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EDUCATION

Ph.D. (in progress), Michigan State University (expected 2017)

- Fields: American Politics (major); Public Policy (minor); Methodology (minor)
- Research interests:
 - Judicial politics (state courts, judicial selection systems and campaigns, state attorneys general, judicial decision making, litigant behavior)
 - State and urban politics and policy (state-local government relations, local autonomy, legal environment of policy making and policy diffusion)
- Guidance Committee:
Melinda Gann Hall (Chair), Laura Reese, Ryan Black, Joshua Sapotichne

J.D., Wayne State University Law School (2008)

B.A., Oakland University, *magna cum laude*, Political Science and History (2004)

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research, Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research at the University of Michigan (2013)

- Courses taken: Maximum Likelihood Estimation; Regression III
- Lectures attended: Mathematics for Social Scientists II; Introduction to R; Blalock Lectures on Advanced Topics in Social Research.

EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Corporation Counsel, City of Dearborn Department of Law, Dearborn, MI
(Jan. 2010-Aug. 2012)

- Practice areas: Land use, zoning, building code, property taxation, contract law, civil litigation, constitutional law, Freedom of Information Act, prosecution, bankruptcy

Law Clerk, City of Dearborn Department of Law, Dearborn, MI (May 2006-Jan. 2010)

AWARDS AND HONORS

Clifford C. Clogg Scholarship, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (Summer 2013)

- To enroll as a Program Scholar in the ICPSR summer program

Summer fellowship, MSU Dept. of Political Science (Summer 2013)

- To serve as research assistant to Dr. Melinda Gann Hall

Department fellowship, MSU Dept. of Political Science (2012-present, Renewable for 5 years)

- To supplement assistantship funding while enrolled in the Ph.D. program

Graduate assistantship, MSU Dept. of Political Science (2012-present, Renewable for 5 years)

Dean's Scholar and Lombard Fellowship, Wayne State University Law School (2005-2008)

George T. Matthews Scholarship in History, Oakland University (2003-2004)

Talented Scholars Award, Oakland University (2000-2004)

Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society, Alpha Zeta Upsilon Chapter

- President (2003-2004); Secretary (2002-2003)

Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science Honor Society

Golden Key International Honor Society

TEACHING

Instructor of Record

PLS 422: Seminar in Political Science: Sex, Law, and Politics in the U.S. (Summer 2014, online)

Teaching Assistant

ISS 210: Society and the Individual (religion and politics section) – Teaching Assistant to Dr. Ani Sarkissian (Fall 2013)

RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

Research Assistant to Dr. Laura Reese / Global Urban Studies Program (Spring 2013; Summer 2013; Spring 2014)

Research Assistant to Dr. Melinda Gann Hall (Summer 2013; Fall 2013)

Research Assistant to Dr. Joshua Sapotichne (Fall 2012)

GUEST LECTURES

“Religious Freedoms and Civil Liberties in the United States.” Lecture presented to ISS 210: Society and the Individual course at Michigan State University, October 31, 2013.

SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT

Academic Standards Representative, Michigan State University Political Science Graduate Student Association (2013-2014)

Co-Coordinator, Public Policy Workshop, Michigan State University (2013-2014)

SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

Commissioner, City of Dearborn Planning Commission (2012-present)

Member, Madison Heights Historical Commission (2000-2006)

- “Historian of the Year” (2005)

Member, Madison Heights Library Advisory Board (2000-2006)

Member, Madison Heights 50th Anniversary Committee (2004-2005)

Member, Madison Heights Memorial Day Parade Committee (2001 & 2005)

Member, Madison Heights Youth Assistance Board of Directors (1998-2003)

- *Offices Held*: Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary

PAPER PRESENTATIONS

Zalewski, Matthew J. 2004. “The Virtue of Self-Interestedness: Alexander Hamilton’s Energetic Executive and the American Political Landscape in 1787.” Paper presented at the Michigan Phi Alpha Theta Regional Conference, Rochester, MI, March 20, 2004.

Zalewski, Matthew J. 2003. "Aristocrats vs. Democrats: Symbolic Origins of America's Second Party System." Paper presented at Meeting of the Minds XI Conference, Dearborn, MI, May 9, 2003.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Political Science Association

- Law and Courts section

Midwest Political Science Association

State Bar of Michigan

American Planning Association

BAR ADMISSIONS

State Bar of Michigan (Admitted 2008)

Eastern District of Michigan (Admitted 2008)

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit (Admitted 2012)