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ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

Saint Joseph's University, Philadelphia, PA

Dirk Warren '50 Sesquicentennial Research Chair in Education and Social Sciences, August 2021-2023

Professor of Political Science, August 2021

Associate Professor of Political Science, April 2014

Assistant Professor of Political Science, August 2003 – March 2014 (tenured 2009)

Pre-Law Advisor, June 2014 – June 2021

- Advised over 700 students and alumni contemplating or applying to law school
 - Guided students to courses to build skills and content knowledge
 - Encouraged internships through advising and networking with alumni
 - Designed and implemented drafting program to obtain quality essays
 - Constructively collaborated with Career Development pre-law adviser to provide best possible advising for students including new orientations, specialized programming for under-represented students, outreach to students in all colleges, pre-law club, first SJU pre-law website.
- Co-founded and co-directed Legal Exploration Advancing Diversity (LEAD), 2019-2021
 - Collaborated with Ms. Christine Falcone (CDC) and Ms. Natalie Walker-Brown (OID) to create a mentoring program for students of color who are exploring law
 - Crafted events (dinners, books group, lectures) to establish community
 - Recognized for cutting edge program in "[How Saint Joseph's LEAD Program Creates Connections for Aspiring Lawyers of Color](#)," *The Philadelphia Lawyer*, Philadelphia Bar Association Quarterly Magazine, Spring 2022 1 (85).
- Represented the University at admissions, alumni, and other external events
- Director, SJU Law Endowment, 2015-2021, 2023-2024
- Budget and manage \$50,000 annual payout from SJU Law Alumni Endowment
- Create law and justice programming
 - Founded annual Nardi Symposium on Law and Justice in 2014, featuring high profile scholars and practitioners of law and drawing 100 attendees annually
 - Led working group to develop and launch Youth Courts Law class
 - Collaborated with departments across campus to create full schedule of events
- Collaborated with SJU Law Alumni chapter and Development to advance student law programming and services

Haverford College, Haverford, PA

Visiting Assistant Professor of Public Law and American Politics, Fall 2002 – Spring 2003

Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ

Lecturer, Political Science Department, Fall 2001 – Spring 2002

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

Lecturer and Visiting Assistant Professor, Political Science Department, Fall 1996 – Fall 1999

The University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

Lecturer, Political Science, Environmental Studies Departments, Fall 1992 – Spring 1998

EDUCATION

The University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

Ph.D. Department of Political Science, 2001: "Environmental Liberalism: The Values & Mechanisms of a Principled Political Theory."

Qualifying Paper in American Politics and Public Law, Department of Political Science, 1990: "Burning and Waving the Flag in the U.S.: Patriotism, Liberalism and the American Way."

M.A. Department of Political Science, 1989: "Melancton Smith and the Federal Farmer Essays: An Anti-Federalist Theory of Political Representation."

Queens College, The College University of New York, Flushing, NY

Bachelor of Arts, *summa cum laude*, valedictorian, 1986

Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma of New York, 1986

RESEARCH

Book

Democracy, Intelligent Design, and Evolution: Science for Citizenship. London and New York: Routledge Press, 2014, 135 pages. Paperback and Kindle, 2015.

Refereed and Double-Blind Journal Articles

["The Politics of Law: Capricious Originalism and the Future of the Supreme Court."](#) *Polity* online (2/28/23) and print 55, no. 2 (April 2023): 356-362.

["Sensitive Places: Originalism, Gender, and the Myth Self-Defense in *District of Columbia v. Heller*."](#) *Polity* online (12/1/20) and print 53, no. 3 (July 2021): 207-238. Polity Prize for best article of 2021.

["Retreat from the Rule of Law: Locke and the Perils of Stand Your Ground."](#) *Journal of Politics* online (4/24/20) and print 82, no. 3 (July 2020): 955-966.

["Rethinking *Dover*: Religion, Science, and the Values of Democratic Citizenship."](#) *Politics & Religion* 5, no. 3 (August 2012): 441-462.

["The Text and Context of "Enough and as Good": John Locke as the Foundation of an Environmental Liberalism."](#) *Polity* 43, no. 2 (April 2011): 210-241.

["Lockean Switching: Imagination and the Production of Principles of Toleration."](#) *Perspectives on Politics* 7, no. 4 (December 2009): 823-836.

Refereed Encyclopedia Articles and Book Chapter

"Green Political Theory," *Cambridge Dictionary of Political Thought*, edited by Carol Attack, Richard Bellamy, Christopher Brooke, and Leigh Jenco, Cambridge University Press, expected to publish 2025.

"Armed Rebellion: Ammon Bundy and the Malheur Wildlife Refuge," *Political Violence in America: Historical Flashpoints and Modern-Day Trends*, edited by Lori Cox Han and Tomislav Han Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2022.

"Popish Plots, Playing Cards, and Political Theory," in *Against Popery: Britain, Empire, and Anti-Catholicism* edited by Evan Haefeli, University of Virginia Press, 2020. Co-authored with Andrew Murphy and Gregory Zucker.

"State Church." *Blackwell's Encyclopedia of Political Thought*, 8 volumes, Wiley-Blackwell, October 2014, p. 3571-3581 and [online](#), John Wiley & Sons, Inc, September 2014.

Refereed Public Scholarship (readership via Cision when available)

[“Unity and Discipline for the Democrats in Chicago,”](#) *3Streams* published on *Medium*. August 27, 2024

[“Public Television Fails the Public: PBS, Reproductive Rights, and the DNC,”](#) *3Streams* published on *Medium*. August 21, 2024.

[“What the court got wrong this week: How the Supreme Court’s Immunity Decision Ignores Madisonian Logic to Anoint an Imperial Presidency,”](#) *3Streams* published on *Medium*. July 3, 2024.

[“Court creates chaos as it rules on domestic violence and the Second Amendment: Justice Jackson calls out the madness,”](#) *3Streams* published on *Medium*. June 23, 2024.

[“The Vice President Matters in 2024: Kamala Harris is the Prosecutor Defending Reproductive Rights,”](#) *3Streams* published on *Medium*. April 16, 2024.

[“Here’s How Originalism Trivializes Violence Against Women,”](#) *3Streams* published on *Medium*. July 12, 2023.

[“This Court has no moderate justices. It is a Court of threes,”](#) *3Streams* published on *Medium*. June 29, 2023.

[“When the Court overturned a century-old statute on carrying a concealed gun, it radically revised what’s protected by the Constitution,”](#) *3Streams* published on *Medium*. August 25, 2022.

[“BLM V. #BLM: The Dangers of the New Armed Rebellion Narrative,”](#) *The Brennan Center for Justice at NYU Law*. June 29, 2021. Readership 278, 334.

[“Why even diehard originalists aren’t really originalists.”](#) *The Washington Post’s Monkey Cage Blog*. October 21, 2020. Readership 23,320,417.

[“100 Years of Political Spectacle: Women, Political Protest, and the White House.”](#) *History News Network*, George Washington University. Co-authored with Bernadette Crehan. May 17, 2020.

[“How Does the United States Use Immigration to Suppress Free Speech?”](#) *Literary Hub*, August 17, 2020.

[“Why Did It Take So Long to Get a Woman on the Supreme Court?: Short-listing Isn’t Success But a Symptom of a Problem,”](#) *Literary Hub*, July 27, 2020

Edited Works

“Symposium on the Supreme Court” published by *Polity* 55, no. 2 (April 2023): 365-426. I selected the 7 teams of authors, read and edited several drafts of each article, and wrote an original essay that serves as both an introduction and original contribution.

Works in Progress

Article, “Teaching Law, Courts, and Reproduction Post *Dobbs*.”

Article, “The Key to Understanding the American Abortion Debate is the History of Sterilization.”

Article, “The Ghost of Tom Joad: Racism, Property, Guns, and the Law in *Grapes of Wrath*.”

Book Reviews and Review Essays

Review of Michael Walzer’s *The Paradox of Liberation: Secular Revolutions and Religious Counterrevolutions* (Yale 2015), *Perspectives on Politics* 15, no. 1 (March 2017): 228-230.

Review of Firmin DeBrabander's *Do Guns Make Us Free: Democracy and the Armed Society* (Yale 2015), *Perspectives on Politics* 15, no. 1 (March 2017): 237-240.

"How to Decide What is Caesar's?" Reviews of Abner Greene's *Against Obligation* (Harvard 2013) and James E. Fleming and Linda McClain's *Ordered Liberty: Rights, Responsibilities, and Virtues* (Harvard 2013), *Perspectives on Politics* 12, no. 4 (December 2014): 892-894.

"Back to Burke?" Review of Drew Maciag's *Edmund Burke in America: The Contested Career of the Father of Modern Conservatism* (Cornell University Press 2013), *America: The Jesuit Review* 211, no. 6 (September 15, 2014): 33-34.

"Establishment Politics? The Fight for Same-Sex Marriage in Courts, Politics, and Society," Featured book review of Jason Pierceson's *The Road to the Supreme Court: Same-Sex Marriage in the United States* (Rowman & Littlefield 2013), Emily R. Gill's *An Argument for Same-Sex Marriage: Religious Freedom, Sexual Freedom, and Public Expressions of Civic Equality* (Georgetown 2012), and Jaye Cee Whitehead's *The Nuptial Deal: Same-Sex Marriage & Neo-Liberal Governance* (University of Chicago 2012). *Politics & Religion* 7, no. 1 (March 2014): 209-218.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

External

Polity Award for Best Article in 2021, \$500, University of Chicago Press, Presented at Northeastern Political Science Association, Boston, 2022.

Summer Centennial Center Research Grant, American Political Science Association (2nd Century and Rita Mae Kelly Fund) 2021 (P1 on co-authored grant with Dr. Lilly Goren, \$7,210) for "Undue Burden: An Abortion Conference for the 21st Century."

Alma Ostrom and Leah Hopkins Awan Civic Education Fund Grant, American Political Science Association Centennial Center for Political Science and Public Affairs, 2017 (\$1,000)

Small Research Grant, American Political Science Association 2016

Fellow, The Walt Whitman Center for the Culture & Politics of Democracy, Rutgers University, 1999-2001

Wayne C. Booth Graduate Student Prize for Excellence in Teaching, University of Chicago, 1995

Grodzins Prize Lectureships, The University of Chicago, 1992, 1995

Fellow in Education and Public Policy, NYS Science and Technology Foundation, Albany, 1986-7

Century Fellowship, The University of Chicago, 1987-1991

Garfinkel Graduate Scholarship, Queens College, The City University of New York, 1986

Internal

Dirk Warren '50 Sesquicentennial Research Chair in Education and Social Sciences, August 2021-2023

Merit Awards for Advising, Saint Joseph's University 2006, 2019

Summer Research Grants, Saint Joseph's University 2004, 2011, 2018

Michael J. Morris Scholarly Research Grant, Saint Joseph's University 2017-2018

Faculty Merit Award for Justice, Saint Joseph's University 2016

Online Curriculum Grants, Saint Joseph's University 2015, 2016

General Education Curriculum Development Grants, Saint Joseph's University 2012, 2013

Merit Award for Service, Saint Joseph's University 2014

Merit Award for Research, Saint Joseph's University 2013

Merit Award for Teaching, Saint Joseph's University 2005, 2012

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- “The Second Amendment and the State’s Monopoly on Violence,” Duke Center for Firearms Law, Duke University Law School, via Zoom, April 12, 2021.
- “Reflecting on Guns, COVID-19, and #BLM,” Workshop on Gun Rights and Regulations,” The Brennan Center for Justice, New York University Law School, New York, February 26, 2021.
- “Dead Wrong: Women, Inequality, and Gun Rights in *District of Columbia v. Heller*,” Law and Politics Seminar, Columbia University, New York, February 2017.
- “Stand Your Ground: Blackstone, Locke, and the Politics of Self-Defense,” Political Theory Workshop, Duke University, Durham, January 2017.
- “Stand Your Ground v. Retreat to the Wall: Do American Gun Laws Undermine the Public Good?” TriCo Political Theory Workshop, Bryn Mawr College, April 2016.
- “Law, Intelligent Design, and the Courts,” Law and Politics Seminar, Columbia University, New York, January 2014.
- “Life, Liberty, and Property: Towards a Liberal Discourse on Guns and Gun Control,” Political Theory Workshop, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, September 2013.
- “Rethinking *Dover*: Activating Liberal Rights: Intelligent Design, Evolution, and Political Identity,” Political Theory Workshop, Duke University, Durham, February 2009.
- “Evolution, Citizenship, and the Supreme Court: The Role of Education in Liberal Society,” Jack Wright Memorial Speaker Series, The George Washington University, Washington, D.C., March 2008.
- “Rethinking *Dover*: The Role of Science and Education in Liberal Society,” Political Theory Workshop, The University of Chicago, Chicago, October 2007.
- “Lockean Switching: Imagination and the Production of Principles of Toleration,” Social and Political Theory Workshop, Washington University, St. Louis, February 2006.
- “Locke’s *Second Treatise* and its Relationship to Today’s Theories of Democracy,” Institute for the Study of Democracy, Leadership, and Service in the U.S., Graham School of General Studies of The University of Chicago, Chicago, January 2007 and January 2008.

REFEREED NATIONAL CONFERENCE PAPERS

- “Beyond Abortion: Bodily Integrity in the American Liberal Tradition,” Northeastern Political Science Association, Boston, MA, November 2023.
- “Exclusion, Whiteness, and Asian Americans: How the Supreme Court Reinvented Race and Citizenship,” Association for Political Theory Conference, UMass Amherst, Amherst MA, November 2021.
- “Race, Gender, and Commerce: Trafficking Women’s Autonomy in the *Lochner* Era,” co-authored with Callie Crouch ’23, Northeast Political Science Association Annual Conference, November 2021.
- “Guns of Wrath?: Guns as Tools of Radical Reform in 20th Century American.” Association for Political Theory Conference, University of California, Irvine, October 2019.
- “The Ghost of Tom Joad: Property, Guns, and the Law,” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., August 2019.
- “Defending Equality: The Armed Struggle for Black Civil Rights,” Annual Meeting of the Association for Political Theory, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, October 2017.
- “Armed Bundys?: Gun Rights and the Limits of Liberal Rebellion,” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, August 2017.
- “Stand Your Ground: Guns, Gender, and Democratic Citizenship in the *Heller* Case,” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2016.
- “Girls with Guns? Gun Rights, Gender, and Democratic Citizenship,” Annual Meeting of the Association for Political Theory, University of Colorado, Boulder, October 2015.

- “Stand Your Ground v. Retreat to the Wall: How American Gun Laws Undermine the Public Good,” Annual Meeting of the Association for Political Theory, University of Wisconsin, Madison, October 2014.
- “Life, Liberty, and Property: Towards a Liberal Discourse on Guns and Gun Control,” Annual Meeting of the Association for Political Theory, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, October 2013.
- “Creating Civic Temperament: Liberal Education in the Work of John Adams,” Annual Meeting of the Association for Political Theory, Reed College, Portland, October 2010.
- “Instituting Science: Locke, Evolution, and Liberal Education,” Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, March 2009.
- “Rethinking Dover: The Role of Science and Education in Liberal Society,” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2008.
- “Science and Citizenship: Liberal Education in the Work of John Adams,” Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Diego, March 2008.
- “The Science of Enlightenment: Evolution and the Role of Information in Liberal Society,” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2006.
- “The Lockean Switch: The Toleration of Differences in the Liberal Tradition,” Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Oakland, March 2005.
- “Switching Places: John Locke and the Toleration of Difference in the American Political Tradition,” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 2004.
- “The Rules of the Game: Contract Theory, the Rule of Law and the Problem of Ecology,” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September 2001.
- “Liberalism and the Political: The Foundations of a Greener Liberalism,” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2001.
- “Can Liberals be Green? The Environmental Critique of Liberal Democracy,” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September 2000.
- “Political Theory and Environmental Public Policy: Revisiting Liberal Theories of Property,” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Atlanta, September 1999.
- “The Value & Mechanisms of Stability: a New Liberalism for Greener Times,” Annual Meeting of the New England Political Science Association, Worcester, May 1998.
- “The Inequality of Environmental Goods: Liberalism and the Challenge of Future Generations,” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September 1996.
- “Mechanisms of Stability: Liberal Institutions and the Environment,” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 1995.
- “Rawlsian Liberal Democratic Theory: Individuals v. Humanity? The Case of the Environment,” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September 1993.

SELECTED CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- Discussant, “The Politics of the Marvel Cinematic Universe: Gender, Power, and Agency in Narrative,” European Conference on Politics and Gender, Ghent, Belgium, July 2024.
- Discussant, “Politics in/of Academia,” Association for Political Theory Conference, Union College, Schenectady, NY, October 2023.
- Roundtable Presenter, “Gun Law, Politics, and Policy,” Midwest Political Science Association, April 2021.
- Discussant and Chair, “The Effects of Affect,” Association for Political Theory, University of Massachusetts-Amherst (Virtual), November 2020.

Discussant, "A Politics of Movement: Uprootedness and Fugitivity," Association for Political Theory Conference, University of California, Irvine, October 2019.

Discussant and Chair, Sources of Restraint in the American Republic, Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C. 2019.

Chair, "Direct Action," Annual Meeting of the Association for Political Theory, Haverford/Bryn Mawr Colleges, Philadelphia, October 2018. Chair, "Reason and Value in Deliberative Democracy," Annual Meeting of the Association for Political Theory, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, October 2017.

Chair, "Corporations and Capitalism: Historical and Legal Perspectives," Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September 2017.

Presenter, "Internships and Political Theory: Comparing Principles and Practice" for "Pedagogy Workshop on Experiential Learning and Civic Engagement," Annual Meeting of the Association for Political Theory, The Ohio State University, Columbus, October 2016.

Discussant, "Territories and Markets," Annual Meeting of the Association for Political Theory, The Ohio State University, Columbus, October 2016.

Chair, "Technologies of Neoliberalism," Annual Meeting of the Association for Political Theory, The Ohio State University, Columbus, October 2016.

Discussant, "Hobbes," Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2016.

Chair, "The Bios: Food, Bodies, Life Itself," Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2016.

Chair, "The Economic Mind," Annual Meeting of the Association for Political Theory, University of Colorado, Boulder, October 2015.

Chair, "Sovereignty and Post-Sovereignty," Annual Meeting of the Association for Political Theory, University of Wisconsin, Madison, October 2014.

Discussant, "Facts and Values," Annual Meeting of the Association for Political Theory, Vanderbilt University Nashville, October 2013.

Chair, "Samuel Moyn's The Last Utopia: Human Rights in History" and "Legacies of Ancient Texts in Early and Late Modernity," Annual Meeting of the Association for Political Theory, University of South Carolina, Columbia, October 2012.

Discussant, "Tea Party and Vengeful Discourse," Annual Meeting of the Association for Political Theory, University of South Carolina, Columbia, October 2012.

Chair, "Limits of Liberalism: Relativism, Religion, and Language," Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2008.

Discussant and Chair, "Islam: Political Thought and Practice," Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2008.

Discussant, "Virtue and the American Founding," Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 2007.

Discussant and Chair, "Dilemmas of Democratic Equality," Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 2007.

Chair, "The Edge of Reason: Science and Anger in the Liberal Tradition," Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 2006.

TEACHING

Courses taught at Saint Joseph’s University

(*=General Education Program Writing or Ethics Intensive; ^=created course; #=entirely revised course)

Political Theory:

Introduction to Political Thought#
 American Political Thought#
 Film, Politics, & Ideology^*
 Theories of Justice in the 21st Century
 (Capstone Seminar)*^
 Modern Political Thought^

Race, Gender, and the Law^
 The Armed Citizen (Capstone
 Seminar)*^
 Social Controversies and the
 Supreme Court (online)^
 Constitutional Politics (online)#

Public Law:

Reproduction and the Courts^
 Law and Liberty (First Year Seminar)^
 Law and Social Change*^
 Constitutional Law: Civil Rights and
 Civil Liberties*
 Guns, Courts, and Violence^

American Politics:

Introduction to American Gov’t#
 Environmental Politics in America*^

Community Engaged & Experiential Learning:

Global Smarts Internship^
 Philadelphia-Area Internship

Teaching Awards and Grants

Merit Awards for Advising, Saint Joseph's University, 2006, 2019
 Summer Research Grants, Saint Joseph’s University, 2004, 2011, 2018
 Faculty Merit Award for Justice, Saint Joseph’s University, 2016
 Online Curriculum Grants, Saint Joseph’s University, 2015, 2016
 General Education Curriculum Development Grants, Saint Joseph's University, 2012, 2013
 Merit Awards for Teaching, Saint Joseph's University, 2005, 2012
 Wayne C. Booth Prize for Excellence in Teaching, The University of Chicago, 1995
 Grodzins Prize Lectureships, The University of Chicago, 1992, 1995

SELECT MEDIA with data via Cision

PRINT JOURNALISM

USA Today

[‘A daughter of California’: How a Kamala Harris presidency could shake things up,](#)” Sarah D. Wire and Riley Beggin, July 28, 2024 | Readership 64,567,205 and published in over 111 outlets nationally and internationally.

[Single, childless women push back against Vance claims they don't care about America,](#)” Sarah D. Wire, Swapna Venugopal Ramaswamy, and Phillip M. Bailey, July 27, 2024 | Readership 64,567,205 and published in over 131 outlets nationally and internationally.

[“How Donald Trump’s criminal conviction is already rewriting American history,](#)” Karissa Waddick, June 1, 2024 | Readership 80,347,851 and published in over 100 outlets nationally and internationally

[“‘It’s unprecedented’: Biden’s exit is a history-making moment in the American presidency,](#)” Chris Kenning and Darren Samuelsohn, July 22, 2024 | Readership 64,567,205 and published in over 78 outlets nationally and internationally

Washington Post

[“The 5-Minute Fix: Do gun restrictions work?”](#) Amber Phillips, *The Washington Post*. May 26, 2022.
| Readership 58,507,198

[“Why even diehard originalists aren’t really originalists.”](#) *The Washington Post’s Monkey Cage Blog*.
October 21, 2020. | Readership 23,320,417

[“Why a liberal, risk-averse professor went back to campus when she didn’t have to”](#), Online, September 2, 2020 and [“For risk-averse teacher, a fraught decision: Return to campus online,”](#) Print, September 6, 2020
| Online Readership 24,926,671 | Sunday Print Circulation 425,633

- Feature article (1800 words with 4 photographs online/3paper) about my decision to teach face-to-face in Fall 2020 during COVID-19
- Front page of Sunday business section
- Interviewed by Todd C. Frankel (14 hours) over 6 weeks and photographed by Rachel Wisniewski

AFP (Agence France-Presse)

[“Rulings Renew Questions Over Supreme Court’s Ideology,”](#) Camille Camdessus
June 30, 2023 | Combined readership over 250,000,000

- Published by [Barron’s](#), [Yahoo News](#), [Daily Mail Online](#), [Breitbart](#), [Macau Business](#), [Jacaranda 94.2](#), [NewsBreak](#), [East Coast Radio](#), [La Nouvelliste](#).

Newsday

[“Election Focuses Energy on Pennsylvania Battleground,”](#) Laura Figueroa Hernandez,
September 7, 2024 | Readership 1,244,946

Christian Science Monitor

[“Big Problems, Consensus Solutions: Why So Hard for Congress to Act?”](#) Linda Feldmann,
May 31, 2022 | Readership 814,814

Fox News

[“Washington Post reporter claims the Second Amendment was ‘reinterpreted’ to include individual gun rights,”](#)
Lindsay Kornick, May 31, 2022 | Readership 45,362,045

Philadelphia Inquirer

[“Democratic National Convention set to begin Monday with party enthused over Harris,”](#) Marco Serino,
August 17, 2024 | Readership 73,459

[“Kamala Harris should take note of mistakes made in 2016, Philly political insiders suggest,”](#) Marco Serino,
July 29, 2024 | Readership 167,344

WHYY Blog, NPR and PBS

[“Philadelphians grieve Rittenhouse verdict – and share thoughts on fixing a ‘broken’ system,”](#) Sophia Schmidt,
November 19, 2021 | Readership 1,195,758 | Broadcast 321,200

Bloomberg

[“Democrats Vocal, GOP Quiet on Abortion in Governors’ Races,”](#) Jennifer Kay, October 21, 2022 | Readership 55,053

“Update on State Lawsuits over Concealed Carry,” August 30, 2022 | Readership N/A

Texas Monthly

[“The Supreme Court Sparks a Strange Alliance Between Advocates of Gun Rights and Abortion Rights,”](#) Dan

Solomon, December 15, 2021 | Readership 1,193,556

- Featured expert and provided background material in the article.

The New Arab

[“Outrage, helplessness after US mass school shooting in Texas,”](#) Brooke Anderson, May 26, 2022
| Readership 275,848

[“‘A Historic Nomination’: The Hearing of Ketanji Brown Jackson, Biden’s Supreme Court Pick,”](#) Brooke Anderson, March 25, 2022 | Readership 190,086

Lexington Herald Leader

[Abortion 'on the ballot' in KY: - Roe's fall elevates debate in fall campaigns and beyond,](#) Austin Horn, July 24, 2022 | Readership 625,379

[“Is Kentucky as polarized over abortion as its politicians? Democrats are hoping not,”](#) Alex Acquisto, July 24, 2022 | Readership 625,379

The Messenger

[“Trump Gag Order Tests the 2024 GOP Frontrunner’s Ability to Keep Pushing the Limits on Rhetoric, Experts Say,”](#) Darren Samuelsohn and Steve Reilly, October 3, 2023 | Readership 3,343,994

[“Impeachment is Everywhere Now Instead of Being a ‘Once in a Century’,”](#) Sophie Tatum, September 24, 2023 | Readership 3,343,994

[“Trump Faces a RICO Charge – What Does that Mean?,”](#) Khaya Himmelman, August 15, 2023 | Readership 2,629,714

[“‘Biden on the Defensive’: Experts See Political Risks for President in His Special Counsel Investigating His Son,”](#) Darren Samuelsohn and Steve Reilly, August 12, 2023 | Readership 1,628,242

The Messenger Scale, May 2023-January 2024

- Political and legal analyst who rated the importance of news events defining the U.S. News landscape to create [the Messenger Scale](#)
- As one of the founding experts, I rated alongside former White House staffers, political scientists, legal experts, former prosecutors, and journalists
- 34 real-time ratings with many pull quotes
- Readership began with 54,580 and peaked at 3 million before the venue ended.

National Catholic Reporter

[“Attempt to ban bump stocks fails in the Senate in wake of Supreme Court ruling,”](#) Kate Scanlon, June 19, 2024
| Readership (including below) 1,087,298

- Also published by [Catholic Review](#) and [The Boston Pilot](#)

Our Sunday Visitor

[“US endures ‘staggering’ record number of mass killings in first half of 2023,”](#) Kate Scanlon, July 18, 2023 |
Readership (including below) 297,484

- Also published by [The Dialog](#), [Catholic Courier](#), [Detroit Catholic](#), and [Catholic Review](#)

NPR – KERA News, North Texas (and Houston Public Media)

[“Can the State Fair of Texas ban guns on government property? The answer is complicated,”](#) Toluwani Osibamowo.
August 19, 2024 | Combined Readership 838,933

TELEVISION

Gabc with Walter Perez

[“Why did Kamala Harris choose Tim Walz over Josh Shapiro for VP? Expert weighs in”](#) August 7, 2024 (5pm and 6pm broadcasts, shared with ABC affiliates in Chicago and Durham, and web article 2 mins | Readership 7,627,471 | Broadcasts 557,076

[“Former President Trump airs grievances over Michael Cohen”](#) April 23, 2024 (5pm and 10pm broadcasts and shared with ABC affiliates in NY, LA, Houston, and Chicago and [web article](#))
2 mins | Readership >21,000,000 | Broadcast 247,865

News Nation Live

[“Supreme Court Hear Arguments in Key Case as New Term Begins,”](#) October 3, 2023. 5 mins | Broadcast 94,000

PHL17 In Focus with Jennifer Lewis-Hall

- [What’s Coming this Term in the Supreme Court](#), November 4 and 5, 2023 6 minutes | Total Readership 34,790 | Broadcast 11/4 1786 | Broadcast 11/5 1059.
- [Supreme Court Ends Affirmative Action](#), July 15 and 16, 2023 8 minutes | Total Readership 56,554 | Broadcast N/A
- [Midterm Elections, PA, and \(Women’s\) Voting](#), September 10 and September 11, 2022 8 minutes | Readership 149,103 | Broadcast 9/10 4,786 | Broadcast 9/11 2,318
- [Supreme Court Overturns Roe v. Wade](#), July 2 and July 3, 2022 8 minutes | Readership 33,865 | Broadcast 7/2 3986 | Broadcast 7/3 971
- [Impact of SCOTUS Link of Roe v. Wade](#), May 14 and 15, 2022 6.5 minutes | Readership 31,334 | Broadcast 5/15 3,532.
- [Infrastructure Bill, Stand Your Ground, PA’s Midterm Elections](#), November 27 and 28, 2021. 8 minutes | Readership N/A | Broadcast N/A.
- [NJ and VA’s Governor’s Races, Looking Forward to Midterms](#), October 20 and 21, 2021. 8 minutes | Readership N/A | Broadcast N/A.
- [Voting Rights and Infrastructure Bill and its Regional Impact](#), July 3 and 4, 2021. 6 minutes | Readership 13,445 | Broadcast 530 and 216.
- [Derek Chauvin verdict](#) and [Biden’s First 100 Days](#), April 24 and 25, 2021. 9 minutes | Readership N/A | Broadcast 1,362 and 5,429.
- [Voting Rights in GA, NJ, PA, and DE; MLB Moves All-Star Game](#), April 10 and 11, 2021. 9 minutes | Readership 6,873 | Broadcast 5,108 (4/10) and 1,376 (4/11).
- Origin of “First 100 Days,” Evaluating Biden Presidency, and Impeachment Trial, February 6 and 7, 2021. 9 mins | Readership N/A | Broadcast 1303 and 1356.
- Stimulus Politics and the Georgia Senate Elections and Assessing Biden’s Cabinet, January 2 and 3, 2021. 10 mins | Readership N/A | Broadcast 5,122 and 3,198
- [Presidential Transitions in Context and Lame Duck Presidential Power](#) and [Biden’s Transition Team and Legislative Possibilities for Stimulus Package](#), November 21 and 22, 2020. 10 mins | Readership 10,844 | Broadcast 3,318 (11/21) and 6,356 (11/22)
- New US and PA Polls, Impact of POTUS’s COVID on campaign, October 10 and 11, 2020. 7 mins | Readership N/A | Broadcast 1,944
- [Remote Party Conventions, Hatch Act, Party Narratives](#), August 22 and 23, 2020. 7 mins | Readership 6,995 | Broadcast 2,682
- [Death of John Lewis, Voting Rights Act 15th Amendment](#) and [Biden’s VP pick, polling, COVID-19 and election](#), July 25 and 26, 2020. 9 mins | Readership 10,356 | Broadcast 10,110
- [Supreme Court cases \(DACA, LGBTQ+, Abortion\)](#), July 4 and 5, 2020. 6 mins | Readership 6,995 | Broadcast 2,184
- [COVID19 effect on primary elections](#), March 14 and 15, 2020. 8-mins | Readership 16,263 | Broadcast N/A

PHL 17 Morning News, PHL17

- [Unpacking the Bill Cosby Release](#), July 1, 2021. 4.5 mins | Readership 5784 | Broadcast 5331
- [Making Sense of Election Day 2020](#), November 4, 2020. 5mins | Readership 5,928 | Broadcast 9,937
- [Politics \(and Effects\) of Confirming Supreme Court nominee Amy Coney Barrett](#), September 28, 2020. 5 mins | Readership N/A | Broadcast 12,069

CBS 3 News with Natasha Brown

[“Saint Joseph’s University Creates Outdoor Learning Space to Help Keep Students Safe During Pandemic,”](#)
Monday, September 28, 2020. 1:21 mins | Readership 286,149 | Broadcast 4pm 72,478 5pm 74,136

RADIO AND PODCASTS

Public Radio – Central Time with Rob Ferrett Wisconsin Public Radio

[“What Alabama Supreme Court ruling on frozen embryos means for reproductive rights,”](#) Wisconsin Public Radio. February 23, 2024 at 4:00 and 5:30 15 mins | Readership 370,205 | Audience N/A

- In this live interview, I provided an analysis of the decision by the Alabama State Supreme Court that frozen embryos are people with rights and answered live caller questions.

[“Should domestic abusers have the right to own guns?”](#) Wisconsin Public Radio. July 12, 2023 at 4:00 and 5:30 22mins | Readership 438,642 | Audience N/A

- In this live interview, I provided an overview of a case coming to the Supreme Court, *United States v. Rahimi*, that will determine whether federal law that restricts the use of guns by people under court protective orders for domestic violence will be overturned by the Supreme Court as his “right to bear arms.” I answered live caller questions.

[“Legal future of abortion medication in question after conflicting rulings,”](#) Wisconsin Public Radio and Blog. April 12, 2023 at 4:00 and 5:30 30mins | Readership 542,465 | Audience N/A

- In this live interview, I provided an overview of the two federal court ruling on mifepristone (Texas and Washington), provided an extensive analysis of abortion politics post-*Dobbs*, and answered live caller questions on political and legal implications of the two decisions.

[“Unpacking the Supreme Court's decision overturning Roe v Wade,”](#) Wisconsin PR Radio and Blog. June 24, 2022 at 4:00 and 5:30 30mins | Readership 463,125 | Audience N/A

- In this live interview, I provided a “best on basics” on the Supreme Court decision overturning *Roe v. Wade* and answered caller questions on political and legal implications of the decision.

[“Hearings Continue for Biden Supreme Court Nominee Ketanji Brown Jackson,”](#) Wisconsin PR Radio and Blog. March, 23, 2022 30mins | Readership 402,589 | Audience N/A |

- Provided insights on the historical, political, and racial framings of the Senate hearings in live interview with caller questions.

NPR – Radio Times, WHYY, Philadelphia

[“Overturning Mayor Kenney’s Gun Ban and the future of local gun laws”](#) with Tracey Matisak. *NPR Radio and Blog*. October 11, 2022 15 minutes | Audience 306,400 | Readership 840,552

[“Self Defense, Vigilantism, and the Law”](#) with Marty Moss-Coane. *NPR Radio and Blog*. November 18, 2021 50mins | Audience 306,400 | Readership 1,195,757

- I discussed the history of lethal self-defense, Stand Your Ground laws, and racial bias in a discussion of the trials of Kyle Rittenhouse as well as Gregory McMichael and Travis McMichael (the men who killed Ahmaud Arbery).

Out Loud with Areva Martin, KBLA Talk 1580, Los Angeles

[“Power of the Court: Packing? Impeachment? Separation of Powers.”](#) July 2, 2022 50 mins | Readership N/A | Audience N/A

- During a live hour with Areva Martin, I answered questions about court-packing, the power of other branches and states to adapt to SCOTUS rulings on EPA, abortion, prayer, and concealed carry.

***In Depth* with Matt Leon, Newsradio KYW (CBS) (all dropped as podcast and most aired on radio)**

- [“IVF Isn’t the Issue: the wider impacts of Alabama’s Supreme Court Decision?”](#) February 28, 2024 (radio) February 29, 2024 (podcast) 24 minutes |
- [“Affirmative action is over. What does this mean for the future of college admissions?”](#) August 2, 2023 27 mins | Readership 4,532,787
- [“SCOTUS upheld the Voting Rights Act – Is this a new age of democracy?”](#) June 20, 2023 18 mins | Readership 4,680,831.
- [“Is the Supreme Court preparing to gut workers’ rights?”](#) February 7, 2023 33 mins | Readership 5,839,620
- [“Do we still need affirmative action?”](#) November 15, 2022 31 mins | Readership 4,992,402
- [“Most Americans agree: democracy is in jeopardy. So, why is the nation so divided?”](#) September 19, 2022 31 mins | Readership 4,934,117
- [“Why the Supreme Court decided a 100-year-old gun law was unconstitutional”](#) June 24, 2022. 32 mins | Readership 5,617,814
- [“Other rights in question after abortion: ripple effects from the leaked Supreme Court opinion,”](#) May 3, 2022. 23 mins | Readership 6,698,736
- [“Anger, theatrics, fluff: Were Supreme Court confirmation hearings always like this?,”](#) March 28, 2022. 30 mins | Readership 5,416,790
- [“‘Brilliant lawyering’: how Sand Hook families landed a rare victory in court,”](#) March 2, 2022. 18 mins | Readership N/A
- [“Abortion and the new Supreme Court: Clear Case v. Changed Supreme Court,”](#) December 6, 2021. 30 mins | Readership N/A
- [“A Second Amendment Case You Need to Hear About,”](#) November 5, 2021. 23 mins | Readership N/A
- [“Death by a hundred cuts:” The state of voting rights in America,](#) July 20, 2021. 25 mins | Readership 5,587,093

The Hawk, Saint Joseph’s weekly newspaper

[“Trivializing Violence Against Women,”](#) September 27, 2023

[“Meaningless political circus? Race and gender in the confirmation hearings of Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson,”](#) March 30, 2022

***New Books in Political Science* Podcast and Blog** published on [New Books Network](#)

Co-host, 2019 – present

- [Summary of 130+ published hour-long podcasts](#) with show links.
- I interview authors in political science, law, and history with special attention to race, courts, and gender.

MEDIA TRAINING

Advanced Media Training, AKCG Public Relations Counselors, Philadelphia, PA, May 10, 2022.

Op-Ed Project Core Seminar: Write to Change the World, New York, NY, September 21, 2013

SJU Mock TV Interview Training, Philadelphia PA, November 2011

SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS

LinkedIn: www.linkedin.com/in/susan-liebell-9288b430

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Instagram and Threads: dr.susan.liebell

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

New Books Network

Co-host of *New Books in Political Science Podcast*, 2019 – present

- Over [100 published podcasts](#) in political science, history, and law
- 50-minute interviews preserved in public archive for students, teachers, journalists, etc.

American Political Science Association

Grant Application Reviewer, Centennial Center Research Grants, Summer 2020

- Reviewed 14 grants (ranging from \$1500 to \$10,000) in all fields of political science including comparative judicial politics, women and politics, history of political thought, polling, comparative politics, American politics, and International Relations

Association for Political Theory

Chair, Standing Committee on Equity, Inclusion and Diversity, Summer 2019 – November 2020

Co-Chair, November 2020-November 2021

- Organize and help craft the pre-conference workshops for 25 scholars with two specialists for Annual Meeting of APT: “Critical Solidarities” (2018), “Queering the Demos” (2019), “The Politics of Care: COVID and Intersectionality” (2020), and “Grief, Mourning, and Politics” (2021).
- Manage and help craft pedagogy panels for the Annual Meeting of APT: “Decolonizing the Canon” (2018), “Feminist Ideologies” (2019) and “Addressing Bias in Student Evaluations” (2021)
- Create agendas, organize documents, and chair monthly meetings
- Oversee the committee’s review of harassment and childcare policies

Member, Standing Committee on Equity, Inclusion and Diversity, Spring 2018 – 2022

Mentor, Professional Development Mentoring Program, 2017-2019

Member and Chair, Governance Committee, 2012 – 2015 (Member), 2014 – 2015 (Chair)

- Elected by membership to the committee that controls APT’s finances, insurance, programming, conference locations, and membership policies
- Prepared the agenda, chaired the annual meeting of the GC, and ran the election of officers at the annual business meeting

Co-Director of National Conference, 2012

- Wrote call for papers, assembled program committee, assigned, read, and evaluated peer reviews of ~150 proposals, selected papers and assembled all panels for 3-day national conference
- Chaired program committee that created plenary, pedagogy panel, professional workshops, and online book group by identifying topics and inviting speakers

Program Committee Member, 2011

- Read, commented on, and ranked approximately 30 proposals
- Collaborated with program committee to craft plenary address, pedagogy panel, online book group

Member, 2010-present

- Chair and/or discussant, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012

Columbia University, Law and Politics Seminar

- Faculty from history and political science present scholarly work for discussion
- Elected by peers Spring 2014 – present

Northeast Association of Pre-Law Advisers

- Mentor new pre-law advisers since 2018
- Member 2014 – 2021

American Political Science Association

- Reviewer for Centennial Center Research Grants, July-August 2020
- Discussant and Chair for Annual Meeting 2019, 2017, 2016, 2007, 2006
- Member 1993-present

Midwest Political Science Association

- Discussant 2008
- Member 1995-2009, 2021-Present

Western Political Science Association

- Member 2005-2010

Scholarly Review

BOOKS (peer review)

MIT University Press, Routledge Press, Palgrave Macmillan, Oxford University Press

JOURNALS (blind peer review)

American Journal of Political Science, American Journal of Sociology, Contemporary Political Theory, Ethics & the Environment, Journal of Politics, Polity, Philosophia, Political Theory

PROGRAM REVIEW

External review of proposed Law and Justice major at SUNY Plattsburgh, April 30-May 1, 2020 Zoom

- Review of proposed law-based major
- Interviewed faculty, administrators, support staff, admissions, provosts, and students
- Wrote 12-page report with evaluation and recommendations

External review of the Law and Politics and Law and Public Policy majors at Dickinson College, Carlisle, March 4-6, 2018

- Review of two current law-based majors with colleague from Ithaca College
- Interviewed faculty, administrators, and students and met with provost
- Wrote 16-page report with evaluation and recommendations

TENURE AND PROMOTION

- Confidential review of candidates in political theory, public law, and American politics for tenure and promotion, 2017, 2022, 2023

SELECT SJU SERVICE

Media representation (see Select Media above)

Executive Committee Member, Faculty Senate, 2019 – 2020

Founding Director, Justice and Ethics in the Law Minor, 2014 – 2016, 2017 – June 2019

- Collaborated with Arts & Sciences and Business faculty to create program
- Advised 30 minors each year
- Served on Advisory Board 2019 – 2021

Member, Board of Rank and Tenure, 2018 – 2019

Chair, General Education Program Writing Intensive Certification Committee, 2013 – 2015

Founding Director, Global Smarts Internship Program, 2012 – 2019

- Collaborated with Philadelphia World Affairs Council to create community engaged internship
- Annually, 22 SJU students mentored 60 middle school students in under-resourced public, Catholic, and charter schools to learn global policy, research skills, and oral presentation to prepare for Model UN

- As outcome of program, middle school students performed on par with students from private and well-funded public schools (e.g. winning merit awards)
- Program awarded [the prestigious Phillip B. Lindy Award for Excellence in K-16 Partnerships](#) in 2020 by Philadelphia Higher Education Network for Neighborhood Development (PHENND) recognizing a collaborative partnership between at least one K-12 school and one university and awarding \$1500 for the program. My interview with PHENND (describing program) [here](#).

Director, Philadelphia Area Internship Program, 2010 – 2016, 2018 – 2019

Founding Faculty Adviser, Hawk Hill Law 2018 – 2021

Commencement Marshal 2004 – present

MLK 50th Anniversary Celebration Planning Committee, 2017

Parliamentarian, University Council, 2014 – 2017, 2019-2020

Phi Beta Kappa, Historian Speech for Induction and event planning, 2014 – 2017

Deans' and Provost's Scholarship Committee to evaluate essays, interview and select 2014 – 2017

Pi Sigma Alpha Faculty Adviser, 2014 – 2016

Honors Committee Advisory Board 2013 – 2015

Environmental Studies Advisory Board 2012 – 2014

Faculty Peer Review (1-2 per academic year)

SELECT COMMUNITY SERVICE

Havertown Public Library, “No Small Talk: How Ruth Bader Ginsburg Became a Judicial Superstar,” March 24, 2019 (public lecture)

Rutgers University, Center for Vector Biology, AcTS Sustainable Resident-Based Mosquito Control Using Mass Deployment of Lethal Ovitraps, Block Leader, May 2018 – May 2020

- Collaborated with Dr. Brian Johnson (Rutgers) and Ms. Diane Heimlich (Highland Park Dept. of Health)
- Trained to communicate information on mosquito biology and prevention
- Recruited people to participate and led orientation for 20 people
- Mapped area, oversaw 40 traps, coordinated data collection

SELECT NON-ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Hans Zeisel Illinois Capital Sentencing Project, The University of Chicago Law School, Chicago, 1992.

- Landmark study determined jurors' (mis)understanding of judge's instructions in death penalty cases
- Trained personally by Zeisel and staff to interview jurors under a simulated court room situation
- Testified in Federal Court regarding administration of the study

Executive Chambers of Governor Mario M. Cuomo, New York

Assistant Director of Research (1984-1986)

- Researched and edited five biweekly reports for Governor
- Designed, administered, and coded polls
- Hired, supervised, and designed projects for 25 research interns

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST