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### EDUCATION

J.D., *Chicago-Kent College of Law, Illinois Institute of Technology* (2011).

Study Abroad, France (Montpelier and Paris), Levin College of Law, University of Florida (Summer 2010)

Ph.D., *Political Science, University of Kentucky* (2010)

Major: American (Judicial Politics and Public Law); Minor: Methods

Dissertation: *Law & Ideology in the U.S. Courts of Appeals: Review of Federal Agency Decisions*

M.P.A., *Public Administration, University of South Carolina* (1994)

B.A., *History, Coker College* (1991)

### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

*University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, Oshkosh, WI*

*Associate Professor, Political Science* (2018–present), *Assistant Professor, Political Science* (2011–2018)

Taught undergraduate courses in constitutional law, American government and politics, judicial process, environmental politics, administrative law, and environmental politics, public policy, and queer politics and policy.

*Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, KY*

*Visiting Assistant Professor of Government* (2004–2008).

Taught graduate and undergraduate classes in judicial process, queer theory and politics, American government and politics, administrative law, and public policy.

### ARTICLES

Thomas, Queer J. 2018. “Fagchild Tools: Softening the Body Politic and Sexualizing Paul Ryan in a Pussy-grabbing Era.” *Politics & Gender* 14(4).

Thomas, Queer J. 2017. “Constructing Queer Theory in Political Science and Public Law: Sexual Citizenship, Outspeech, and Queer Narrative.” *New Political Science* 39(4):568-87.

Thomas, Jerry D. 2017. “Vulnerable White Men and Sexual Citizenship: Charles Ray Sculptures.” *Masculinities: A Journal of Identity and Culture* 7 (Feb.). 71-93.

Thomas, Jerry D. 2017. “Queer Sensibilities: Notes on Method.” *Politics, Groups, and Identities* 5(1):172-81.

Thomas, Jerry (with Joseph Gershtenson, Dennis L. Plane, and Joshua M. Scacco). 2013.

“Registering to Vote Is Easy, Right? Active Learning and Attitudes about Voter Registration.” *Journal of Political Science Education* 9(4):379-402.

Thomas, Jerry (with Ellen D. B. Riggle and Sharon Rostosky). 2005. “The Marriage Debate and Minority Stress,” *PS: Political Science and Politics*, 35(2): 221-24.

### BOOK CHAPTERS

Thomas, Queer. J. 2020 (forthcoming). “Outspeech and Neoliberalism in the U.S.” in *Civil Liberties in Real Life*, Tim Schiel (ed.). London: Cambridge Scholars Publishing.

Thomas, Queer J. 2020. “Queer Theory” in *LGBT Americans in the Political System: An Encyclopedia of Activists, Voters, Candidates, and Officeholders*. Jason Pierceson (ed). Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO. pp. 346-348.

Thomas, Queer J. 2019. “Fuck-scripting: Becoming-Queer in Interior. Leather Bar.” in *Queer Adaptation*. Pamela Demory (ed). Palgrave.

Thomas, Jerry. 2017. "Queer Sensibilities and Other Fagchild Tools" in *LGBTQ Politics: A Critical Reader*, M. Brettschneider, S. Burgess, and C. Keating (eds.). New York: NYU Press.

#### REVIEW ESSAYS

Thomas, Jerry. 2016. "Queer Theory's Utility: Review of Christopher Schmidt's Poetics of Waste," *Writing from Below* 3(2) at [www.lib.latrobe.edu.au/ojs/index.php/wfb/article/view/771/html\\_24](http://www.lib.latrobe.edu.au/ojs/index.php/wfb/article/view/771/html_24).

#### BOOK REVIEWS

Panfil, Vanessa R., *The Gang's All Queer: The Lives of Gay Gang Members* (2017) in *Politics & Gender* 14(4): (2018).

Ryan C. Black and Ryan J. Owens, *The Solicitor General and the United States Supreme Court: Executive Branch Influence and Judicial Decisions* (2012) in *American Review of Politics* 34 (Fall/Winter): 356–359 (2013).

Josh Sides, *Erotic City: Sexual Revolutions and the Making of Modern San Francisco* (2009) in *H-Net (Humanities and Social Sciences Online)* (fall 2012)

David W. Patton, Stephanie L. Witt, Nicholas P. Lovrich, and Patricia J. Frederickson, *Human Resource Management: The Public Service Perspective* (2002) in *Review of Public Personnel Administration* 25(2): 196-98. (June 2005).

#### PROFESSIONAL MEETING PARTICIPATION

*LGBTQ Politics and the First Amendment*. 2019. Center for the Study of Institutions and Innovation Civil Liberties Symposium. UW Stout. Menominee, WI.

*The Constitution and a Cross: Debating the First Amendment Case of American Legion v. American Humanist Association* (panelist). 2019. UW Eau Claire, Eau Claire, WI.

*LGBTQ Politics in the Trump Era* (roundtable participant). 2018. Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

*LGBTQ Politics in the States* (panel chair and discussant). 2018. Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

*Vulnerable White Men and Sexual Citizenship: Charles Ray Sculptures*. 2017. Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA.

*Outspeech Jurisprudence in the U.S.* 2016. International Network for Sexual Ethics and Politics, Differdange, Luxembourg.

*Queer Sensibilities and Other Fagchild Tools*. 2015. American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA.

*Pragmatic Queerism, First Amendment, and Sexual Citizenship*. 2015. Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

*Nearly-Just Societies and Public Sexuality*. 2014. Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA.

*Judicial Review of Agency Decisions in the U.S. Courts of Appeals: Obsequious Deference, Intense Scrutiny, and Ideological Preference*. 2013. Western Political Science Association, Los Angeles, CA

*Queer Publics and Citizenship*. 2012. Power, Politics & Performance in Women's Studies and LGBTQ Studies, Oshkosh, WI.

*Legal Theories of Sexual Citizenship*. 2010. IIT Conference on Women and Gender, Chicago, IL. U.S. Courts of Appeals' Reviews of Agency Decisions: Law or Politics? 2008. Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

*Marriage Ban Amendments and GLB Well-Being: The 2006 Election*. 2007. American Political Science Association (APSA), Chicago, IL (with E. Riggle).

*Paradox of Court-Agency Relationships: U.S. Courts of Appeals Review of Agency Decisions, 1982–1996*. 2006. South Eastern Conference for Public Administration (SECoPA), Athens, GA.

*Judicial Confidence and Court Legitimacy through the Lenses of Sexual Minorities in the U.S.* 2006. Kentucky Political Science Association, Richmond, KY.

#### **OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

*Chicago-Kent College of Law, Chicago, IL* (2008–11)

*Judicial Extern*, Hon. Rebecca Pallmeyer, U.S. District Court, Northern Dist. of Illinois (2010); *Executive Articles Editor*, Chicago-Kent Law Review (2010–11); *Teaching Assistant* (Contracts, Felice Batlan, 2010), (Legislative Process, Carolyn Shapiro, 2011); *Research Assistant*, Professor Carolyn Shapiro (2008–09); *Research Associate*, LexisNexis (2009–11)

*Palmetto GBA, Columbia, SC, Training Manager* (1999–2003). Palmetto GBA is a fiscal intermediary and carrier for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). Member of business acquisitions team, responsible for labor market analysis, recruiting strategies, training and retention programs, employee performance evaluation, quality assurance, and site selection.

*Office of the Governor, State of South Carolina, Columbia, SC, Director, EXCEL Leadership Institute and Director, Staff Development & Training* (1996–1998). Developed and directed a year-long leadership program for mid-level managers in cabinet agencies in South Carolina. Managed human resources development in the Governor's Office.

*Budget and Control Board, State of South Carolina, Columbia, SC. Assistant Director, South Carolina Executive Institute* (1993–1996). The Executive Institute is a yearlong education program for senior public officials in South Carolina. Contracted and collaborated with public administration faculty to develop curriculum. Developed case-teaching and case-writing workshops for public administrators and academics.

*S.C. Department of Health & Environmental Control, Columbia, SC, Research Assistant, Center for Health Promotion* (1992–1993). Researched, wrote report on effects of cigarette smoking ("Smoking in South Carolina: 1990").

#### **GRANTS** (select)

*ArtsCore* (\$2,000), University of Wisconsin Oshkosh through Cargill Foundation (2016-17). Funding to incorporate arts into environmental politics and sustainability pedagogy.

*Faculty Development Grant* (\$9,000), University of Wisconsin Oshkosh (2015). Funding to examine queer sexual citizenship in the U.S. Courts of Appeals

*Gateway Course Success Initiative Grant* (\$5,000), University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, College of Letters & Science (2013–14). Funding for collaboration with Writing Center to develop to improve performance and retention among minority students in political science.

*Faculty Development Grant* (\$9,600), University of Wisconsin Oshkosh (2012). Funding to develop two interdisciplinary courses in Environmental Studies.

#### **UNIVERSITY SERVICE** (select)

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Advisory Council, UWO (2019–present)

College Republicans Advisor (UWO) (2019–present)

Student Pre-Law Society Advisor (UWO) (2012–present)

Inclusive Excellence Council (UWO) (2013–2018)

LGBTQ Education & Advocacy Council (UWO) (2012–2018)

Campus Sustainability Council (UWO) (2011–2014)

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS & SERVICE**

Reviewer for *Public Administration Review*, *American Review of Politics*, *Law & Policy Journal*, and *Politics, Groups and Identities*

**HONORS & AWARDS**

Willard Smith Teaching Award (UWO Political Science) (2012, 2013, 2015, 2016, 2017)

Diversity Leadership Award, College of Letters and Science (UWO) (2015)

Outstanding Queer Faculty Award (UWO) (2014)

*Order of the Coif* (2011)

Chicago-Kent Achievement Scholarship (2008–2010)

Chicago-Kent Alumni Board of Directors Scholarship (2009)

Vagina Warrior, Eastern Kentucky University (for contributions to feminism in teaching) (2008)

Susanne G. Linville Scholarship (academic) (1988–1991)

William Chambers Coker Scholarship (academic) (1987–1988)