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EMPLOYMENT

Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI, 2023-present
Adjunct Assistant Professor of Political Science

Courses: Constitutional Law I & II, Courts and Public Policy, Administrative Law, Graduate Seminar in Law, Courts, and Constitutionalism, Legal Writing and Reasoning, American Politics

United States District Court, Southern District of Ohio, Columbus, OH, 2022-2023
Judicial Law Clerk – The Honorable Norah McCann King

- Draft opinions in Social Security appeals
- Conduct legal research
- Assist in various administrative matters

EDUCATION

University of Dayton School of Law, Dayton, OH
J.D., 2021
Staff Writer, University of Dayton Law Review
Dean's Fellow
Student Ambassador
Honor Council
Judicial Extern to Justice Sharon L. Kennedy, Supreme Court of Ohio

Carthage College, Kenosha, WI
B.A., History (Honors, Phi Alpha Theta), minor in Economics
CCIW Academic All-Conference – Men's Swimming (2015-2018)

ACADEMIC ARTICLES

The Unitary Executive and Politics (Ohio Northern Law Review forthcoming, 2025) (available at: https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=4953904).

The Enduring Crisis in Teaching Constitutional Law, 74 EMORY L.J. ONLINE 48 (2025).

Consistent with the Letter and Spirit: Seila Law v. CFPB and the Future of Presidential Removal Power, 47 U. DAYTON L. REV. 163 (2022).

- Reviewed as “remarkable and sophisticated” by Professor Lawrence Solum at *Legal Theory Blog*
- Winner of *Francis J. Conte Award* (voted on by faculty) for superior legal research and merit

A Matter of “Principal”: A Critique of the Federal Circuit’s Decision in Arthrex v. Smith & Nephew, Inc. 98 WASH. U. L. REV. ONLINE 4 (2021).

PUBLIC WRITING

Birthright Citizenship and Nationwide Injunctions, LIBERAL CURRENTS, (June 27, 2025), <https://www.liberalcurrents.com/birthright-citizenship-and-nationwide-injunctions/>

The Unitary Executive: A Primer for the People, LIBERAL CURRENTS, (June 24, 2025), <https://www.liberalcurrents.com/the-unitary-executive-a-primer-for-the-people/>

Article II as Suicide Pact, LIBERAL CURRENTS, (April 30, 2025), <https://www.liberalcurrents.com/article-ii-as-suicide-pact/>

Trump, Hegseth, and the Fallacies of the Unitary Executive, LIBERAL CURRENTS, (March 25, 2025), <https://www.liberalcurrents.com/trump-hegseth-and-the-fallacies-of-the-unitary-executive/>

Of Major Questions and Nondelegation, YALE JOURNAL ON REGULATION: NOTICE & COMMENT (July 3, 2023), <https://www.yalejreg.com/nc/of-major-questions-and-nondelegation-by-patrick-j-sobkowski/>

- “Recommended” by Professor Lawrence Solum at *Legal Theory Blog*

Chaos and Chevron in the Backyard, YALE JOURNAL ON REGULATION: NOTICE & COMMENT (June 28, 2024), <https://www.yalejreg.com/nc/chaos-and-chevron-in-the-backyard-by-patrick-j-sobkowski/>

BOOK REVIEWS

Review of Jesse Tarbert’s WHEN GOOD GOVERNMENT MEANT BIG GOVERNMENT (2021), LIBERAL CURRENTS, (April 28, 2022), <https://www.liberalcurrents.com/moderate-reformers-and-the-american-administrative-state-jesse-tarberts-when-good-government-meant-big-government/>

BOOKS AND EDITED VOLUMES

PATRICK J. SOBKOWSKI, ED., *THE LAW OFFICER’S POCKET MANUAL* (2024 Edition) (Routledge)

WORKS-IN-PROGRESS

THE STEEL SEIZURE CASE: THE DEVELOPMENT OF CONGRESSIONAL AND PRESIDENTIAL POWER IN TIMES OF WAR (book project) (under contract with University Press of Kansas)

“Presidential Penumbra” (draft paper)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

American Presidency, American Constitutional Law, American Administrative Law, American Political Development, American Politics, Bureaucracy, US Supreme Court, Congress, Legal Interpretation

INVITED PRESENTATIONS AND TALKS

“The Unitary Executive and Politics,” ABA Administrative Law Conference (May 8, 2025, Washington, DC).

“The Future of the Presidency and the Separation of Powers,” University of Dayton School of Law (October 19, 2022, Dayton, OH), invited by faculty.

DEPARTMENT SERVICE

Pre-Law Advisor, Klinger College of Arts and Sciences, Marquette University

- Assist students interested in pursuing law school
- Organize various programming events
- Coordinate with Marquette Law School Pre-Law Scholars Program

RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

Research Assistant to Professor Jeffrey Schmitt (Fall 2020 to Spring 2021)

- Jeffrey M. Schmitt, *Slavery and the History of Congress’s Enumerated Powers*, 74 ARK. L. REV. 641 (2022).
- Conducted research concerning constitutional interpretation and the history of slavery.
- Met regularly with Professor Schmitt to discuss research findings.
- Provided substantive comments and feedback on drafts.

AWARDS

Francis J. Conte Award for superior research and argument on the merits

Consistent With the Letter and Spirit: Seila Law v. CFPB and the Future of Presidential Removal Power, 47 U. DAYTON L. REV. 163 (2022).

John Bailey Award for best history paper, Carthage College

Richard Hofstadter: Transcending Consensus