

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Professional:

June 2012-Present	Congressional Fellow, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars
Oct., 2011-Present	Fellow, Bipartisan Policy Center
Oct., 2011-May, 2012	Contractor, Woodrow Wilson Center, Responsible for organizing programs on Congress
June, 1999-Sept., 2011	Director, The Congress Project, Woodrow Wilson Center
Feb., 1997- May, 1998	Public Policy Scholar, Woodrow Wilson Center
June., 1998-May, 1999	Guest Scholar, Woodrow Wilson Center
Jan., 1995-Jan., 1997	Chief-of-Staff, House Rules Committee (Hon. Gerald B. Solomon, Chairman)
Jan., 1991-Dec., 1994	Minority Chief-of-Staff, House Rules Committee (Solomon)
Jan., 1981-Dec., 1990	Minority Counsel, Subcommittee on Rules of the House (Hon. Trent Lott-1981-88; Hon. Lynn Martin-1989-90)
Jan., 1979-Dec. 1979	Minority Counsel, Subcommittee on Rules of the House, House Rules Committee (Hon. John B. Anderson, ranking minority member)
Jan., 1975-Dec., 1978	Associate Staff, Hon. John B. Anderson, House Rules Committee
Jan., 1969-Dec., 1978	Legislative Director, Hon. John B. Anderson
Dec., 1966-Dec. 1968	Peace Corps Volunteer, Dodoma, Tanzania, East Africa
Jan. 1965-Aug., 1966	New reporter and newscaster, KXIC radio, Iowa City Iowa

Education:

- Sept., 1960-June, 1964 North Central College, B.A. in English (1964)
- Sept., 1964-Aug., 1966 University of Iowa (successfully completed course work toward an M.A. in political science)

Books:

Changing Cultures in Congress: From Fair Play to Power Plays. Nov. 2018. Columbia University Press & Wilson Center Press. Author.

Congress and the People: Deliberative Democracy on Trial. 2000. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press & Wilson Center Press. Author.

Democracy and the Internet: Allies or Adversaries. 2002. Woodrow Wilson Center Press. Coauthor with Leslie David Simon and Javier Corrales.

Book Chapters:

“Changing House Rules: From Level Playing Field to Partisan Tilt,” in *Is Congress Broken: The Virtues and Defects of Partisanship and Gridlock.* 2017. William F. Connelly, Jr.; John J. Pitney, Jr.; and Gary J. Schmitt, editors. The Brookings Institution.

“Congress and Policymaking in an Age of Terrorism,” in *Congress Reconsidered,* Lawrence C. Dodd and Bruce I Oppenheimer, editors. 2005. Washington: CQ Press. Author.

“Can Congress Cope with IT? Deliberation and the Internet.” *Congress and the Internet.* 2002. James A. Thurber and Colton C. Campbell, editors. Prentice Hall.

Essays on “Rules, Special,” and “Rules Committee,” House. *Encyclopedia of the United States Congress.* 1995. Donald C. Bacon, Roger H. Davidson, and Morton Keller, editors. Simon & Shuster.

Journal Articles:

“Happy Together?” 2009. *The Wilson Quarterly.* Vol. XXXIII, No. 1.

“Pols Apart.” Autumn, 2004. *The Wilson Quarterly.* Vol. XXVIII, No. 4.

“The Return of the Imperial Presidency?” Spring, 2002. *The Wilson Quarterly.* Vol. XXVI, No. 2.

“Congress, the DH Factor, and Other Possibilities,” *Extension of Remarks* January, 2001. American Political Science Association’s Legislative Studies Section.

“The Institutional Legacy of Speaker Newt Gingrich: The Politics of House Reform and Realities of Governing,” *Extensions, A Journal of the Carl Albert Congressional Research and Studies Center*. Fall, 2000.

“The Decline of Deliberative Democracy in the House of Representatives and Proposals for Reform.” *Harvard Journal on Legislation*. Summer, 1994. Co-author with Hon. Gerald B.H. Solomon.

Papers:

- Term Limits, Impeachment and House Leadership: From the Gingrich Contract to the Pelosi Contrast, paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association,” Washington, D.C., August 30, 2019.
- Reorganizing Congress and the Executive In Response to Focusing Events: Lessons of the Past, Portents for the Future, paper presented at the Southern Political Science Association Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, January, 2004.
- The House Rules Committee Under Republican Majorities: Continuity and Change, paper presented at the Northeastern Political Science Association Meeting, Providence, Rhode Island, November 7-9, 2002.
- Suspended Partisanship in the House: How Most Laws Are Really Made, paper delivered at the 2002 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association Boston, Massachusetts, August 29-September 1, 2002.
- The Use of Self-Executing Rules Under Democratic and Republican Majorities in the House of Representatives, 1989-2000, paper presented to the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, California, Sept., 2001.
- The Politics of Appropriations: Procedures under House Republicans, paper presented at Convention of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, Georgia, Nov., 2000.
- Congress and the Threat of Direct Democracy, paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August, 1997
- Committees of the Whole: Their Evolution and Functions, Dec., 1992, reprinted in the *Congressional Record*, January 5, 1993, H 27 et seq.
- The Motion to Recommit in the House: The Rape of a Minority Right, Nov., 1990, reprinted in Roundtable Discussion on the Motion to Recommit Before the Subcommittee on Rules of the House, House Committee on Rules, 102d Congress, 2d session (Subcommittee Print, May 6, 1992

- The Role of Party Caucuses in the House: An Historical Perspective, paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., Sept., 1988.

Testimony:

- Statement Before the House Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress, March 29, 2019.
- Statement Before the Joint Select Committee on Budget and Appropriations Process Reform, May 9, 2018.
- Raising the Bar for Congress: Reform Proposals for the 21st Century, Testimony delivered to the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, March 14, 2012.
- Organizing the House for Homeland Security, Testimony delivered to the House Select Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Rules, July 10, 2003.
- Recommendations on Reconstituting Congress Following a Catastrophic Event, Talking points presented to the Bipartisan Leadership Task Force on the Continuity of Congress, June 25, 2002.
- E-Congress: Prospects, Problems & Alternatives, Testimony delivered to the House Administration Committee, May 1, 2002.
- Civility in the House Revisited, Statement submitted to the Subcommittee on Rules and Organization of the House, House Committee on Rules, April 29, 1999.
- Civility in the House, Testimony delivered to the Subcommittee on Rules, April 17, 1997.