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Curriculum Vitae

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Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

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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

ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

2021–Present Associate Dean; Director of the Master of Divinity Program; Assistant Professor of Church History (Undergraduate).

Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

2020–2021 Assistant Dean; Director of the Master of Divinity Program; Assistant Professor of Church History (Undergraduate).

Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

2018–2020 Director of Master’s Programs.

Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

2016–2018 Coordinator of Digital Program Development.

Trinity International University

2013–2016 TEDS Online Academic Coordinator.

Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

2012–2013 Academic Doctoral Office Assistant.
Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2020–present Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. Assistant Professor of Church History (Undergraduate).

2018–2020 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.

2001–2004 Attorney/Associate. Savage Krim Law Firm, Ocala, Florida.

1999–2001 Attorney/Associate. Parker Hudson Rainer & Dobbs, LLP. Atlanta, Georgia.

PUBLICATIONS

Book Reviews

2020 Steven K. Green. *Inventing a Christian America: The Myth of the Religious Founding*. Oxford University Press, 2015. 35 *J. Law and Religion* 186-91 (2020)

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.

ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

American Society of Church History.
Conference on Faith and History.
Evangelical Theological Society.
Huntington Library, Pasadena, California, Reader.

LEGAL AFFILIATIONS

Florida Bar Association.
State Bar of Georgia.
Marion County (Florida) Bar Association.
D.R. Smith Inn of Court. Ocala, Florida.