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WORK

George Mason University School of Law
Assistant Professor (July 2006 – present)

Office of FEC Commissioner Bradley A. Smith
Chief of Staff and Counsel (January 2003 – May 2005)

Bell, McAndrews, Hiltachk & Davidian
Of Counsel (October 1999 – November 2002)
Clients include the California Republican Party, corporate PACs, officeholders, candidates, and political committees.

National Republican Congressional Committee
Legal Counsel (April 1999 - July 1999)
Provided general legal services to national party committee and Members of Congress, including advice on election law, ethics, employment law, and contractual relationships.

Wiley, Rein & Fielding
Attorney (October 1995 - January 1997; April 1997 - April 1999)
Member of the Election Law and Government Ethics practice group.

United States Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs: Special Investigation
Counsel (January 1997 - April 1997)
Advised campaign finance investigation on election law and related matters.

Judge Danny J. Boggs
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, Louisville, Kentucky
Judicial Clerk (August 1994 - August 1995)

Political Economy Research Center, Bozeman, Montana
Fellow (May 1993 - August 1993)
Wrote articles exploring legal aspects of market-based environmentalism.

Nielsen, Merksamer, Parrinello, Mueller and Naylor, Sacramento, California
Law Clerk, Political and Government Law Sections (June 1992 - August 1992)

Before attending law school, I held a variety of political and legislative staff positions in California.

SCHOOLING

University of California, Davis School of Law

J.D. 1994

Class Rank: Top 5%; Order of the Coif

Senior Articles Editor, U.C. Davis Law Review

Senior Articles Editor, Symposium, Harvard Journal of Law and Public Policy

Recipient, Patrick J. Hopkins Award for Best Student Note or Comment (1994)

Stanford University

B.A., Political Science and Economics, 1985

PUBLICATIONS

Books, Journals, Law Reviews and Legal Publications

Teach Yourself E-Politics Today: Using the Internet to Participate in Politics and Interact with Your Government (Sams Publishing, 2000).

Encyclopedia of the First Amendment, contributor, CQ Press (forthcoming 2007).

Arizona's Clean Elections Experiment, *Goldwater Institute Reports* (2006).

Rethinking Campaign Finance Prohibitions, 6 *Engage* 62 (2005).

Don't Shoot the Messenger: The FEC, 527 Groups, and the Scope of Administrative Authority, 4 *Election Law Journal* 82 (2005).

Drafting *Buckley v. Valeo*: The Court, Liberty, and Politics, *Federalist Society White Paper* (2003).

The War on Terrorism and the Commander in Chief Clause: Delegation of the President's Command Authority (with Daniel Kelly and Michael Williams), *Federalist Society National Security White Papers* (2002).

When is an Advertisement about Issues an Issues Ad?, 49 *Catholic University Law Review* 63 (1999).

Registration and Reporting Under the Lobbying Disclosure Act (in *Political Activity, Lobbying Laws and Gift Rule Guide*, Glasser Legal Works, 1999).

Collective Security and the Constitution: Can the Commander in Chief Power be Delegated to the United Nations? (with Michael J. Glennon), 82 *Georgetown Law Journal* 1573 (1994).

Common Law Remedies and the UST Regulations, 21 *Boston College Environmental Affairs Law Review* 619 (1994), cited in *Larson v. United Capitol Ins. Co.*, 64 F. 3d 1010 (6th Cir. 1995).

Stalking the Elusive Express Advocacy Standard, 10 *Journal of Law & Politics* 51 (1993).

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Magazine and Newspaper Articles

No Need for Political Funds, *Hartford Courant*, March 21, 2006.

Staying in Vegas, *The Weekly Standard*, December 5, 2005.

Media Lawyer Opens Up (Review of “*Speaking Freely*” by Floyd Abrams), *Washington Examiner*, April 17, 2005.

Vote or Else: A Modest Proposal for Curing Election Fraud, *The Weekly Standard*, March 21, 2005.

Boomerang! Republicans Should Not Try to Beat Democrats at Their Own Campaign Finance Game (with Bradley Smith), *National Review*, May 3, 2004.

Who Wants To Face A Millionaire? Ashbrook Center Editorial, February 2002.

Speaking Fees: It’s *Forbes* v. Forbes at the FEC, *Reason*, November 1998.

Good-Will Hunting (Review of *The Appearance of Impropriety* by Glenn Reynolds), *Reason*, March 1998.

Do It Virginia’s Way (with Jan Witold Baran) *The Weekly Standard*, February 23, 1998.

Gagging on Political Reform (with Steven F. Hayward), *Reason*, October 1996.

Revenge of the Rodhamite Village People (Review of “*It Takes a Village*” by Hillary R. Clinton), *On Principle* (April 1996).

Junking the Law (re: *Daubert v. Merrell Dow*), *San Francisco Recorder*, July 20, 1993.

Online Features

www.skepticseye.com, a blog discussing campaign finance and related issues.

System Failure: Congress Should Have Passed the Online Freedom of Speech Act, (*National Review Online* Guest Comment, November 4, 2005).

Cutting on the Bias: Do We Really Need All This FEC Regulation? *Personal Democracy Forum*, August 17, 2005

It’s Getting Hot (Headed) in Here: The FEC’s Internet Summer, *Personal Democracy Forum*, July 14, 2005.

Correcting the Election Reporters, (*National Review Online* Guest Comment, March 16, 2004).

Greta, Sharon O. and Me, (*National Review Online* Guest Comment, September 5, 2003).

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Harry Potter and the Magic Campaign, (*National Review Online* Guest Comment, August 11, 2003).

Practical Politics 101: Instructor, the *Buckley Court*, (*National Review Online* Guest Comment January 21, 2003).

The Play, C'est Moi (*National Review Online* Guest Comment, November 22, 2002).

Torch Burns Out, (*National Review Online* Guest Comment, October 1, 2002).

Passing the Torch (Robert Torricelli), (*National Review Online* Guest Comment, September 30, 2002).

A Speech Mess, (*National Review Online* Guest Comment, September 24, 2002).

Why are Reformers Ballistic About FEC Rules? (*National Review Online* Guest Comment, July 2, 2002).

McCain & Feingold, AWOL, (*National Review Online* Guest Comment, June 4, 2002).

The Fog of Money: The Media Blows the Enron Story (*National Review Online* Guest Comment, January 29, 2002).

McFein Strikes (Out) Again (*National Review Online* Guest Comment, January 24, 2001).

2001: A Campaign Reform Odyssey, (*National Review Online* Guest Comment, December 19, 2000).

Speaking Engagements & Conferences

Presenter, "Arizona's Clean Elections Experiment," Goldwater Institute, Phoenix, Arizona (March 29, 2006).

Panelist, "Politics, Money and Free Speech: Is Connecticut's Campaign Finance Law the Right Approach?" Hartford, Connecticut Lawyer's Chapter of the Federalist Society (March 23, 2006).

Panelist, "Blogs and the FEC," University of Virginia Federalist Society (September 21, 2005).

Ethics Instructor, Summer Election Law Seminar and School, Republican National Lawyers Association (August, 2005).

Panelist, The Business of Politics Conference, Thurnau, Germany, sponsored by the Council on Public Policy (May 19-21, 2005).

Moderator, "Debating Deregulation of Campaign Finance," National Press Club, (October 14, 2004) (featuring Stuart Taylor, Michael Malbin, Craig Engle and Craig Holman).

Speaker, Northwestern School of Law Federalist Society (December 2003).

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Panelist, California Campaign Finance Law, California State Bar Convention (September 2001).

BAR MEMBERSHIPS

State Bar of California, 172177
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