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EMPLOYMENT

- 2016 – John Brown University
Associate Professor of Political Science, 2019 –
Assistant Director, Center for Faith and Flourishing, 2019 –
Assistant Professor of Political Science, 2016-19
- 2014-16 Eastern Kentucky University
Assistant Professor of Government
- 2013-14 University of Washington-Tacoma
Lecturer in Political Science

EDUCATION

- 2013 Ph.D., Political Science, Southern Illinois University
- 2008 B.A., Political Science, George Fox University

RESEARCH

Book

- 2017 Bennett, Daniel. *Defending Faith: The Politics of the Christian Conservative Legal Movement*. Lawrence: University Press of Kansas
*Reviewed in *Perspectives on Politics, Politics and Religion, Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion, Journal of Church and State, Great Plains Research, and Reading Religion*

Articles & Book Chapters

- 2020 Bennett, Daniel. "Toward a Better Christian Political Engagement: Acknowledging Challenges, Recognizing Opportunities." In *Visions for Christian Public Life: Exploring Christian Engagement in Contemporary American Politics and Society*. Initiative on Faith & Public Life, American Enterprise Institute. 3-18
- 2018 Bennett, Daniel. "A Match Made in Heaven? Linking Christian Legal Advocacy with Conservative Politics." In *The Evangelical Crackup? The Future of the Evangelical-Republican Coalition*. Paul A. Djupe and Ryan L. Claassen, eds. Philadelphia: Temple University Press. 222-239

- 2015 Habel, Philip, Daniel Bennett, Shane Gleason, and Scott Comparato. "The Implications of Salary for the Quality of Nominations to the Federal Courts, 1964-2012." *Justice System Journal* 36 (4): 323-340
- 2014 Bennett, Daniel. "Serving God by Shaping Law: Religious Legal Advocacy in the United States." In *Mediating Religion and Government: Political Institutions and the Policy Process*. Elizabeth Oldmixon and Kevin den Dulk, eds. New York: Palgrave Macmillan. 83-108
- 2013 Mulligan, Ken, J. Tobin Grant, and Daniel Bennett. "The Dynamics of Public Opinion on Cultural Policy Issues in the U.S., 1972-2010." *Political Behavior* 35 (4): 807-829

Book Reviews

- 2018 *When Free Exercise and Nonestablishment Conflict*, by Kent Greenawalt. *Politics and Religion* 11 (3): 701-704
- 2016 *Ideas with Consequences: The Federalist Society and the Conservative Counterrevolution*, by Amanda Hollis-Brusky. *Political Science Quarterly* 131 (1): 187-188
- 2015 *The Politics of Evangelical Identity: Local Churches and Partisan Divides in the United States and Canada*, by Lydia Bean. *Journal of Church and State* 57 (3): 590-591
- 2014 *An Unusual Relationship: Evangelical Christians and Jews*, by Yaakov Ariel. *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 53 (1): 221-223
- 2012 *Honoring God in Red or Blue: Approaching Politics with Grace, Humility, and Reason*, by Amy Black. *Christians in Political Science* 4 (2): 2

WORK IN PROGRESS

Lewis, Andrew R. and Daniel Bennett. "Religious Freedom and the Coronavirus Pandemic." Book chapter in progress

Strother, Logan and Daniel Bennett. "The Group Foundations of Public Attitudes toward Fundamental Rights and Tolerance in the United States." Articles in progress

Bennett, Daniel. "Freedom for All? Defining Religious Liberty in Conservative Legal Advocacy." Article in progress

Bennett, Daniel. *Uneasy Citizenship: Embracing the Tension in Faith in Politics*. Manuscript in progress

RECENT PRESENTATIONS

- 2020 Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Pittsburgh, PA
American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA

- Christians in Political Science, Lakewood, CO (meeting canceled)
 Law and Society Association, Denver, CO (meeting canceled)
 Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL (meeting canceled)
 Initiative on Faith & Public Life, Houston, TX
- 2019 Presidential Politics Conference of Iowa, Sioux Center, IA
 Law and Society Association, Washington, DC
 Henry Symposium on Religion and Public Life, Grand Rapids, MI
 Western Political Science Association, San Diego, CA
- 2018 Christians in Political Science, Lookout Mountain, GA
- 2017 Law and Society Association, Mexico City, Mexico
 Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, BC, Canada
- COMMENTARY**
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- 2020 “Are Nationalism and Populism the Cure for What Ails the West?” *Christianity Today*
 “Who is Jay Sekulow, President Trump’s Lawyer?” *Religion and Politics*
- 2019 “How Christians Can Prepare for the 2020 Election.” *The Gospel Coalition*
 “Which Americans support the Second Amendment? The answer depends on whether whites or blacks have the guns.” *The Washington Post* (with Logan Strother)
- 2018 “Brett Kavanaugh, Christian conservatives, and the Art of the Deal.” *Religion and Politics*
 “Go Talk with Those Who are Rumored to be Unlike You.” *Front Porch Republic*
- 2017 “These are the conservative legal groups behind the Masterpiece Cakeshop case.” *The Washington Post*
 “Masterpiece Cakeshop: Meet the Christian Legal Group Behind the High-Profile Court Case.” *Religion and Politics*
- 2015 “The Rise of Christian Conservative Legal Organizations.” *Religion and Politics*
- Misc. Guest, KNWA and Fox 24 News
 March 3, 2020
 November 7, 2018
 Guest, “Mornings with Carmen Laberge”
 October 29, 2019
 October 2, 2019

September 20, 2019
 Guest, “The Ride Home with John and Kathy”
 September 18, 2019
 April 29, 2015

Guest, “The Neighborly Faith Podcast”
 July 21, 2019

Guest, Pilgrim Radio’s “His People”
 October 15, 2018

Guest, “Eastern Standard”
 September 12, 2015

Cited in the Associated Press, *Wall Street Journal*, *Washington Post*, *Huffington Post*,
Lexington Herald-Leader, *The Tennessean*, *Northwest Arkansas Democrat-Gazette*, *Orlando
 Sentinel*, *Deseret News*, *Newsweek*, *Salon*, and more

AWARDS & HONORS

2020-21 Research Grant, Charles Koch Foundation (\$23,500)

2019-21 Summer Scholars Fellowship, John Brown University (\$22,000)

2017-20 Summer Professional Development Grant, John Brown University (varies)

2018 Lee Balzer Lecture, John Brown University (\$500)

2015 Junior Faculty Summer Research Award, College of Arts and Sciences, Eastern
 Kentucky University (\$4,500)

 Early Career Workshop Grant, Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association,
 Seattle, WA (\$500)

2013 Graduate Student Workshop Grant, Annual Meeting of the Law and Society
 Association, Boston, MA (\$500)

2012 “Pass with Distinction” on Field Examinations, Southern Illinois University

SERVICE

John Brown University

2019 – Undergraduate Council
 Faculty Affairs Committee

2018 – Chair, Institutional Review Board
 Core Curriculum Committee

2017 – Campus Diversity Committee
Pre-Law Adviser

Discipline

2018 – President, Christians in Political Science

2017 – Founding Contributor, *Religion in Public*

2019 Chair, Kenneth D. Wald Award Committee, American Political Science Association

2018 Chair, Aaron Wildavsky Award Committee, American Political Science Association

2016-18 Vice President, Christians in Political Science

2016 Student Paper Prize Committee, Law and Society Association

Misc. Manuscript Referee

Cambridge University Press; Political Research Quarterly; Politics and Religion; Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion; Law and Society Review; Law and Social Inquiry; Journal of Law and Religion; Law, Culture, and Humanities; Communication and Society

Community

2019 – Deacon, Redeemer Presbyterian Church, Siloam Springs, Arkansas
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, City of Siloam Springs, Arkansas

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Political Science Association (Politics & Religion section)

Law and Society Association (Law & Social Movements network)

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion

Christians in Political Science

OTHER EXPERIENCE

2013 Mentor, Study of the U.S. Institute, Southern Illinois University

2011-12 Editorial Assistant, *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*

REFERENCES

J. Tobin Grant
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J. Strom Thurmond Professor of Political Science
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Mark D. Hall
Herbert Hoover Distinguished Professor of Politics
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James Bruce
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