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Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Theological Studies (Historical Theology), Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, 2018
Dissertation: Law and Puritanism: The Reflection of Puritan Theology in the Laws of the Colonies of Connecticut and New Haven, 1638-1689
Committee: Dr. Douglas A. Sweeney, Dr. Scott M. Manetsch, Dr. Kenneth P. Minkema (Yale Divinity School), Dr. Richard Averbeck (Program Director)
Program Fellow; Hansen Fellow

J.D., with high honors, University of Florida, Levin College of Law, 1999
Florida Law Review, Editor-in-Chief
Order of the Coif
Class Rank: 5/212

M.A., Theological Studies, with honors, Reformed Theological Seminary—Orlando, 2010

B.S., Psychology, with honors, University of Florida, 1993
Phi Beta Kappa

ACADEMIC ADMINISTRATION

2018–Present Director of Masters Programs. Trinity Evangelical Divinity School.
Administrative oversight of the Master of Divinity, Master of Arts (Academic Disciplines), and Master of Theology programs at an ATS accredited seminary.
Duties include program assessment, and student advising.
Oversight of online course scheduling and adjunct professors.
Masters Program Committee, Masters Exception Committee
ATS Accreditation, Steering committee member.
ATS Accreditation, Subcommittee chair.
TIU Program Review Task Force, committee member.

2016–2018 Coordinator of Digital Program Development. Trinity International University.
Responsibilities include faculty recruiting and support, online course development, and student advising

- 2013–2016 TEDS Online Academic Coordinator. Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. Participated in team effort to launch new platform for online courses and develop all new courses. Additionally, responsible for faculty recruitment, contracting, student advising, and support for online course development
- 2012–2013 Academic Doctoral Office Assistant. Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. Provided student advising, administrative support to directors of three academic doctoral programs, maintained database of students and alumni.

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2018–2019 Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. Adjunct Professor.
Biblical Theology and Church History
- 2013–2014 Knox Theological Seminary, Knox Online. Adjunct Online Professor.
- 2012–2014 Trinity International University. Adjunct Lecturer.
Trinity College English Department
REACH Adult Undergraduate Program

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

- 2005–2010 Attorney/Partner. Savage Krim & Simons Law Offices. Ocala, Florida. Administrative and financial management for a law firm of three lawyers and five support staff. Represented clients in the areas of business law, health care law, real estate law, estate planning and probate law. Recruited and supervised student law clerks.
- 2001-2004 Attorney/Associate. Savage Krim Law Firm, Ocala, Florida. Represented clients in the areas of business law, health care law, real estate law, estate planning and probate law. Supervised employees. Recruited and supervised student law clerks.
- 1999–2001 Attorney/Associate. Parker Hudson Rainer & Dobbs, LLP. Atlanta, Georgia. Represented financial institutions and corporate clients in the areas of banking litigation, securities arbitration, and commercial litigation.

PUBLICATIONS

Manuscripts in Preparation

“Godly Lawmaking in the Colonies of Connecticut and New Haven, 1638-1665.”

“The New Haven Code: Written Law in a Bible Commonwealth.”

“Taming Unruly Affections: A Puritan Perspective on Genesis 1-3.”

Other Publications

2013 “Good News Bible” in *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*, ed. Hans-Josef Klauck, et al. Berlin: de Gruyter. 2009-2012.

Book Reviews

2019 Robert W. Caldwell, III. *Theologies of the American Revivalists From Whitefield to Finney*. IVP Academic, 2017. 39 *Trin. J.* 102-04 (2019)

2018 Chad B. Van Dixhoorn. *God's Ambassadors: The Westminster Assembly and the Reformation of the English Pulpit, 1643-1653*. Reformation Heritage, 2017. 39 *Trin. J.* 256-58 (2018)

2016 William Perkins. J. Stephen Yuille, ed. *The Works of William Perkins: Vol. 1*. Reformation Heritage, 2014. 37 *Trin. J.* 286-88 (2016)

Legal Publications

1998 Note: Is the Doctrine of Necessaries Necessary in Florida?: Should the Legislature Accept the Challenge of *Connor v. Southwest Regional Medical Center?*, 50 Fla. L. Rev. 933 (1998).

1997 Case Comment: Changing Assumptions: Disentangling Title I Remedial Education at Parochial Schools, *Agostini v. Felton*, 117 S. Ct. 1997 (1997), 49 Fla. L. Rev. 651 (1997).

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS (SELECTED)

2017 Meeter Center Student Research Fellowship. H. Henry Meeter Center. Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

2016 Hayek Fund for Scholars Travel Grant. Institute for Humane Studies.

2016 Klauber Conference Fellowship. Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Church History Department.

2012–2014 G. Walter Hansen Fellowship. Carl F. H. Henry Center for Theological Understanding. Trinity Evangelical Divinity School.

2010-2012 Program Fellowship, Theological Studies. Trinity Evangelical Divinity School.

1998 Gertrude Brick Law Review Apprentice Prize. Florida Law Review. University of Florida, Levin College of Law.

1997 George W. Milam Outstanding Case Comment Award. Florida Law Review. University of Florida, Levin College of Law.

INVITED TALKS

- 2017 “The Puritan Vision for Church and Commonwealth in Connecticut and New Haven (1638-1665).” H. Henry Meeter Center. Calvin College. June 29, 2017.
- 2014 “Fostering Critical Thinking in Adult Students.” Faculty Development Workshop. REACH Adult Undergraduate Program. Trinity International University. October 25, 2014.

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Papers Presented

- 2018 “Witchcraft Accusations in Early New England: A Comparative Approach” Evangelical Theological Society Annual Meeting. Denver. November 13-15.
- 2017 “Godly Lawmaking in the Colonies of Connecticut and New Haven, 1638-1665.” Evangelical Theological Society Annual Meeting. Providence. November 15-17.
- 2016 “Divorce and Remarriage: Theology and Practice in Connecticut and New Haven, 1638-1665.” Conference on Faith and History Biennial Meeting. Virginia Beach. October 20-22.
- 2015 “Family, Theology, & Law: The Magistrates of New Haven and the Protection of Marriage and Family.” Evangelical Theological Society Annual Meeting. Atlanta. November 17-19.
- 2014 “Godly Magistrates: The Theological Self-Understanding of Civil Rulers in the Colony of New Haven.” Conference on Faith and History Biennial Meeting. Malibu. September 25-27.
- 2013 “‘Unruly Affections:’ Thomas Hooker on the Effects of Original Sin.” Evangelical Theological Society Annual Meeting. Baltimore. November 19-21.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Knox Theological Seminary, Knox Online

History of Christianity 1: Ancient and Medieval Church (Spring 2013)

History of Christianity 2: Reformation to Modern Era (Fall 2013, Spring 2014)

Trinity International University

Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, TEDS Online:
Biblical Theology & Interpretation (Spring 2019)

Trinity College:
Critical Thinking and Writing (Fall 2013)

REACH Adult Undergraduate Program:
Business and Professional Communication (Spring 2013)
Critical Thinking and Writing (Fall 2011, Spring 2012, Fall 2012, Spring 2013)
American Government (Spring 2011, Spring 2012)

University of Florida, Levin College of Law

Teaching Fellow, Appellate Advocacy. (Spring 1998)
Teaching Fellow, Legal Research & Writing. (Fall 1997)

CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT

Knox Theological Seminary

History of Christianity 2: Reformation to Modern Era. Online Course Development.

ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

2011–Present American Society of Church History.
2015–Present American Historical Association.
2017–Present American Society of Legal History.
2010–Present Conference on Faith and History.
2012–Present Evangelical Theological Society.

LEGAL AFFILIATIONS

2000–Present Florida Bar Association.
1999–Present State Bar of Georgia.
2001–2010 Marion County (Florida) Bar Association.
2005–2007 D.R. Smith Inn of Court. Ocala, Florida.

ACADEMIC REFERENCES

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