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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Political Science: University of Texas at Dallas, August 2008.

Dissertation: "Voter Choice in Referenda: Cues and Attitudes in Direct Democracy."

B.A. History: Cornell University, June 1975.

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor of Political Science (tenure-track), Department of Social Sciences, University of North Texas at Dallas, Dallas, Texas: 2010-present.

Term Assistant Professor of Government and Politics, Department of Public and International Affairs, George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia: 2009-10.

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa: 2008-09.

Adjunct Instructor, Department of Political Science, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas: 2007-08.

Course Instructor in Political Science and Government, School of Economic, Political and Policy Sciences, University of Texas at Dallas, Dallas, Texas: 2007-08.

Teaching Fellow, Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis, University of Essex, Colchester, United Kingdom: 2006, 2007.

Teaching Assistant and Research Assistant, School of Economic, Political and Policy Sciences, University of Texas at Dallas, Dallas, Texas: 2004-2007.

RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS**British Election Study – Fellow**

Two-year appointment as a fellow assisting principal investigators of the BES in research design and planning. Principal investigators: David Sanders, Paul Whiteley, Harold D. Clarke and Marianne Stewart. 2009-2010.

Political Support in America Survey – Research Assistant

Construction and analysis of survey experiment involving hypothetical referendum on illegal immigration. Primary source compilation of US House election results and turnout data, and coding. Principal investigators Harold D. Clarke, Allan Kornberg and Thomas Scotto. Fall 2006-spring 2007.

University of Texas at Dallas – Research Assistant

Assisted UTD Professor Anthony Champagne, PhD, with preparation of lecture paper on public opinion effects on US Supreme Court decisions using American National Election Study time series data. Summer 2005.

EDITORIAL APPOINTMENTS***Electoral Studies* – Editorial Board member**

Appointed in 2016 as a member of the editorial board of *Electoral Studies*, an international journal covering all aspects of voting, the central act of the democratic process. The journal publishes fully refereed academic papers of interest to political scientists, economists, sociologists, and other academics and professionals. Editorial board members ensure the journal's quality and regularly review submitted articles at the editors' request.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Borges, Walt. 2016. Election Note: The 2014 midterm elections in the United States. *Electoral Studies*. 44: 448-450.

Clarke, Harold D., Paul Whiteley, Walter Borges, David Sanders and Marianne Stewart. 2016. Modelling the dynamics of support for a right-wing populist party: the case of UKIP. *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties*. 26(2), 135-154.

Borges, Walter. 2015. Mass Media and Politics, in *International Encyclopedia of Social and Behavioral Sciences*, 2nd ed. London: Elsevier.

Borges, Walter, Harold Clarke, David Sanders, Marianne Stewart and Paul Whiteley. 2013. The Emerging Political Economy of Austerity in Britain. *Electoral Studies*. 32(3): 396-403. (Corresponding author.)

Clarke, Harold D., Walter Borges, Marianne Stewart, David Sanders and Paul Whiteley. 2013. The Politics of Austerity: Modeling British Attitudes Towards Public Spending Cuts, in *Advances in Political Economy: Institutions, Modelling and Empirical Analysis*, Norman Schofield, Gonzalo Caballero and Daniel Kselman eds. New York: Springer.

Arxer, Steven L., Matthew Babcock and Walter Borges. 2012. Progressivism and Economics: the Case of President Obama, in *Grading the 44th President*. Luigi Esposito and Laura L. Finley eds. Santa Barbara, Calif.: Praeger. 21-40.

Borges, Walt, and Harold D. Clarke. 2008. Cues in Context: Analyzing Referendum Voting with an Internet Survey Experiment. *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties*. 18(4): 433-448.

IN PRESS

Invited book review, *Perspectives on Politics*, American Political Science Association: Allen, Nicholas, and Sarah Birch. 2015. *Ethics and Integrity in British Politics: How Citizens Judge their Politicians' Conduct and Why it Matters*. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press.

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

"Modeling Life Satisfaction in Global Perspective." Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association annual meeting, April 2015. Second listed author with Harold Clarke, Marianne Stewart and Paul Whiteley.

"Modeling the Dynamics of Support for a Right-Wing Party: The Case of UKIP." Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association annual meeting, April 2015. Fourth listed author, with Harold D. Clarke (presenter), Marianne Stewart and Paul Whiteley.

"UKIP Rising: The Politics of Protest and Performance." Paper presented at the Southern Political Science Association annual meeting, January 2014. Fourth listed author, with Harold Clarke, Paul Whiteley, Marianne Stewart and David Sanders.

"We Will, We Will Sack You! (And Cut Your Benefits Too!): Modeling British Attitudes Towards Public Spending Cuts." Paper presented at Conference on Valence Politics and the Continuing Economic Crisis in Comparative Perspective, the European Union Center, Texas A&M University, March 2012. First listed author with Harold Clarke, Marianne Stewart, David Sanders and Paul Whiteley.

"The Politics of Austerity: Modeling British Attitudes Towards Public Spending Cuts." Revised paper presented at the Benjamin F. Shaumbaugh Conference on The New Economic Voter, University of Iowa, March 2012. First author with Harold Clarke (presenter), Marianne Stewart, David Sanders and Paul Whiteley. Clarke and Borges were on the program.

"Too Big to Solve: Intractable Problems in Democracies." Paper presented at the Southern Political Science Association annual meeting, January 2012. First author, with Harold Clarke.

"Public Support for Public Spending Cuts in the United Kingdom." Paper presented at the Northeastern Political Science Association annual meeting, November 2011. Revised paper presented at Southern Political Science Association annual meeting, January 2012. First author, with Harold Clarke.

"Voter choice in referenda: Do Party and Leader Cues Influence Voter Choice in Referenda?" Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 2009. First author, with Harold Clarke.

"Party and Leader Cues in a Hypothetical British Referendum." Paper presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, January 2009. First author, with Harold Clarke.

"Party, Leaders and Referendum Voting; an Internet Survey Experiment." Paper presented at the Cyberinfrastructure and National Election Studies Conference, University of Essex, Colchester UK. August 2007. Sole author.

COURSES TAUGHT**University of North Texas Dallas**

- American Government: Laws and Institutions: PSCI 1040: 19 iterations from Fall 2010 through Fall 2016, including two intensive writing sections.
- American Government: Process and Policy: PSCI 1050: 16 iterations from Fall 2010 through Fall 2016.
- American Government: Topics (Mass Behavior, Media and Politics): PSCI 1060. Spring 2015.
- The Legislative Process: PSCI 3110: Fall 2012.
- Urban Politics: PSCI 4020: Spring 2013, Spring 2016.
- Mass Media in American Politics: PSCI 3160: Spring 2014, Fall 2015.
- International Relations: PSCI 3300: Fall 2016.

George Mason University

- Research Methods and Analysis: Govt. 300: Fall 2009, Spring 2010
- Politics and Mass Media: Govt. 412: Fall 2009, Spring 2010, Summer 2010
- Problem Solving and Data Analysis I: Govt. 711: Spring 2010, Summer 2010
- Problem Solving and Data Analysis II (Advanced Regression): Govt 712: Fall 2009

Grinnell College

- Seminar on American Political Decision-Making: POL 395.01: Spring 2009.
- Public Opinion and the American Democracy: POL 295.02: Spring 2009
- Introduction to Statistics. Social Studies 115: Spring 2009.
- Politics and Media. POL 295.01: Fall 2008.
- Introduction to Politics. POL 101: Fall 2008.

Southern Methodist University

- Media and Politics. PSCI 3331: Fall 2007, Spring 2008.

University of Texas at Dallas

- Political Institutions in the United States and Texas. Govt. 2302: Spring 2008.
- Constitutional Foundations and Political Behavior in the U.S. and Texas. Government 2301: Fall 2007
- Media and Politics. Government 4396: Spring 2007.

TEACHING FELLOWSHIP**University of Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis and Collection**

- Time Series Applications and Advances: Teaching fellow. 2006, 2007.

TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIPS**University of Texas at Dallas (2005-2008)**

Political Behavior, Campaigns and Elections. Constitutional Foundations and Political Behavior in the U.S. and Texas, Film and Politics, Film and Gay Politics.

University of Texas at Austin (1979)

News Writing.

INVITED SYMPOSIA

Conference on Valence Politics and the Continuing Economic Crisis in Comparative Perspective. The European Union Center, Texas A&M University

Cyberinfrastructure and National Election Studies Conference. University of Essex, Colchester UK. August 2007.

INVITED ACADEMIC LECTURES**Richland College**

- Lunchtime Speakers Series: Analyzing Campaign Advertisements, March 2014.

Grinnell College

- Sub-Prime Mortgage Crisis Teach-In, September 2008
- Race, Gender and the Politics of Representation: Media Images of Women in the 2008 Presidential Election, October 2008.

University of Texas at Dallas

- Political communication and international relations, 2007.
- Texas Proposition 12 referendum and medical malpractice caps, 2004, 2007.
- Theories and models of political communication, 2006.
- Theories and models of voter turnout, 2005.
- Latino voting in the US 2004 presidential election, 2005.

INVITED PUBLIC LECTURES**Community Forum - Texas Sen. Royce West**

PowerPoint presentation and 15-minute talk on the implications of the 2014 midterm elections on state and federal politics. November 2014.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE**University of North Texas Dallas**

- President, Faculty Alliance: 2013-2014, 2014-2015.
- Chair, Faculty Alliance Faculty Worklife Committee: 2011-2013.
- Parliamentarian and Executive Committee member, Faculty Alliance: 2011-2013.
- Faculty Alliance Delegate, Texas Council of Faculty Senates, spring 2014, fall 2014.
- Chair, Political Science Faculty Search Committee: 2011.
- Chair, Sports Communication Search Committee, 2015.
- Chair, Psychology Faculty Search Committee: 2014.
- Program Supervisor, Political Science Major, 2016.
- Member ex officio, President's Cabinet and University Council, 2013-2015.
- Member, Search Committee for Vice President of Enrollment Management, 2013-14.
- Member, Search Committee for the UNT Dallas Chief Financial Officer. 2014.
- Member, Search Committee for Veterans Success Coordinator, 2015.
- Member, Interview Team, Assistant Vice President of Communications and Marketing search, 2014.
- Member, Interview Team, Disability Services and Compliance Officer search: 2013.
- Member, New University Model Advisory Panel: 2012.
- Member, University Advancement Council: 2010-12.
- Member, General Education Committee: 2010-2013.
- Member, Core Curriculum Committee for Political Science: 2011-2013.
- Member, UNT Dallas Crisis Response Team: 2013-2016.
- Member, Human Resources Director Search Committee: 2013.
- Member, Committee on New Branding Campaign: 2013-2014.
- Member, Presidential Inauguration Committee (Price): 2011.
- Member, Presidential Inauguration Committee (Brown): 2013-2014.
- Member, Committee on Guaranteed Tuition Plan: 2013.
- Member, Interview teams, Vice President for Advancement and UNT Dallas Foundation President search, 2013.
- Member, Interview Team, Dean of Nursing , 2015.
- Member, System IT Governance and Student Success Advisory Group, 2014-2015.
- Member, Faculty Alliance Academic Affairs Committee, 2015-2016.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE – POLITICAL SCIENCE

- Editorial board member: *Electoral Studies*, 2016.
- 18 double-blind peer reviews of journal submissions for seven highly ranked international journals: *American Journal of Political Science*, 2007; *British Journal of Political Science*, 2016; *Electoral Studies*, (9) 2010-2016; *European Journal of Political Research*, 2013, 2016; *Political Behavior*, 2012; *Politics & Policy*, (3): 2013-2016; *Political Research Quarterly*, 2006.
- One peer grant review of a political science proposal for the Czech Science Foundation, Czech Republic, 2015.
- Four peer reviews for publisher W.W. Norton of chapters in texts: *The American Political System (2d ed.)* by Ken Kollman, and *Governing Texas* by Anthony Champagne and Edward Harpham. 2015.

PUBLIC AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Citizens Advisory Group for the Texas Web Presence, Texas Department of Information Resources, 1999.
- Regional director and member of the national board of directors. Society of Professional Journalists, 1993-95.
- Executive committee, Texas Media: A First Amendment and Freedom of Information Coalition, 1991-1995.
- Director and SPJ representative, Texas Media: A First Amendment and Freedom of Information Coalition, 1991-1995.
- Deputy director for FoI issues – Texas and Oklahoma, Society of Professional Journalists, 1990-95.
- President, Austin professional chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists, 1992.
- Board member, Austin professional chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists, 1989-1993.

ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS

- American Political Science Association, member, 2004-2008, 2010.
 Section memberships: Political Methodology
 Elections, Public Opinion and Voting Behavior
 Political Psychology
 Political Communication
- Midwest Political Science Association, member, 2008-2010, 2015-2016.
- Southern Political Science Association, member, 2009, 2012, 2014.
- Northeastern Political Science Association, member, 2011-2012.
- Pi Sigma Alpha political science honor society, 2006-08.
- Society of Professional Journalists, 1978-2002.

OTHER GRADUATE EDUCATION

University of Texas at Austin: 27 graduate hours in communications. 1978-80.

Georgetown University: 9 graduate hours in international relations and foreign policy. 1975, 1977.

Cornell University: 4 graduate hours in political history. 1976.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Analysis and commentary on judicial affairs and open government issues published in *The Wall Street Journal (Texas Journal)*, *The Dallas Morning News*, *Houston Chronicle*, *San Antonio Express-News* and other newspapers. 1997-2000.

Bloc voting studies of the Texas Supreme Court published in *Texas Lawyer* (1990-96) and distributed by Texas Watch (1997-99), becoming the subject of numerous articles and commentaries published in the *The Dallas Morning News*, *San Antonio Express-News*, *Houston Chronicle*, *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* and other newspapers.

Served as chief analyst and lead writer for the first and only comprehensive analysis of lawyer and law firm contributions in a Texas Supreme Court election cycle (six contested races, primary and general elections), 1988.

News and analysis articles published in *Texas Medicine* (medical association journal), *Fiscal Notes* (Texas Comptroller's economic newsletter), *Texas Lawyer* (trade journal/newspaper for lawyers), and *The Dallas Morning News* (general circulation daily newspaper), between 1982 and 1997.

Notable projects and articles include the interviews with former German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt (his first interview after he left office) and former presidential chief of staff Alexander Haig, and freelance reporting in the Soviet Union on the plight and politics of Soviet Jews and refuseniks.

OTHER EMPLOYMENT

- Associate Editor, *Texas Medicine*. Texas Medical Association, 2000-04.
- Writer, *Fiscal Notes*. Texas Comptroller's Office, 1999-2000.
- Court Watch Director. Texas Watch, 1997-1999.
- Senior Reporter, *Texas Lawyer*. American Lawyer Media, 1986-97.
- Reporter, *The Dallas Morning News*, 1982-86.
- Reporter, *Fremont (Neb.) Tribune*, 1981-82.
- Reporter, *Beeville (Tx.) Bee-Picayune*, 1980-81.
- Associate Editor, *The News Media and the Law*. The Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press. 1980.

OTHER INVITED LECTURES

- Capital Area Trial Lawyers: The political roots of Texas Supreme Court decisions, 2000.
- Houston Bar Association litigation section: Panelist, The Texas Supreme Court and Precedent, 1997.
- Austin Inns of Court: Panelist, Lawyers talking to the press, 1997.
- Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ) National Writing Workshop: Niche journalism, 1996.
- SPJ national and regional conventions: Moderator and panelist, open government panels, 1990-1996.
- Freedom Of Information Foundation of Texas: Panelist, Texas FoI legislation and judicial open records, 1993-95.
- American Bar Association Pro Bono Conference: Panelist, Getting publicity for pro bono projects, 1994.
- University of Houston First Amendment Conference, roundtable discussion leader, 1994.
- University of Texas Law School: Seminar speaker on judicial personality, private lives and the impact on judicial decisions, 1994.
- Houston Bar Association/Houston SPJ Media Law Conference: Moderator, panel on Texas Freedom of Information legislation, 1994.
- Southwest Texas State University: Journalism ethics and the newsroom, 1993.
- Texas Judicial Conference: The impact of electoral judicial politics on decisions, 1992.
- Southwestern Journalism Congress: Student press freedom of information issues, 1990.
- Junior Statesman Summer School: The Supreme Court of Texas, 1991.

HONORS

- Journalist of the Year, American Board of Trial Advocates (Texas Chapter), 1998, for body of work on judicial politics and Texas Supreme Court decision-making.
- Katie – best news article in Texas in newspapers under 100,000 circulation, Dallas Press Club, 1990. “Passing the Buck in Ethics Enforcement,” *Texas Lawyer*.
- Sports writing award – 2nd place, The Associated Press – Nebraska, 1982.
- Spot news writing award – 2nd place, Nebraska Press Association, 1982.
- Best feature article, South Texas Press Association, 1981.
- Graduate Scholarship, University of Texas at Dallas, 2004-2008.
- Emmit Martin Walter Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin, 1978-1980.
- Elis Olsson - Chesapeake Foundation National Merit Scholarship, 1971-75.
- University Scholarship, Cornell University, 1971-72.