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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

<b>Princeton University</b> Associate Research Scholar (tenure track), Woodrow Wilson School	2016-Present
<b>The City College of New York—CUNY</b> Assistant Professor, Political Science	2011-2016
<b>Harvard University</b> Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Scholar in Health Policy Research	2013-2015
<b>Princeton University</b> Postdoctoral Research Associate, Department of Politics	2008-2010
<b>The Brookings Institution</b> Research Fellow in Governance Studies	2007-2008
[Parental leaves: 2015-16 and 2018-19]	

## EDUCATION

<b>Brandeis University</b> PhD, Politics	2010
<b>Stonehill College</b> Bachelor of Arts in Political Science <i>Magna cum Laude</i>	2003

## GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

Best paper award, Race and Ethnic Politics section of the American Political Science Association (for “Gender, Race, and Intersectionality in Campaign Finance” with Jacob M. Grumbach and Alexander Sahn)	2019
J. David Greenstone Award	2017
Co-winner, best book in the field of Politics and History in the previous two years; Awarded by the Politics and History section of the American Political Science Association	

Association (for *No Day in Court: Access to Justice and the Politics of Judicial Retrenchment*)

Scholar in Health Policy Research, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	2013-2015
PSC-CUNY Research Foundation Grant	2012-2013
Best paper award, Law & Courts section of the American Political Science Association (for “Institutions, Rulemaking, and the Politics of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure)	2010
Postdoctoral Research Associate, Department of Politics, Princeton University	2008-2010
Research Fellow in Governance Studies, The Brookings Institution	2007-2008
Gordon Public Policy Fellow, Brandeis University	2006-2007
Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Fellowship, Brandeis University	2003-2009
Brandeis Politics Department Summer Research Grant	2004/2005

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### ***Books***

*No Day in Court: Access to Justice and the Politics of Judicial Retrenchment* (Studies in Postwar American Political Development, Oxford University Press, 2015).

Co-winner, J. David Greenstone Award, APSA (2017)

Author Meets Critics, New England Political Science Association, April 2015

Review Essay, Samuel Bagenstos, “Who is Responsible for the Stealth Assault on Civil Rights: Review of *No Day in Court: Access to Justice and the Politics of Judicial Retrenchment*, by S. Staszak,” *Michigan Law Review* 114 (Spring 2016).

*Privatizing Justice: Arbitration and Litigation Reform in the U.S.* (under contract, University of Chicago Press).

### ***Articles***

“The Vanishing Trial in the U.S.” *Annual Review of Law and Social Science*, Vol. 18 (forthcoming 2022).

“Privatizing Employment Law: The Expansion of Mandatory Arbitration in the Workplace,” *Studies in American Political Development*, Vol. 34, Issue 2: 239-68 (2020)

“Gender, Race, and Intersectionality in Campaign Finance,” *Political Behavior* (June 2020), with Jacob M. Grumbach and Alexander Sahn.

“In the Shadow of Litigation: Arbitration and Medical Malpractice Reform” (*Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law*, Volume 44, Issue 2, April 2019).

“The Administrative Role of the Chief Justice: Law, Politics, and Procedure in the Roberts Court Era” (*Laws* 2018, 7(2), 15).

“The Politics of Procedural Change in the First Ten Years of the Roberts Court,” *Cardozo Law Review*, Vol. 38, No. 2 (December 2016).

“Realizing the Rights Revolution: Litigation and the Administrative State,” *Law & Social Inquiry* 38 (Winter 2013).

“Institutions, Rulemaking, and the Politics of Judicial Retrenchment,” *Studies in American Political Development* (October 2010).

### ***Book Chapters***

“Retrenching Access by Constraining Legal Aid,” in *The Rights Revolution Revisited*, Lynda Dodd, ed. (Cambridge University Press, 2018).

“Law and Courts” in Falleti, Fiorettes, and Sheingate, eds., *Handbook on Historical Institutionalism* (Oxford University Press, 2016).

### ***Book Reviews***

Sarah Staszak, “Private Power and Public Policy: Rights Enforcement in the Modern Litigation State,” 47 *Tulsa Law Review* 77, Summer 2011

### ***Working Papers and Ongoing Projects***

“The Effect of Retrenchment Threat on Lawsuit Claiming” (with Paul J. Gardner)

“Constitution as Clockwork: The Temporal Foundations of American Politics” (with Daniel Kryder)

“Enforcing *Olmstead*: Litigating the Rights of the Disabled.”

“Governing by Guidance: Informal Rulemaking and Policy Implementation.”

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **Princeton University**

2016-present

American Government (POL 220/WWS310); Law and Society (POL 318); Junior Workshops on Law and Public Policy (POL and WWS); The American State (AMS)

### **The City College of New York—CUNY**

2011-2016

Introduction to United States Government and Politics; The Judiciary; The American State;  
Civil Rights and Wrongs (freshman seminar)

## **Princeton University**

*Postdoctoral Research Associate, Politics*  
Courts and Public Policy in the U.S.; Law and Society

2009-2010

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

“Privatizing Worker Protections,” presented at the Toronto Political Development Workshop, University of Toronto, Oct. 3-5, 2019.

“Gender, Race, and Intersectionality in Campaign Finance” (with Jacob M. Grumbach and Alexander Sahn), presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., 2019.

“Privatizing (In)Justice: Arbitration and Litigation Reform in the U.S.”, presented at the Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, April 2019.

“The Effect of Retrenchment Threat on Lawsuit Claiming” (with Paul J. Gardner), presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, September 1-4, 2016

“The Shadow of Law: Arbitration and Medical Malpractice Reform” presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Juan, PR, January 2016.

“The Shadow of Law: Arbitration and Medical Malpractice Reform” presented at the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Scholars in Health Policy Research core seminar, April 30, 2015.

“Litigation, Arbitration, and the American State,” presented at the American Society for Legal History Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, November 6-7, 2014

“Enforcing *Olmstead*: Litigating the Rights of the Disabled,” presented at the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, IN, June 4-6, 2014

“The Conservative Legal Movement and Alternative Dispute Resolution,” presented at the Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, May 31-June 2, 2013

“Defunding the Left: Constraining Access by Constraining Legal Aid,” presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, September 1-4, 2011.

“The Ironies of Progressive Litigation Reform: The Conservative Legal Movement and Alternative Dispute Resolution,” presented at the Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, June 2-5, 2011.

“Constitution as Clockwork: The Temporal Foundations of American Politics” with Daniel Kryder, presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, April 2010.

“Institutions, Rulemaking, and the Politics of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure,” presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Toronto, September 3-5, 2009.

“The Politics of Judicial Retrenchment in the United States” presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, August 30-September 2, 2007.

“Challenges to Judicialization in Public Policy,” presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, August 30-September 2, 2007.

“The Politics of Judicial Retrenchment,” presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, April 12-15, 2007 and the New England Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, April 27-28, 2007 (nominated for Best Student Paper Award).

“Constitution as Clockwork: The Temporal Foundations of American Politics,” (with Daniel Kryder) presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, August 31-September 3, 2006 and the Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, March 8-10, 2007.

“Social Rights and Constitutional Structure: Integrating the ‘Constitution in Exile’ with Social Justice?” presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, September 1-4, 2005.

“The Supreme Court and Elite Opinion: Legal Intellectuals and Civil Rights, 1930-1970,” presented at the New England Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Portland, April 29-30, 2005.

## **INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

“Privatizing Employment Law,” presented at the Program in Law and Public Affairs workshop on “Law and Work,” April 2019.

“No Day in Court: Access to Justice and the Politics of Judicial Retrenchment,” presented at the Northwestern University Department of Political Science, December 2017.

“The Administrative Role of the Chief Justice,” presented at Cardozo Law School symposium on the First Ten Years of the Roberts Court, October 15, 2015.

Author Meets Critics, *No Day in Court: The Politics of Judicial Retrenchment*, New England Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 24-25, 2015.

“No Day in Court: Access to Justice and the Politics of Judicial Retrenchment,” presented at Princeton University, Bouton Law Lecture, Faculty Colloquium in Public Law, February 12, 2015.

“The Ironies of Progressive Litigation Reform: The Conservative Legal Movement and Alternative Dispute Resolution,” presented at the City College Workshop: The Rights Revolution Revisited: Political Science Perspectives on the Role of Private Enforcement of Civil Rights in the U.S., April 27, 2012.

“Invisible Constitutions and the Administrative Procedure Act,” presented at the Constitutional Law Advanced Workshop, Princeton University, December 3-4, 2010.

Invited Discussant, Law and Public Affairs Program, Princeton University (for R. Shep Melnick, "The Supreme Court and the Civil Rights State")

"The Politics of Judicial Retrenchment," presented to the Constitutional Law Advanced Workshop, Princeton University, December 11-12, 2009.

## **SERVICE**

Executive Council, Politics and History Section, American Political Science Association	2018-Present
Senior Thesis/Junior Paper Advisor, POL/WWS	2016-Present
Executive Board New England Political Science Association	2014-2017
Conference Program Committee American Society for Legal History Annual Meeting	2014
Section Chair, Public Law New England Political Science Association	2013
Nominations Committee, Law and Courts American Political Science Association	2013
Chair, Pi Sigma Alpha, CCNY Chapter	Fall 2012- Present
Comparative Politics Search Committee	Fall 2012
Senior Thesis Advisor (CCNY)	2011-2013
General Studies Assessment Committee, CCNY	January 2012
CCNY Faculty Senate	2011-2013
Assessment Committee, Political Science, CCNY	Fall 2011
Campus Executive Committee, Skadden Honors Program in Legal Studies, CCNY	2010-11

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Political Science Association  
American Society for Legal History  
Law and Society Association