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### EDUCATION

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#### YALE UNIVERSITY

Ph.D. in History, December 2008

Dissertation, "Saving Segregation: Southern Whites, Civil Rights, and the Roots of Massive Resistance, 1936-1954"

M.A., M.Phil in History, May 2006

#### DUKE UNIVERSITY

A.B. in History, with Distinction, 2001

### RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

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African American History; History of the American South; History of the United States Since Reconstruction; Violence and Extremism; Historical Memory

### SCHOLARSHIP

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### PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

#### Books

*Hanging Bridge: Racial Violence and America's Civil Rights Century*. New York: Oxford University Press. New York: Oxford University Press, 2016.

Winner, Nonfiction Prize, Mississippi Institute of Arts and Letters, 2017

Winner, McLemore Prize, Mississippi Historical Society, 2017

*Defending White Democracy: The Making of a Segregationist Movement and the Remaking of Racial Politics, 1936-1965*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2011.

#### Chapters in Edited Volumes

"Racial Violence in the United States since the Civil War." In *Cambridge World History of Violence*, vol. 4, edited by Louise Edwards, Nigel Penn, and Jay Winter. Cambridge University Press (forthcoming 2019)

"Causes Lost and Found: Re-Fighting Reconstruction in the Roosevelt Era." In *Remembering Reconstruction: Struggles Over the Meaning of America's Most Tumultuous Era*, edited by Bruce E. Baker and Carole Emberton. Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 2017: 35-57.

"A Monument to Judge Lynch': Racial Violence, Symbolic Death, and Black Resistance in Jim Crow Mississippi." In *Death in the American South*, edited by Craig Friend and Lorri Glover.

New York: Cambridge University Press, 2014: 229-49.

"Negroes, the New Deal, and...Karl Marx': Southern Antistatistism in Depression and War." In *Nation Within a Nation: The American South and the Federal Government*, edited by Glenn Feldman. Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 2014: 102-21.

"A War for States' Rights': The White Supremacist Vision of Double Victory." In *Fog of War: The Second World War and the Civil Rights Movement*, edited by Kevin M. Kruse and Stephen G. N. Tuck. New York: Oxford University Press, 2012: 126-44.

### Journal Articles

"The 1956 D.C. School Hearings and the National Vision of Massive Resistance," *Journal of Civil and Human Rights* 1 (Spring/Summer 2015): 82-110.

"A Richmond Institution': Earnest Sevier Cox, Racial Propaganda, and Organized Opposition to the Civil Rights Movement." *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography* 116 (September 2008): 262-93.

"Nazis Hoe Cotton': Planters, POWs, and the Future of Farm Labor in the Deep South." *Agricultural History* 81 (Fall 2007): 471-92.

Winner, Everett E. Edwards Award, Agricultural History Society, 2007

"No Jap Crow': Japanese Americans Encounter the World War II South." *Journal of Southern History* 73 (February 2007): 75-104.

### Scholarly Introduction to Book Reissue

"Introduction to the New Edition," *Mississippi Black Paper* (first published 1965 by Random House). Civil Rights in Mississippi Series. Jackson: University Press of Mississippi, 2017: vii-xxvii.

### NON PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

#### Commentary in National Media

"Add This to the Courthouse Lawn: A Memorial to Lynching", *Los Angeles Times*, April 22, 2018

"The Myth of Southern Blood," *Washington Post*, August 21, 2017

"Dylann Roof and the White Fear of a Black Takeover," *Los Angeles Times*, June 19, 2015

"Southern 'Hanging Bridge': A Monument to Judge Lynch," *Los Angeles Times*, February 22, 2015

"Lynching, Murder, and the Judge," *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, February 20, 2015

#### Solicited Essays

"The Cause Was Never Lost," *The American Historian*, no. 6 (November 2015): 24-6.

"Walter F. White's 'U.S. Department of (White) Justice.'" In *Milestone Documents in African American History*, vol. 3, edited by Paul Finkelman. Dallas: Schlager Group, 2010: 1128-35.

#### Book Reviews

Kim Lacy Rogers, *Life and Death in the Delta: African American Narratives of Violence, Resilience, and Social Change* (New York: Palgrave MacMillan, 2006) in *Oral History Review* (December 2016): 227-8.

- Glenn Feldman, *The Great Melding: War, the Dixiecrat Rebellion, and the Southern Model for America's New Conservatism* (Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, 2015) in *American Historical Review* 121 (October 2016): 1315-6.
- Ted Ownby, ed., *The Civil Rights Movement in Mississippi* (Jackson: University Press of Mississippi, 2013) in *Journal of American History* 101 (September 2014): 647.
- Akinyele Omowale Umoja, *We Will Shoot Back: Armed Resistance in the Mississippi Freedom Movement* (New York: New York University Press, 2013) in *Reviews in American History* 42 (June 2014): 341-5.
- Brett Gadsden, *Between North and South: Delaware, Desegregation, and the Myth of American Sectionalism* (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2013) in *American Historical Review* 118 (December 2013): 1556-7.
- Joseph Crespino, *Strom Thurmond's America* (New York: Hill and Wang, 2012) in *South Carolina Historical Magazine* 114 (January 2013): 59-60.
- Chris Danielson, *After Freedom Summer: How Race Realigned Mississippi Politics, 1965-1986* (Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 2011) in *Journal of American Studies* 47 (February 2013): 291-2.
- Glenn Feldman, ed., *Painting Dixie Red: When, Where, Why, and How the South Became Republican* (Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 2011) in *Journal of Southern History* 79 (February 2013): 221-3.
- Tim S. R. Boyd, *Georgia Democrats, the Civil Rights Movement, and the Shaping of the New South* (Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 2012) in *Journal of American History* 99 (September 2012): 656-7.
- Timothy J. Minchin and John A. Salmond, *After the Dream: Black and White Southerners Since 1965* (Lexington: University Press of Kentucky, 2011) in *Georgia Historical Quarterly* 95 (Summer 2012): 275-8.
- John Howard, *Concentration Camps on the Home Front: Japanese Americans in the House of Jim Crow* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2008) in *Journal of Southern History* 76 (February 2010): 197-9.
- Paul Lombardo, *Three Generations, No Imbeciles: Eugenics, the Supreme Court, and Buck v. Bell* (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2008), and Michael Dorr, *Segregation's Science: Eugenics and Society in Virginia* (Charlottesville: University of Virginia Press, 2008) in *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography* 117 (2009): 302-4.

## PRESENTATIONS

### Invited Talks

- "Racial Violence, Migration, and Mississippi's Hanging Bridge," Oregon Historical Society, Portland, Oregon, April 13, 2018.
- "The Swastika Entwined With Magnolia Blossoms: A Jewish Journalist Investigates Lynchings in the Wartime South," Holocaust Memorial Week, Oregon State University, Corvallis, April 12, 2018.

- "Monuments to Judge Lynch: Race, Memory, and the Violence of White Supremacy," Drexel University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, January 18, 2018.
- "Lifting the Veil: A Southern White Woman Goes Undercover in Jim Crow Mississippi," Summersell Center for the Study of the South, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, October 12, 2017.
- "Migration, Civil Rights, and Mississippi's Hanging Bridge," Rapp Road Historical Association, Albany, New York, July 19, 2017.
- "The First Federal Lynching Investigation in Mississippi History: Why It Failed and What It Can Teach Us," Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, June 5, 2017.
- "Hanging Bridge: Lessons in Testimony, Investigation, and Coalition," Banquet Keynote, Mississippi Historical Society, March 3, 2017.
- "The Violence of Voter Suppression," Mississippi Freedom Project, Samuel Proctor Oral History Program-University of Florida, Delta State University, Cleveland, Mississippi, September 8, 2016.
- "Racial Politics in Mississippi during World War II." History Is Lunch, Mississippi Department of Archives and History, Jackson, Mississippi, February 6, 2013.
- "Mississippi, Manhattan, and the Racial Politics of World War II," Academic Lecture Series, St. John's University, Queens, New York, April 13, 2012.
- "Racial Violence and Symbolic Death at Mississippi's Hanging Bridge," Colloquium in History and Culture, Drew University, Madison, New Jersey, April 12, 2012.
- "Memory and the Making of a Segregationist Movement," Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance, and Abolition, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, April 11, 2012.
- "Wanting the World to See: Mississippi's Hanging Bridge and the Wartime Politics of Racial Violence," Civil Rights and Restorative Justice Project, Northeastern University School of Law, Boston, Massachusetts, April 10, 2012.
- "Mississippi's Hanging Bridge and the Racial Politics of World War II," Millsaps Friday Forum, Millsaps College, Jackson, Mississippi, February 24, 2012.
- "Your County Could Be Next: Recovering the Deep South's Freedom Struggle," 2011 Black Belt Symposium, University of West Alabama, Livingston, Alabama, April 7, 2011.
- "Generational Narrative and the Civil Rights Century: The Case of Mississippi's Hanging Bridge," Triangle African American History Colloquium, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, January 28, 2011.

### **Conference Participation**

- "The Black Vote: Unraveling the History of an American Idea," A Celebration of Glenda Gilmore and Her Legacy, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, April 20, 2018.
- "When the Lynch Rope Fails, There Is Always the Draft': Racial Violence, Activist Families, and Grassroots Resistance in the Vietnam Era," Annual Meeting of the American Studies Association, Denver, Colorado, November 19, 2016.
- "There is a Revolution in Mississippi Today': Black Women, Federal Dollars, and White Backlash in the Civil Rights Era," Annual Meeting of the Mississippi Historical Society, Jackson, Mississippi, March 4, 2016.

- "Fifty Years since Lester Maddox: Georgia's Massive Resistance to the New Right." Panelist, Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, Atlanta, Georgia, January 10, 2016.
- "The Mississippi Welfare League and the Origins of Racial Troubleshooting." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Organization of American Historians, St. Louis, Missouri, April 17, 2015.
- "The Coming of Age: Race, Youth, and Politics in the Twentieth Century South." Panel Commentator, Annual Meeting of the Southern Historical Association, Atlanta, Georgia, November 14, 2014.
- "I Would Be Just Like the KKK Over There': Racial Violence, Draft Resistance, and the Mississippi Freedom Struggle." Paper presented at the Annual Convention of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History, Memphis, Tennessee, September 25, 2014.
- "Hunger and Poverty Politics in Mississippi's Ongoing Freedom Struggle." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Agricultural History Society, Banff, Alberta, Canada, June 15, 2013.
- "Contesting Planter Law: Black Activism in Arkansas." Panel Chair and Commentator, Southern Labor Studies Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, March 9, 2013.
- "A 'Southern City' No More: White Supremacists, Civil Rights Activists, and D.C. Segregation, 1944-1956." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 5, 2013.
- "Power, Poverty, and Peace: Mississippi's Grassroots Militants and the Summer of '66." Paper presented at The Fire Every Time: Reframing Black Power across the Twentieth Century and Beyond, Avery Research Center, College of Charleston, South Carolina, September 21, 2012.
- "The FEPC and the Making of a Segregationist Movement." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Historical Association, Baltimore, Maryland, October 30, 2011.
- "For Revolution's Sake': Grassroots Militancy, White Resistance, and the Meaning of Freedom in Rural Mississippi." Paper presented at the San Francisco State University Rights Conference, San Francisco, California, September 16, 2011.
- "Racial Capitalism, Free Enterprise, and the Political Economy of Massive Resistance," Paper presented at the Southern Industrialization Project Meeting, University of Southern Mississippi-Gulf Park Campus, Long Beach, Mississippi, June 5, 2011.
- "A Monument to Judge Lynch': Symbolic Death and Racial Resistance at Mississippi's Hanging Bridge." Paper presented at Dying, Mourning, and Memory in the American South: An Interdisciplinary Conference, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, North Carolina, April 1, 2011.
- "Caught Between Two Wars: Poverty Politics, Draft Resistance, and a Mississippi Family's Freedom Struggle." Paper presented at A Centennial Celebration of Civil Rights, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, October 23, 2010.
- "The District of Columbia as a Segregationist Battleground, 1944-1963." Paper presented at the San Francisco State University Rights Conference, San Francisco, California, September 16, 2010.
- "The Grass Roots Problem: Elites, Everyday Southerners, and White Opposition to Civil Rights." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Organization of American Historians,

Seattle, Washington, March 27, 2009.

“The 1942 Shubuta Lynchings and the White South’s ‘Double V’.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Historical Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, October 11, 2008.

“Archibald Rutledge’s ‘Negro Problem’: Plantation Nostalgia and Civil Rights in the South Carolina Lowcountry.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the South Carolina Historical Association, Columbia, South Carolina, March 1, 2008.

“Nazis Hoe Cotton’: Planters, POWs, and the Future of Farm Labor in the Deep South.” Paper presented at World War II: After 60 Years, Siena College, Loudonville, New York, June 3, 2005.

## TEACHING

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### MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY

#### Undergraduate Courses Taught

HI 1073: Modern U.S. History (introductory survey course)

Taught: Spring 2009, Fall 2009, Fall 2010, Fall 2011, Fall 2015, Fall 2016

HI 3343: Delta History Service & Experiential Spring Break\*

Taught: Spring 2012, Spring 2013, Spring 2015, Spring 2016, Spring 2018

\* developed course, approved as permanent course listing Fall 2013

HI 3903: Historiography and Historical Methods (capstone course for history majors)

Taught: Fall 2008, Spring 2011

HI 4163: The United States, 1917-1945

Taught: Spring 2009\*\*, Fall 2012, Spring 2015

\*\* taught in Spring 2009 as split-level course with graduate students enrolled

HI 4173: The United States Since 1945

Taught: Fall 2008\*\*, Fall 2010, Fall 2012, Fall 2015

\*\*taught Fall 2008 as a split-level course with graduate students enrolled

HI 4493: Terrorism in America, 1865-2001\*

Taught: Spring 2011\*\*, Spring 2012, Fall 2014, Spring 2017

\* developed course, approved as permanent course listing Fall 2010

\*\* taught Spring 2011 as a split-level course with graduate students enrolled

#### Graduate Courses Taught

HI 8803: Graduate Colloquium: Violence in American History\*

Taught: Spring 2016, Fall 2017

\* developed course

HI 8823: Seminar in US History Since 1877\*

Taught: Spring 2009, Spring 2012\*\*

\* developed course (version offered in Spring 2012)

\*\* taught in Spring 2012 as research seminar in oral history theory and practice

HI 8963: Colloquium in United States History Since 1945

Taught: Fall 2010, Spring 2013, Fall 2014, Spring 2017, Spring 2018

**COURSES TAUGHT AT OTHER INSTITUTIONS****University of Pennsylvania**

HIST 231/AFRC 229: Racial Violence in Modern America (advanced undergraduate seminar)

Taught: Spring 2014

**Yale University**

HIST 449b: Mississippi and America (advanced undergraduate seminar)

Taught: Spring 2008

**TEACHING AWARDS**

William E. Parrish Outstanding Teaching Award, Department of History, Mississippi State University, 2013

**ADVISING AND COMMITTEE SERVICE****Dissertations Directed**

Michael Murphy, "Inhospitable in the Hospitality State: The Mississippi State Hospital in the Jim Crow South, 1865-1966" (2018)

Kevin Boland Johnson, "Guardians of Historical Knowledge: Textbook Politics, Conservative Activism, and School Reform in Mississippi, 1928-1982" (2014)\*

\* awarded Spencer Foundation Dissertation Fellowship for Academic Year 2013-14

**Additional Graduate Advising and Committee Service**

Dissertation Committees: 5

Doctoral Comprehensive Exam Committees: 9

Master's Students (Thesis/Non-Thesis) Advised: 5

Additional Master's (Thesis/Non-Thesis) Committees: 9

**FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS**

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**EXTERNAL**

Nonfiction Prize, Mississippi Institute of Arts and Letters, 2017

McLemore Prize (best book related to Mississippi history), Mississippi Historical Society, 2017

Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship, Penn Humanities Forum, University of Pennsylvania, 2013-14

Sole runner-up, Allan Nevins Prize, Society of American Historians, 2009

Finalist, C. Vann Woodward Dissertation Prize, Southern Historical Association, 2009

Everett E. Edwards Award (best graduate student article), Agricultural History Society, 2007

Ellison Durant Smith Research Award, Caroliniana Library, University of South Carolina, 2007

Travel and Research Grant, Institute for Southern Studies, University of South Carolina, 2007

Joel Williamson Visiting Scholar Grant, Southern Historical Collection, University of North

Carolina at Chapel Hill, 2007

### **INTERNAL**

University Nominee, Carnegie Corporation of America Fellows Program, 2016, 2017  
 Dean's Eminent Scholar, College of Arts and Sciences, Mississippi State University, 2016  
 William E. Parrish Outstanding Teaching Award, Department of History, Mississippi State University, 2013  
 Carolyn S. Cobb Faculty Award for Excellence in Research, Teaching, and Service, Mississippi State University, 2011  
 Humanities and Arts Research Program Fellow, College of Arts and Sciences, Mississippi State University, 2010  
 Will Clark-State Pride Faculty Award for Excellence in Research, Teaching, and Service, Mississippi State University, 2010  
 Ethnic Studies Affiliate, Program on Ethnicity, Race, and Migration, Yale University, 2006  
 Hugh T. Lefler Award, Historical Society of North Carolina, best undergraduate paper, 2001  
 William Laprade Prize, Department of History, Duke University, best honors thesis, 2001

### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

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#### **MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY**

Professor of History, Mississippi State University, Fall 2017-Present  
 Associate Professor of History, Mississippi State University, Fall 2013-Spring 2017  
 Assistant Professor of History, Mississippi State University, Fall 2008-Spring 2013

#### **UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA**

Mellon Fellow, Penn Humanities Forum, University of Pennsylvania, Fall 2013-Spring 2014

#### **YALE UNIVERSITY**

Part-Time Acting Instructor, Spring 2008.

### **ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

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#### **TO THE PROFESSION**

Member, Committee on Committees, Organization of American Historians, May 2018-present  
 Member, Membership Committee, Southern Historical Association, May 2018-present  
 External Reviewer for Syracuse University, Millsaps College, University of Texas-Rio Grande Valley  
 Manuscript Referee and book endorsements for The Kent State University Press, Oxford University Press, University of Arkansas Press, University of Georgia Press, University of Nebraska Press, University of North Carolina Press, University Press of Mississippi  
 Article Referee for *Journal of Southern History*, *Modern American History*, *Journal of Civil and Human Rights*, *Journal of American Studies*, *Southern Spaces*, *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*  
 Faculty Collaborator, Civil Rights and Restorative Justice Project, Northeastern University School



of Law, Boston, Massachusetts, Spring 2012-present

**TO MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY**

Faculty Associate, Center for the History of Agriculture, Science, and the Environment of the South (CHASES), Mississippi State University, Fall 2012-Spring 2018

Co-Creator, Course Designer, and History Department Coordinator, Delta Alternative Spring Break Program, Spring 2012-Spring 2018

Member, Teaching Evaluation Committee, Mississippi State University, Fall 2014-Spring 2017

Member, Curriculum Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, Mississippi State University, Fall 2010-Spring 2013

Chair, Promotion and Tenure Committee, Department of History, Mississippi State University, Fall 2017-Spring 2018

Modern United States History Common Examiner, History Department, Mississippi State University, Fall 2014-Spring 2015

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Historical Association

Organization of American Historians

Southern Historical Association

Association for the Study of African American Life and History

American Studies Association