kennesaw State University, Norman J. Radow College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Kennesaw, Georgia, March 21, 2023. Discussant: “Getting Your Book Published.”

Kennesaw State University School of Government & International Affairs Constitution Week Roundtable, Kennesaw, Georgia, September 19, 2022. Roundtable participant: “*West Virginia vs. EPA*: Environmental Policy, Bureaucratic Rules, and the U.S. Supreme Court.”

Kennesaw State University School of Government & International Affairs Brown Bag Research Series, Kennesaw, Georgia, October 26, 2021. Speaker: “Public Service Exemplars: A Finer Spirit of Hope and Achievement.”

Seventy-Eighth Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, Virtual Conference, April 15, 2021. Roundtable participant: “Writing and Publishing a Book.”

William Thomas Overby/Coweta Guards Camp 715, Sons of Confederate Veterans, Newnan, Georgia, June 25, 2019. Invited speaker: “*Life and Death in Civil War Prisons*: POWs during the Civil War.”

University of Georgia School of Public & International Affairs, Master of Public Administration Orientation/Socialization Seminar, Athens, Georgia, August 7, 2018. Invited speaker: “Administrative Ethics.”

University of Georgia School of Public & International Affairs, Master of Public Administration Orientation/Socialization Seminar, Athens, Georgia, August 8, 2017. Invited speaker: “Administrative Ethics.”

National Plastics Exposition 2015, Orlando, Florida, March 24, 2015. Speaker: “Challenges in Plastics Advocacy: The Postmodern Conundrum.”

Georgia Recycling Coalition 23rd Annual Conference, St. Simons Island, Georgia, August 18, 2014. Speaker: “Corporate Sustainability.”

Keep Georgia Beautiful 2014 Spring Conference, Jekyll Island, Georgia, June 3, 2014. Invited speaker: “Understanding Sustainability: *American Environmentalism: Philosophy, History, and Public Policy*.” Signed copies of *American Environmentalism: Philosophy, History, and Public Policy* afterward.

Georgia Recycling Coalition 22nd Annual Conference, St. Simons Island, Georgia, August 19, 2013. Speaker: “The State of the U.S. Environmental Movement: *American Environmentalism: Philosophy, History, and Public Policy*.” Sold and signed copies of *American Environmentalism: Philosophy, History, and Public Policy* afterward.

National Plastics Exposition 2012, Orlando, Florida, April 4, 2012. Speaker: “Portland, Oregon, and Polystyrene Foam: Why Sustainability and Product Bans Are Incompatible.”

Life Cycle Management Conference (LCM) 2011, Berlin, Germany, August 30, 2011. Paper presentation: “Packaging Legislation and Unintended Consequences: A Case Study on the Necessity of Life Cycle Management.”

National Plastics Exposition 2009, Chicago, Illinois, June 25, 2009. Speaker: “Polystyrene Foam and Product Deselection: Case Studies from the Trenches.”

Northeast Georgia Civil War Roundtable, Lawrenceville, Georgia, November 2, 2008. Invited speaker: “Confederate Monuments.” Signed and sold copies of *Confederate Symbols in the Contemporary South* afterward.

Florence County Library Summer Reading Series, Florence, South Carolina, July 10, 2008. Invited speaker: “Civil War Prisons and the Florence Stockade.” Received \$100.00 honorarium and signed copies of *Life and Death in Civil War Prisons* afterward.

University Lecture Series, Sponsored by the W.O. Farber Center for Civic Leadership at the University of South Dakota and the Department of Political Science, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, South Dakota, April 8, 2008. Invited speaker: “Understanding America’s First Organized Terrorist Group: How the Ku Klux Klan Arose During Reconstruction and Why It Failed.” Received \$1,450.00 honorarium and signed copies of *Carpetbaggers, Cavalry, and the Ku Klux Klan: Exposing the Invisible Empire During Reconstruction* afterward. Broadcast on South Dakota Public Television.

Professional Career Development Institute, James Madison High School, Norcross, Georgia, November 2004-April 2005. Technical Writer: Developed high school civics correspondence course.

Southern Polytechnic State University (SPSU) International Studies Global Technology Advisory Board, Marietta, Georgia, April 2004. Temporary board member: Charged with providing advice on creating a new international studies major for SPSU undergraduate students.

Senior University of Greater Atlanta at Mercer University, Atlanta, Georgia, September 26, 2003. Guest lecturer: "Politics, Policy, and Post-Ideology."

Hidden Hills Valley Retirement Community: An Outreach Program of Public & International Affairs at the University of Georgia, Bogart, Georgia, March 11, 2003. Guest lecturer: "Liberty and Equality in Modern America."

Seventy-Fourth Annual Conference of the Southern Political Science Association, Savannah, Georgia, November 8, 2002. Paper presentation (co-authored and co-presented with M. Christine Cagle): "Have Gun, Will Travel: A Case Study of the Dispute Between the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Rifle Association on Firearm Violence as a Public Health Problem."

Senior University of Greater Atlanta at Mercer University, Atlanta, Georgia, September 27, 2002. Guest lecturer: "*E Pluribus Unum*: The Continued Relevance of Founding Principles in a Post-September 11th World."

The Fourth Annual Skills of Leadership Conference, Sponsored by the Mount Rushmore Institute & The W.O. Farber Center for Civic Leadership, University of South Dakota, Custer State Park, South Dakota, May 23, 2002. Presented a six-hour seminar: "How to Lobby for an Issue." Received \$1,000.00 honorarium.

Senior University of Greater Atlanta at Mercer University, Atlanta, Georgia, January 11-March 1, 2002. Presented an eight-week course (co-taught with M. Christine Cagle): "American Political Thought."

Seventy-Third Annual Conference of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, Georgia, November 9, 2001. Paper presentation: "The Carter Administration and the Evolution of American Nuclear Non-Proliferation Policy, 1977-1981."

Senior University of Greater Atlanta at Mercer University, Atlanta, Georgia, October 22, 2001. Guest lecturer: "Liberty and Equality in the American Regime."

Emory Senior University, Atlanta, Georgia, September 25-November 13, 2001. Presented an eight-week course: "Remembering the Civil War: Conflict & Compromise."

Georgia Tech Athletic Association, Atlanta Georgia, September 13-December 11, 2001; January 24-April 29, 2002. Tutored Georgia Tech Athletes enrolled in Political Science 1101.

The Fifteenth Annual Deep Delta Civil War Symposium, “Interpreting the Civil War: Historical Accuracy Amid the Challenges of Political Sensitivity,” sponsored by the **Center for Southeast Louisiana Studies, Southeastern Louisiana University**, Hammond, Louisiana, June 8, 2001. Invited speaker: “Understanding the Debate Over Confederate Symbols: Traditionalists Versus Reconstructionists.” Received \$200.00 honorarium.

The Third Annual Skills of Leadership Conference, Sponsored by the Mount Rushmore Institute & The W.O. Farber Center for Civic Leadership, University of South Dakota, Custer State Park, South Dakota, May 24, 2001. Presented a six-hour seminar: “How to Lobby for an Issue.” Received \$1,000.00 honorarium.

Senior University of Greater Atlanta at Mercer University, Atlanta, Georgia, January 8-March 5, 2001. Presented an eight-week course: “Ethical Choices for the New Millennium.”

Seventy-Second Annual Conference of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, Georgia, November 9, 2000. Paper presentation: “Emblems from the Southern Sky: Confederate Symbols and the Traditionalist-Reconstructionist Debate.”

Emory Senior University, Atlanta, Georgia, July 11-August 15, 2000. Presented a six-week course: “American Government: The Basics.”

The Second Annual Skills of Leadership Conference, Sponsored by the Mount Rushmore Institute & The W.O. Farber Center for Civic Leadership, University of South Dakota, Custer State Park, South Dakota, May 26, 2000. Presented a six-hour seminar: “How to Lobby for an Issue.” Received \$1,000.00 honorarium.

Senior University of Greater Atlanta at Mercer University, Atlanta, Georgia, January 10-March 6, 2000. Presented an eight-week course: “Understanding Political Ideologies.”

Seventy-First Annual Conference of the Southern Political Science Association, Savannah, Georgia, November 6, 1999. Paper presentation (co-authored with Alex W. Thrower): “Hazardous Materials Transportation in an Age of Devolution.”

Spelman College Political Philosophy Class, Atlanta, Georgia, September 28-29, 1999. Guest lecturer: “Book VII of Plato’s *Republic*: The Myth of the Cave.”

1999 American Political Science Association (APSA) Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, September 3, 1999. Discussant: The National Humanities Institute/Intercollegiate Studies Panel, “Leadership and Moral Character.”

The First Annual Skills of Leadership Conference, Sponsored by the Mount Rushmore Institute & The W.O. Farber Center for Civic Leadership, University of South Dakota, Rapid City, South Dakota, June 9, 1999. Presented a six-hour seminar: “How to Lobby for an Issue.” Received \$800.00 honorarium.

Emory Senior University, Atlanta, Georgia, April 20-June 1, 1999. Presented a seven-week course: “‘If Men Were Angels’: Conceptual Foundations of the American Republic.”

Georgia Medical Institute, Atlanta, Georgia, September 18, 1998. Presented a three-hour in-service training seminar for teachers at proprietary school for phlebotomists and medical assistants: “Effective Faculty Instruction.” Received \$300.00 honorarium.

Bauder College, Atlanta, Georgia, September 14, 1998. Presented a two-hour in-service training seminar for teachers at proprietary business college: “Improving Faculty Instruction Techniques.” Received \$200.00 honorarium.

Emory Senior University, Atlanta, Georgia, June 30-July 28, 1998. Presented a five-week course (co-taught with William D. Richardson): “Men of Granite: Exceptional American Leaders” (Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln and T. Roosevelt).

1997 Meeting of the Southeastern Conference for Public Administration (SECOPA), Knoxville, Tennessee, September 26, 1997. Paper presentation (co-authored and co-presented with M. Christine Cagle and William D. Richardson): “Privatizing Professional Licensing Boards: Self-Governance or Self-Interest?”

Sixty-Eighth Annual Conference of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, Georgia, November 8, 1996. Paper presentation (co-authored with William D. Richardson): “Positivist Law and Regime Principles: The Case of Civil RICO.”

1996 Meeting of the Southeastern Conference for Public Administration (SECOPA), Miami, Florida, October 3, 1996. Paper presentation: “Law Versus Ethics: Reconciling Two Concepts of Public Service Ethics.”

1996 Georgia Political Science Association Annual Conference, Savannah, Georgia, February 23, 1996. Paper presentation: “The Judicial Politics of Confederate Symbols.”

Sixty-Seventh Annual Conference of the Southern Political Science Association, Tampa, Florida, November 2, 1995. Roundtable participant: “Success in Graduate Studies.”

MEDIA INTERVIEWS

Radio Interview, [“Confederate Symbols,”](#) National Public Radio segment, *The Tavis Smiley Show*, June 5, 2002.

Podcast Interview, Season 9, Episode 4, [“Life and Liberty,”](#) BBC Podcast, *An American Journey*, February 9, 2026.

PEER REVIEWS:

Ad hoc peer reviewer for:

- *American Politics Quarterly*
- Bloomsbury Academic Press
- *Congress & The Presidency*
- *International Journal of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities*
- *Journal of American History*
- *Journal of Public Affairs Education*
- *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly*
- Palgrave Macmillan Press
- *Public Governance, Administration and Finances Law Review*
- *Southeastern Political Review*
- University of Alabama Press
- University of Kentucky Press

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Dart Container Corporation, Monroe, Georgia, June 1992-October 2019

Assistant General Counsel and Government Affairs Manager

- Environmental regulatory attorney, responsible for implementation, training, and legal advice concerning Title V permits under the Clean Air Act for a Fortune 400 privately held manufacturing company.
- Managed environmental litigation, reducing company exposure to legal liability.
- Chief lobbyist and government affairs expert.
- Testified before city councils and state legislatures in 24 Southern and Midwestern states to influence the legislative process.
- Trained corporate officers on the environmental effects of company products.
- Presented environmental information to customers to prevent product deselection.
- Wrote website copy and environmental literature for internal and external parties.
- Wrote technical reports on environmental sustainability and life-cycle management and presented the material at professional conferences.
- Managed contract lobbyists.
- Represented Dart on external committees and boards, including the Styrene Information & Research Center, the Plastics Industry Association, and the Keep Georgia Beautiful Foundation Board of Directors.

Southern States Energy Board, Norcross, Georgia, June 1988-February 1992

Assistant Director, Policy Analysis (June 1988-June 1991) and Director of Institutional Programs (June 1991-February 1992)

- Managed a team of three full-time employees and four law students to research energy and environmental laws and policies for a non-profit interstate compact agency.
- Expert in federal hazardous waste statutes and regulations.
- Liaison with external organizations, including the U.S. Department of Energy, the Western Interstate Energy Board, the Southern Legislative Conference, the Council of State Governments, and the National Conference of State Legislatures.

Nettles & Nettles, P.A., Florence, South Carolina, May 1987-June 1988
Attorney at Law

- Handled all phases of trial preparation in a three-person law firm.
- Represented individual and corporate clients in court.

MEMBERSHIPS:

- Georgia Bar Association (admitted 1987; inactive member after 2020)
- Court of Appeals of Georgia
- Supreme Court of Georgia
- United States District Court, Northern District of Georgia
- South Carolina Bar Association (admitted 1987; inactive member after 2020)
- United States District Court, District of South Carolina
- United States Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit
- United States Supreme Court

VOLUNTEER WORK:

Board Member, **Keep Georgia Beautiful Foundation Board of Directors**, Atlanta, Georgia,
March 1998-Present.

FORMAL EDUCATION:

The University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia
Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), Public Administration, May 2009

The Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia
Master of Science (M.S.), Public Policy, May 2002

Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia
Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), Political Science, December 1995

The University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia
Master of Public Administration (M.P.A.), August 1991

Emory University School of Law, Atlanta, Georgia
Juris Doctor (J.D.), May 1987

Furman University, Greenville, South Carolina
Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Political Science and Philosophy, June 1984