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## **EDUCATION**

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Rutgers University, History Ph.D., 2010-2016  
College of William and Mary, History M.A., 2008  
College of William and Mary, History B.A., 2004

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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### **Books**

The Dead Pledge: The Origins of the Mortgage Market and Federal Bailouts, 1913-1939  
(Columbia University Press, 2021)

### **Peer-Reviewed Articles**

“The Novice Administrative State: The Function of Regulatory Commissions in the Progressive Era,” *Studies in American Political Development* 37, no. 1 (April 2023): 41-55.

“The New History of Capitalism and the Methodologies of Economic History,” with Vincent Geloso, in *Essays in Economic and Business History* 39, no. 1 (2021): 206-221.

“The Economy Since 1970,” *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of American History* (August 2020)

“The Politics of Disabled Supreme Court Justices,” *Journal of Supreme Court History* 45, no. 2 (July 2020): 151-166.

“Unpacking the Supreme Court: Judicial Retirement, Judicial Independence, and the Road to the 1937 Court Battle,” *Journal of American History* 106, no. 1 (June 2019): 47-71.

“The ‘Riefler-Keynes Doctrine’ and Federal Reserve Policy in the Great Depression,” *History of Political Economy* 51, no. 2 (April 2019): 297-327.

“The Rise and Fall of the First Government-Sponsored Enterprise: The Federal Land Banks, 1916-1932,” *Business History Review* 90, no. 4 (Winter 2016): 623-645.

“How the Federal Housing Administration Tried to Save America’s Cities, 1934-1960,” *Journal of Policy History* 28, no. 2 (April 2016): 290-317.

“The Missing Monetary Transmission Mechanism” (Under Review)

### **Law Review Articles**

“The Forgotten Visitorial Power: The Origins of Administrative Subpoenas and Modern Regulation,” *Review of Banking and Financial Law* 37, no. 1 (Fall 2017): 205-265.

“Netting Out Taxes and Transfers,” *Tax Notes* 154, no. 8 (February 2017): 1017-1020.

### **Book Chapters**

“Structured Writing Assignments in an American Economic History Course,” with Joshua Hall and Marcus Witcher, in *Teaching Economics: Perspectives in Innovative Economics Education*, eds. Joshua Hall and Kerianne Lawson (Chicago: Springer, 2019), 155-161

### **Book Reviews**

Review: Christopher Shaw, *Money, Power, and People: The American Struggle to Make Banking Democratic*, in *Business History Review* 94, no. 4 (Winter 2021): 880-882.

Review: Mary Eschelbach Hansen and Bradley A. Hansen, *Bankrupt in America: A History of Debtors, Their Creditors, and the Law in the Twentieth Century*, in *Essays in Economic and Business History* 39, no. 1 (2021): 242-243.

Review: “The Soul of Antitrust,” on Eric Posner, *How Antitrust Failed Workers*, in *Law & Liberty* (December 6, 2021)

Review: Eric Lomazoff, *Reconstructing the National Bank Controversy*, in *Business History Review* 93, no. 4 (Winter 2019): 829-831.

Review: E. Michael Rosser and Diane M. Sanders, *A History of Mortgage Banking in the West: Financing America’s Dreams*, in *Journal of Arizona History* 54, no 2 (Autumn 2018): 421-423.

Review: “True Manipulators of the Fed Are on Capitol Hill,” on Sarah Binder and Mark Spindel, *The Myth of Independence: How Congress Governs the Federal Reserve*, in *Law & Liberty* (February 19, 2018)

Review: Brett Christophers, *The Great Leveler: Capitalism and Competition in the Court of Law*, in *Law and History Review* 35, no. 3 (August 2017): 835-837.

Review: Ray E. Boomhower, John Bartlow Martin: A Voice for the Underdog, in Michigan Historical Review 42, no. 1 (Spring 2016): 97-98.

Review: Matthew Gordon Lasner, High Life: Condo Living in the Suburban Century, in Planning Perspectives 29, no. 2 (2014): 262-264.

### **Selected Public Writing and Media Appearances**

“The Origins of the Novice Administrative State,” Regulation Magazine, Spring 2023

“The Regulatory Labyrinth,” City Journal, Special Issue, 2023

“The Fed Goes Underwater,” City Journal, Winter 2022

“Judge Glock on Zoning and Local Government,” Econtalk, Podcast Interview, December 26, 2022

“Two Cheers for Zoning,” American Affairs, Winter 2022

“‘Housing First’ Foments Homelessness in California,” with Joe Lonsdale, Wall Street Journal, November 18, 2022

“The Biggest Bank in the World,” Wall Street Journal, August 4, 2022

“Subsidizing Addiction,” City Journal, Summer 2022

“A Pandemic of Planning,” Regulation Magazine, Summer 2022

“Special Districts are Kingdoms of Unaccountable Power,” Wall Street Journal, April 26, 2022

“Empire of Fees,” City Journal, Spring 2022

“Sprawl is Still the Future: And Fighting It Won’t Stop Emissions,” The Breakthrough Journal, Spring 2022

“Inflation Drives Wages Down, Not Up,” Wall Street Journal, February 1, 2022

“Removal of Mass. And Cass Encampment Long Overdue,” Commonwealth Magazine, December 16, 2021, with Charles Chieppo

“Sprawl is Good: The Environmental Case for Suburbia,” The Breakthrough Journal, Winter 2021

“A Benefit, Not a Burden,” City Journal, Fall 2021

“The Mismeasurement of Polarization,” National Affairs, Fall 2021 (interviewed on Salem Center for Policy Podcast, discussed by Matthew Yglesias, David Shor, and others)

“Doing Business, Indeed,” City Journal, November 5, 2021

“Keeping Mobile Homes Out of Reach,” City Journal, September 14, 2021

“Towns and Cities Should Use Their Stimulus Windfalls to Cut Taxes,” Wall Street Journal, September 14, 2021

“An Advocacy Group Spins Diversity as Evidence of ‘Segregation,’” Wall Street Journal, June 29, 2021 (Interviewed on Radio Free California Podcast)

“Texas’s Camping Bans Will Help the Homeless,” City Journal, June 21, 2021

“Judge Glock on the Origins of the U.S. Mortgage Market and its Evolution to the Present Day,” Macro Musings, Podcast Interview, May 9, 2021

“Semiconductors Don’t Need Subsidies,” City Journal, April 21, 2021

“Industrial Policy Hurts Industry,” Washington Examiner, April 20, 2021

“Can American Cities Manufacture Again?” City Journal, Winter 2020 (Interviewed on Made in America radio show)

“Indiscriminate Stimulus in a Pandemic is Absurd,” National Review Online, December 6, 2020 (cited in The Week)

“Albert Venn Dicey and the Immunity of the Administrative State,” Online Library of Law and Liberty, Lead Article, Liberty Matters, December 2020

“Thanksgiving is a Celebration of Freedom,” New York Times, November 26, 2020 (interviewed on Al-Jazeera International)

“Why Two Decades of Pandemic Planning Failed,” Cicero News – Medium, April 9, 2020 (cited in New York Magazine, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, Marginal Revolution, and elsewhere)

“Judge Glock on the Riefler-Keynes Doctrine and Monetary Policy During the Great Depression,” Macro Musings, Podcast Interview, September 2, 2019

“The Lost History of FDR’s Court-Packing Scandal,” Politico Magazine, February 24, 2019 (interviewed on National Public Radio’s “All Things Considered,” cited by New York Times, ABCNews.com, MSNBC.com, Harper’s Bazaar, and others)

“Why Protectionism Soaks American Consumers Twice,” Washington Post, Made by History Blog, August 3, 2018

“A New Role: The Retired Justice,” Chicago Tribune, February 8, 2017

“The Roots of Government Meddling in Mortgages,” Wall Street Journal, November 4, 2014

## **FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS**

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Fred Bateman Award, Best Paper at Economic and Business History Society Conference, 2019

Honors Faculty Fellowship, Honors College Foundation, West Virginia University, 2018

Law and Capitalism Conference Grant, American Bar Foundation, 2016

Franklin Delano Roosevelt Presidential Library Research Grant, Roosevelt Institute, 2016

Mellon Foundation Dissertation Writing Fellowship, Rutgers University School of Arts and Sciences, 2015

Miller Center National Fellowship, Miller Center for Public Affairs, University of Virginia, 2014

Mellon Foundation Dissertation Writing Fellowship, Rutgers University School of Arts and Sciences, 2014 (declined)

Economic History Association Graduate Student Grant, Economic History Association, 2014

Herbert Hoover Presidential Library Travel Grant, Hoover Presidential Association, 2014

Alfred D. Chandler Jr. Graduate Student Grant, Business History Conference, 2013

Mellon Foundation Summer Fellowship Grant, Rutgers University School of Arts and Sciences, 2013

Honorable Mention, Kerr Prize, Best First Paper at Business History Conference, 2012

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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Visiting Professor, College of Business and Economics, West Virginia University, 2016-2018

Courses: "American Economic History," "Survey of Economics,"  
"History of Economic Thought," "Banks and Politics in America (Honors  
College)"

Teaching Assistant, Rutgers University History Department, New Brunswick, New Jersey, 2012-2013

Courses: "History of Technology and Society," "United States Development I,"  
"American Presidency"

Teacher, Suzhou Experimental Elementary School, Jiangsu, China, Grades 3-8, 2005-2006

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

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Director of Research and Senior Fellow, The Manhattan Institute, 2022-Present

Director of Policy and Research, The Cicero Institute, 2020-2022

Senior Policy Advisor, The Cicero Institute, 2019-2020

Research Assistant, National Bureau of Economic Research Study on Bank Regulation and Supervision, 2013-2014

Graduate Assistant, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers History Center, New Brunswick, New Jersey, 2011-2012

Research Associate for Native American and Environmental History, Morgan, Angel & Associates, Washington D.C., 2008-2010

Architectural Assistant, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, Architectural Research Division, Williamsburg, VA, 2007-2008

Information Analyst, Pennsylvania Real Estate Investment Trust, Philadelphia, PA, 2004-2005

## **SELECTED CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

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### **Paper Presentations**

“The Lost Debate on Stock Watering,” Policy History Conference, Phoenix, Arizona, June 2022

“Interchanging Parts: Productive Railroad Cooperation in the Late 19<sup>th</sup> and Early 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries,” Southern Economic Conference, Houston, Texas, November 2021

“The Novice Administrative State: The Function of Independent Commissions in the Progressive Era,” Economic and Business History Society, Detroit, Michigan, June 2019

“The Missing Monetary Transmission Mechanism,” Southern Economic Conference, Washington D.C., November 2018

“Visitorial Powers, Administrative Subpoenas, and the Rise of the Regulatory State,” American Society for Legal History Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, October 2017

“The Missing Monetary Transmission Mechanism,” Economic and Business History Society Conference, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, May 2017

“Keynesian Housing Policy in the 1937 Recession,” Business History Conference, Denver, Colorado, March 2017

- “Unpacking the Supreme Court: Judicial Retirement and the Road to the 1937 Court Battle,” Legal History Workshop, University at Buffalo Law School, March 2017
- “Visitorial Powers, Administrative Subpoenas, and the Rise of the Regulatory State,” Histories of Capitalism Conference, Cornell University, October 2016
- “Visitorial Powers, Administrative Subpoenas, and the Rise of the Regulatory State,” Law and Capitalism Conference, American Bar Foundation, Chicago, Illinois, June 2016
- “Keynesian Housing Policy in the 1937 Recession,” Policy History Conference, Nashville, Tennessee, June 2016
- “The ‘Riefler-Keynes’ Doctrine and the Federal Reserve in the Great Depression,” Economic and Business History Society Conference, Montreal, Quebec, May 2016
- “Economic Balance in the Thought of New Deal Economists,” History of Economics Conference, Lansing, Michigan, June 2015
- “The End of the First Government-Sponsored Enterprise,” Business History Seminar, Darden School of Business, University of Virginia, January 2015
- “The End of the First Government-Sponsored Enterprise,” Poster Session, Economic History Association Conference, Columbus, Ohio, September 2014
- “Urban Politics and the Federal Housing Administration,” Policy History Conference, Columbus, Ohio, May 2014
- “The Long-Term Interest Rate, John Maynard Keynes, and the Creation of U.S. Housing Policy,” Business History Conference, Frankfurt, Germany, March 2014
- “The End of the First Government-Sponsored Enterprise,” Monetary and Financial History Seminar, Rutgers University Economics Department, February 2014
- “The Federal Housing Administration: Did It Really Favor the Suburbs?” Social Science History Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois, November 2013
- “The Federal Housing Administration: Did It Really Favor the Suburbs?” Society for American City and Regional Planning History Conference, Toronto, Ontario, October 2013
- “The Rise and Fall of the Federal Farm Loan Banks, 1916-1933,” Law & Society Annual Meeting, Boston, Massachusetts, June 2013
- “The Federal Housing Administration: Did It Really Favor the Suburbs?” Business History Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, March 2012
- “The Rise of Richmond and the Fall of Electric Transit,” Warren I. Susman Conference, Rutgers, University, April 2011

## **Panels Organized**

“Law, Credit, and the Political Economy of Rural Decline,” Law & Society Annual Meeting, Boston, Massachusetts, June 2014

“Re-Evaluating the Place of the Federal Housing Administration in American History,” Policy History Conference, Columbus, Ohio, May 2014

“The Role of Expertise in Policy-Making in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century United States,” Economic and Business History Conference, Baltimore, Maryland, May 2013

## **Panel Commentator**

Commentator, “Housing Policy and Mortgage Lending,” Panel at the Policy History Conference, Phoenix, Arizona, June 2022

Commentator, “Mortgage Lending, Race, and Class,” Panel at Business History Conference, Baltimore, Maryland, April 2018

Commentator, “Henry Thornton and the Banking School Tradition,” Panel at the History of Economics Conference, Lansing, Michigan, June 2015

Commentator, “The Consumer’s Revolution: Mutiny, Vice, and Education,” Panel at Warren I. Susman Conference, Rutgers University, March 2012

## **UNIVERSITY SERVICES**

Member, Undergraduate Studies Committee, Department of Economics, West Virginia University, 2017-2018

Treasurer and Fundraiser, Interpreting American History Speaker Series at Rutgers University, 2010-2013

## **JOURNAL REVIEWER**

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Information & Culture: A Journal of History

Inquiry

Journal of Policy History

SAGE Open

Urban Geography



## **OTHER ASSOCIATIONS**

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Contributing Editor, City Journal

Senior Fellow, The Breakthrough Institute

Senior Fellow, The Cicero Institute