Curriculum Vitae

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Current Position

Nancy R. Dreux Professor of Political Science, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN 1998--

Other Teaching Experience

- Visiting Professor of Political Science, Fordham University, Bronx, NY 1997-98
- William R. Kenan, Jr. Professor of Politics, Law, and Philosophy
 Carleton College, Northfield, MN, 1997-98 (Instructor, Assistant Professor, Associate
 Professor, Professor, Dorothy and Edward Congdon Professor of Political Science)
 Department of Political Science, Carleton College, 1968--
- Visiting Distinguished Professor, Department of Political Science, Fordham University, Fall 1995, 1996
- Visiting Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Winter 1995
- Visiting Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Cornell University, Summer 1981
- Visiting Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Claremont Men's College, Claremont, California, 1976-77
- Coordinator, "Politics and the Arts" in Minnesota Institute for the Advancement of Teaching, Fall 1993
- Workshop Leader, College Board Advanced Placement in Political Science, 1986-91
- Institute for Teachers of Talented Students, Carleton, Summer 1983--86, 1987-88
- Carleton Summer Writing Program, 1978-90
- Lecturer in American Constitutional Law, Department of Political Science, Loyola University, Chicago, Illinois, Summer 1967

Teaching Fields

Political Philosophy and Theory, American Political Thought, American Constitutional Law, American Constitutional History, Constitutional Theory, Philosophy of Law

Education

B. A. Cornell University 1964 M. A. University of Chicago 1967 Ph.D. University of Chicago 1974

Fellowships and Grants

- 2006 Inaugural Lecture, The Jack Miller Center for the Study of the American Founding, University of Chicago.
- 2006 Richard Sinopoli Lectureship, University of California, Davis.
- 2005 NEH grant for program in Religion and American Public Life.
- 2004 Co-author NEH grant for TV series on Alexander Hamilton
- 2003-2004 visiting Scholar, Liberty Fund
- 2002-2003 Earhart Foundation grant for work on Completing the Constitution
- 1994 Earhart Foundation Grant for work on *The Natural Rights Republic*
- 1993 Visiting Scholar, Social Philosophy and Policy Center, Bowling Green State University
- 1993 Grants from N. E. H. and Minnesota Humanities Commission for rebroadcast of "Mr. Adams and Mr. Jefferson" (see 1985-86)
- 1993 Co-author, Corporation for Public Broadcasting, grant to KTCA to produce "The American Revolution" T.V. series.
- 1993 Co-author, N. E. H. Grant to KTCA for Pilot of an Episode in T. V. series on "The American Revolution"
- 1992 Co-author, N. E. H. Planning Grant to KTCA for TV series on the American Revolution
- 1991 Grant from the American Political Science Association and the American Historical Association to plan and teach a mini-course for secondary school teachers on "The Bill of Rights and the States"
- 1991 Summer grant from the Ford Foundation Social Science Grant to study Greek Tragedy and the Origins of Political Science
- 1989-90 N.E.H. Fellowship for College Teachers
- 1988-89 Woodrow Wilson Center Fellow in American Studies, Washington, D.C.
 1987 Carleton Faculty Development Grant for work on the Jurisprudence of Justice
 Lewis Powell
- N.E.H. Production grant for "Mr. Adams and Mr. Jefferson," a nine-part radio series based on their correspondence

1986, 1984 Co-director, N.E.H. Summer Seminar for Secondary School Teachers on "The Political Meaning of the Return to Nature Theme in American Literature" (with Catherine Zuckert)

| 1984 | Minnesota Humanities Council grant to lecture on George Orwell's 1984 |
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| 1984-85 | N.E.H. grant to prepare scripts of "Mr. Adams and Mr. Jefferson." |
| 1981-82 | Bush Foundation grant to work on American Natural Rights Theory and the Natural Law Tradition |
| 1977 | CAUSE grant for work in Public Choice Theory |
| 1971,1969 | COSIP summer grants |
| 1967-68 | Ford Foundation Dissertation Completion Fellow |
| 1965-67 | Earhart Fellow, University of Chicago |
| 1964-65 | Falk Fellow in American Politics, University of Chicago |

Publications

Books

Leo Strauss and the Problem of Political Philosophy (with Catherine Zuckert) (forthcoming, U of Chicago Press, 2013?)

Natural Rights and American Constitutionalism (forthcoming 2014)

Completing the Constitution: the Civil War Amendments (Forthcoming 2013) (University Press of Kansas).

The Anti-Federal Writings of the Melancton Smith Circle (2009), Liberty Fund (co-editor with Derek Webb.

The Truth about Leo Strauss: Political Philosophy and American Democracy (with Catherine Zuckert, 2006) (University of Chicago Press).

Protestantism and the American Founding, coauthor and co-editor. (Notre Dame Press 2004)—a series of essays addressed to my *Natural Rights Republic*.

Launching Liberalism: John Locke and the Liberal Tradition (University of Kansas Press, 2002).

Thomas Jefferson and the Politics of Nature: Essays in Response to Michael Zuckert's NATURAL RIGHTS REPUBLIC, ed Thomas Engeman (University of Notre Dame Press, 2000). (An edited version of part of my Natural Rights Republic book with a series of response to it by scholars in the field, concluded with a response by me to the other essays).

The Natural Rights Republic (Notre Dame University Press, 1996).

Natural Rights and the New Republicanism (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1994).

- John Rawls (under contract with Rowman and Littlefield as part of a series on 20th Century Political Philosophy, ed. Jean Bethke Elshtain and Kenneth Deutsch)
- Machiavelli and Shakespeare (tentative title)--a collection of essays, co-editor and contributor (in preparation).

Articles and Chapters

- "Leo Strauss on Locke and the Law of Nature" in Rafe Major, **Reading "What is political Philosophy"**, (University of Chicago Press, 2013)
- "Two Paths from Revolution: Paine and Jefferson after the French Revolution" in Peter Onuf et al. eds., *Transatlantic Revolutionaries* (forthcoming 2013)
- "Leo Strauss's Two Agendas for Education" in von Heyking and Trepanier, *Teaching in an Age of Ideology* (Lexington books, 2012)
- "On the Separation of Powers: Liberal and Progressive Constitutionalism" in E. Paul et al. eds., *Natural Rights Liberalism and Progressivism in American Political Philosophy* (Cambridge U. Press. 2012)
- "Jaffa's New Birth" in Harry V. Jaffa, *Crisis of the Strauss Divided*, (Rowman and Littlefield, 2012) (reprint of earlier publication)
- "James Madison in *The Federalist*" in Stuart Leibiger ed., *A Companion to James Madison and James Monroe*, (Wiley Blackwell, 2012)
- "On the Separation of Powers" *Social philosophy and Policy* (vol. 29,no.2)
- "Constitutionalism in the Age of Terror" (with Felix Valenzuela) *Social Philosophy and Policy* (Winter 2011).
- "Judicial Liberalism and Capitalism: Justice Field Reconsidered" *Social Philosophy and Policy* (Summer 2011).
- "Thomas Jefferson and Natural Morality: Classical Moral Theory, Moral Sense, and Rights" in Peter Onuf and Nicholas Cole, eds., *Thomas Jefferson, the Classical World, and Early America* (University of Virginia Press).
- "Constitutionalism in the Age of Terror" (with Felix Valenzuela) in Ellen F. Paul, et. al., eds. What Should Constitutions Do? (Cambridge University Press) (reprint of article above).
- "Judicial Liberalism and Capitalism" in Ellen F. Paul, et. a. eds., *Liberalism and Capitalism* (Cambridge University Press) (reprint of article above).

- "Why Leo Strauss is not an Aristotelian: an Exploratory Study" in Justin G. York and Michael A. Peters, eds., *Leo Strauss, Education and Political Thought* (Farleigh Dickinson University Press).(2011)
- "John Locke and Liberalism" invited article for Italian journal, Revista di Filosofia (Fall 2011).
- "The Locke Chapter: Promise and Achievement" Perspectives in Political Science (2010)
- "On the Power of Rhetoric: Gorgias and the Philosophic Foundations' of Sophistry" In Tim Burns, editor, *On Classical Political Rationalism: Essays in Honor of Thomas Pangle*, Rowman and Littlefield, (2010)
- "Can liberalism speak of Human Dignity?" in Christopher Wolfe ed. *Human Dignity* (forthcoming)
- "Jaffa's New Birth: Harry Jaffa at Ninety", Review of Politics, (2009).
- "Judicial Review and the Incomplete Constitution: a Madisonian Perspective on the Supreme Court and the Idea of Constitutionalism," Richard Zinman et al eds. *The Supreme Court and the Idea of Constitutionalism* University of Pennsylvania Press, (2009).
- "Straussians" in *The Cambridge Companion to Leo Strauss*, Cambridge University Press, (2009)
- "Radical Whigs and Natural Law" on Witherspoon Institute's Natural Law, Natural Rights and American Constitutionalism Online Resource Center. (2009)
- "Natural Rights and the Post civil War Amendments" **Ibid.** (2009)
- "On Alan Bloom" *The Good Society*, Fall 2008
- "Natural Law without God?" **In Di Blasi et al eds.**, *Ethics Without God? The Divine in Contemporary Moral and Political Thought*, St. Augustine's Press, 2008.
- "Human Rights as the Basis of Justice" The Hedgehog Review, (Fall 2007).
- "The New Welfare Constitutionalism" in Ellen Paul ed., The Old Liberalism and the New. (Cambridge University Press, 2007).
- "Legality and Legitimacy in the Dred Scott Case" *Chicago Kent Law Review (2007)*.
- "Who was Publius?" In S. Minkov, ed. *Enlightening Revolutions*, Lexington books, (2006).
- "The Fullness of Being: Thomas Aguinas and Natural Law" Review of Politics (2006).
- "Lincoln and the Problem of Civil Religion," in Deutsch and Fornieri, eds., *Lincoln's American Dream* (Potomac Books) (reprint 2006).

- "Strauss, Father of the Right? er, Wrong," *Times [of London] Higher Education Supplement* (2006).
- "Locke—Religion—Equality", The Review of Politics, Summer 2005, 419-431.
- "Reconsidering Lockean Rights Theory" Interpretation, Fall 2005, 257-268.
- "Natural Rights and Imperial Constitutionalism: the American Revolution and the Development of the American Amalgam", *Social Philosophy and Policy*, col. 22, no.1, Winter 2005, pp.27-55 (reprinted in Ellen F. Paul, Fred Miller, and Jeffrey Paul, eds. *Natural Rights Liberalism from Locke to Nozick*).
- "The fourteenth Amendment", "The Constitutional Convention," "Fugitive Slave Clause," "Dred Scott Case", "Corfield v Coryell" in *Federalism in America: an Encyclopedia*, (Greenwood Press, 2005).
- "Perhaps He Was," Review of Politics, Fall 2004.
- "Casey at the Bat: Taking another Swing at Planned Parenthood v. Casey" in Christopher "Wolfe, ed. That Eminent Tribunal: Judicial Supremacy and the Constitution. (Princeton University Press, 2004).
- "The Contribution of William Blackstone," in Ronald Pestritto and Thomas West, eds., The American Founding and the Social Compact. (Rowman and Littlefield, 2003).
- "James Madison's Political Science" in Sikkenga and Frost eds., *History of American Political Thought* (Rowman and Littlefield, 2003).
- Book Review of John Winthrop: *America's Forgotten Founding Father*, published in Claremont Review of Books, (Winter 2003).
- Book Review of Judd Owen: *Religion and the Demise of Liberal Rationalism: The Foundational Crisis and the Separation of Church and State*, published in Claremont Review of Books, (Fall 2003).
- "Ravelstein" in *Perspectives in Political Science*, (2002).
- "Natural Rights" in *The Encyclopedia of the Enlightenment*, A. Kors. ed., (Macmillan, 2002).
- "Locke's Project of a Natural Law Theory," *Interpretation* (Winter 2001).
- "Big Government and Rights" in R. Zinman and J. Weinberg, eds., *Politics at the Turn of the Century* (Rowman & Littlefield, 2001).
- "Natural Law, Natural Rights and Classical Liberalism: Montesquieu's Critique of Hobbes," F. Miller, et. al. eds., "*Natural Law* and Modern Moral Philosophy" (Cambridge University Press, 2000).
- "Herbert Storing's Turn to the American Founding," *Political Science Reviewer*, Spring-Summer 2000
- "An American Paradox: Natural Rights and the American Revolution," in Lynn Hunt, et. al., ed., *Human Rights* (Rowman & Littlefield, 2000).

- "Refinding the Founding: Martin Diamond, Leo Strauss and the American Regime," in K. Deutsch and J. Murley, eds., *The Influence of Leo Strauss on the Study of the American Regime* (Rowman & Littefield, 1999).
- "Rights" in *Blackwell's Encyclopedia of the American Revolution* (2nd ed.), Jack Greene and J.R. Pole, eds. (1999).
- "The Thirteenth Amendment: Enforcement" and "Application of the Fourteenth Amendment" in *The Constitution and Its Amendments* (an encyclopedia) (Macmillan, 1998).
- "Do Natural Rights Derive from Natural Law?" Harvard Journal of Policy and Legislation, 1998.
- "Fundamental Rights, the Supreme Court and American Constitutionalism: The Lessons of the Civil Rights Act of 1866," in B. Wilson and K. Masugi,eds., *The Supreme Court and American Constitutionalism* (Rowman & Littlefield, 1997).
- "Empirical Theory 1997--Who's Kissing Him/Her Now?" (with Catherine Zuckert), in Kristin R. Monroe, ed., *Contemporary Political Theory* (University of California Press, 1997).
- "Is Modern Liberalism Compatible with Limited Government? The Case of Rawls," in Robert George, ed., *Natural Law, Liberalism, and Morality* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1996).
- "Toward a Theory of Corrective Federalism" in E. Katz and A. Tarr, *Federalism and Rights* (Rowman & Littlefield, 1996).
- "The New Medea: Portia's Comic Triumph in *The Merchant of Venice*," in J. Alulis and V. Sullivan, eds., *Shakespeare's Political Pageant* (Savage, Md.: Rowman & Littlefield, 1996).
- "The New Rawls and Constitutional Theory: Does It Really Taste That Much Better?" *Constitutional Commentary* (Winter 1994).
- "Hobbes, Locke and the Problem of Rule of Law," in Ian Shapiro, ed., *The Rule of Law (Nomos* 1994).
- "On Social State," in Peter A. Lawler and Joseph Alulis, eds., *Tocqueville's Defense of Liberty* (Garland Publishers, 1993).
- "Completing the Constitution: the Fourteenth Amendment," *Publius*, Spring 1992.
- Editor of Robert Horwitz, "John Locke's *Questions Concerning the Law of Nature*: A Commentary," *Interpretation* (Spring 1992).
- "Lincoln and the Problem of Civil Religion," in *Law and Philosophy: The Practice of Theory*, ed. by Robert Stone, William Braithwaite, and John Murley (Ohio University Press, 1992).
- "The Virtuous Polity, the Accountable Polity: Freedom and Responsibility in *The Federalist*," *Publius*, Winter 1991.
- "Thomas Jefferson on Nature and Natural Rights," in Robert Licht, ed., *The Framers and Fundamental Rights* (Washington, D. C.: A. E. I, Press, 1991).

- "The Federalist at 200—What's It to Us," Constitutional Commentary, Winter 1990.
- "Two Cheers (at least) for Allan Bloom," *Essays on CLOSING OF THE AMERICAN MIND*, ed. Robert Stone (Chicago, 1990).
- "Epistemology and Hermeneutics in the Constitutional Jurisprudence of John Marshall," in Thomas Shevory, ed., *John Marshall's Achievement: Law, and Constitutional Interpretation* (Greenwood, 1989).
- "Bringing Philosophy Down from the Heavens': Natural Right in the Roman Law," *Review of Politics* Winter 1989.
- "Orwell's Hopes, Orwell's Fears: 1984 as a Theory of Totalitarianism," Robert Savage, ed. The Orwellian Moment (Little Rock: University of Arkansas Press, 1989).
- "Towards an Agenda for the Third Century," in Sarah B. Thurow, ed., *E Pluribus Unum--Constitutional Principle and the Institutions of Government* (Lanham, MD: University Press of America, 1988).
- Mr. Adams and Mr. Jefferson, a radio play, based on their correspondence, under an N. E. H. grant (with Charles Umbanhowar and Ruth Weiner), broadcast by American Public Radio, Spring 1988.
- Contribution to Symposium, "Constitutional Scholarship, What Next?" in *Constitutional Commentary*, Winter 1988.
- "Re-union," a stage play based on the Adams-Jefferson correspondence (with Ruth Weiner and Charles Umbanhowar).
- "A System without Precedent: Federalism in the American Founding," in Leonard Levy and Dennis Mahoney, ed., *The Constitution: A History of Its Framing and Ratification* (New York: Macmillan, 1987).
- "Completing the Constitution I: The Thirteenth Amendment," *Constitutional Commentary*, Summer 1987.
- "Federalisms and the Founding," Review of Politics, Spring 1986.
- "What Was So Great about the Founding Fathers, After All?" Carleton Observer, Spring 1987.
- "Self-Evident Truths and the Declaration of Independence," *The Review of Politics*, Summer 1987.
- "Congressional Power under the Fourteenth Amendment," *Constitutional Commentary*, Winter 1986.
- "Liberalism and Nihilism: The Performance Philosophy of Rawls, Nozick, and Ackerman," *Constitutional Commentary*, Fall 1985.
- "Locke and the Problem of Civil Religion," A Bicentennial Essay of the Claremont Institute (Claremont, CA, 1985); reprinted in Robert Horwitz, ed., *The Moral Foundations of the American Republic*, 3rd ed. (Charlottesville: University of Virginia Press, 1986).

- "Rationalism and Political Responsibility: *Plato's Apology* and *The Clouds*," *Polity*, Winter 1985.
- "Oedipus and the Seven Dwarfs," Carleton Observer, Winter 1985.
- "Judicial Biography and Justice Brandeis," Constitutional Commentary, Winter 1985.
- "Meaning and Appropriation in the History of Political Philosophy: Reflections on Skinner's New History," *Interpretation*, September 1985.
- "Contemporary Liberalism and the Theory of Constrained Performance," in Timothy Fuller, ed., *The Prospects of Liberalism* (Colorado Springs, 1984).
- "Hobbes on Rights and Obligation," Review of Politics, Spring 1984.
- "Justice Deserted: A Critique of Rawls' Theory of Justice," Polity, Summer 1981.
- "Reviewing Tenured Faculty," Improving College and University Teaching, Spring 1980.
- "An Introduction to Locke's First Treatise," *Interpretation*, 1979.
- "Of Wary Physicians and Weary Readers: The Debates on Locke's Way of Writing," *The Independent Journal of Philosophy*, Fall 1977.
- "The Recent Literature on Locke's Political Philosophy," *Political Science Reviewer*, Fall 1975.
- "Fools and Knaves: Reflections on Locke's Theory of Philosophic Discourse," *Review of Politics*, October 1974.
- "... and in its wake we followed: The Political Thought of Mark Twain," *Interpretation*, Autumn 1972 (with Catherine Zuckert).

Recent Lectures and Papers (very incomplete)

- "Leo Strauss and Civic Education" JMC Summer Institute, Charlottesville, June 18-19, 2012
- "Rereading Brown v board of Education" Sarah Lawrence College April 25, 2012
- "American Revolution and the American Amalgam" at Yale University, May 2012
- "Completing the Constitution: the 14th Amendment" U of Texas, Austin, Sept. 2012
- "Polybius and the Mixed Regime" Murphy Institute, Tulane University, (Fall 2010)

Center for Social Phil. & Policy, Bowling Green, (May 12) "On the Separation of Powers: Liberal and Progressive Constitutionalism"

University of Houston (February 16-18): Ross Lence Master Teacher Residency (3 lectures):

- (a) "Shakespeare's *Tempest*, and Machiavelli's *Prince*: Who is Prospero?"
- (b) "Jefferson's Moral Philosophy"
- (c) "Slavery at the Constitutional Convention"

Princeton University: "Natural Rights Jurisprudence in Ante-Bellum Slavery Cases"

Concordia College (Montreal) (2 lectures):

- (a) "Slavery and the Constitutional Convention"
- (b) "On the Power of Rhetoric: Speech and Being according to Gorgias of Leontini"

Colorado College: "Slavery at the Constitutional Convention"

American University: "Completing the Constitution: the 14th Amendment"

University of Wisconsin: "Popular Sovereignty and the Problem of Secession"

University of Virginia: "Robert Dahl and Progressivism"

Emory University: Constitution Day Address: "Completing the Constitution"

Jack Miller Center Conference: "Was Lincoln War Criminal?"

Plato vs. Rawls: On Justice" North Park College Fall 2009

"Slavery at the Constitutional Convention" Mercer University, Spring 2009.

"Straussians" Washington and Lee University Nov. 6, 2008

"Thomas Jefferson and the Moral Sense", Rome Italy, Oct. 13-15 (Thomas Jefferson International Center for Scholars)

"Liberty and American Foreign Policy" Big Sky, MT July 17-19, (Liberty Fund)

"Thomas Jefferson: Natural Rights and the Moral Sense" University of Virginia July 8-9. (Jack Miller Center for the Principles of the American Founding

"Mill and Tocqueville" Burlington VT. June 26-28. (Liberty Fund)

"The Moral Sense in Lord Kames and Thomas Jefferson" Palo Alto May8-11, 2008.(Liberty Fund)

"What Really Happened in the Dred Scott Case" Baylor University, April 24, 2008.

"Classics of Liberty" (Indianapolis, March 20-24, 2008)(Liberty Fund)

"Rousseau and the French Revolution," (San Diego, CA, invited lecture: Dec. 7-10, 2006).

Discussant, "Symposium on Cicero," (University of Notre Dame, Oct. 27-28, 2006).

- "Completing the Constitution: The 14th Amendment," Saturday Scholar Series, (University of Notre Dame, Oct. 21, 2006).
- "The Invention of Judicial Review," (Inaugural Lecture of the Jack Miller Center for the Study of the American Founding, University of Chicago, Oct. 16, 2006).
- "The American Revolution: Fulfillment or Departure from English Tradition?" (Philadelphia Society, invited lecture: Oct. 13, 2006).
- "Political Philosophy and the Book of Genesis: On Pangle's *God of Abraham*," Presented at the Annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, (Sept. 2006).
- "Negative Rights and the Constitution," Presented at the Annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, (Sept. 2006).
- "The Juridical Thought of Roscoe Pound," (New Hampshire invited lecture: Sept. 14-17, 2006).
- "On the Declaration of Independence," (Hesburgh Lecture invited: South Bend, IN. June 22, 2006).
- "Natural Law in Grotius and Pufendorf," (Cincinnati, OH. Invited lecture: August 17-20, 2006).
- Workshop on Film (with Jim Collins), (May 22-26, 2006).
- "On the Declaration of Independence," (Hesburgh lecture invited: Wilmington, Del: May 4, 2006).
- "Completing the Constitution: The 14th Amendment," (University of California, Davis invited lecture: Spring 2006).
- Panel Discussant: "On American Political Thought," Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL. (April 2006).
- Workshop on Darwin and Evolution (with Phil Sloan) (University of Notre Dame, April 28, 2006).
- "Legality and Legitimacy," (University of Notre Dame Law School, invited lecture: April 18, 2006).
- "Legality and Legitimacy in the Dred Scott Case," (University of Texas Law School, invited lecture: April 1, 2006).
- Panel on Steven Smith's Law's Quandary (Notre Dame Law School, March 31, 2006).
- "John Locke: Toward a Politics of Liberty" (Emory University, invited lecture: March 30, 2006).

- Panel on "Academic Freedom and Shakespeare's Merchant of Venice." (University of Notre Dame, Feb. 2006).
- "Political Thought of James Madison," (San Diego, invited lecture: Jan. 5-7, 2006).
- "Was Leo Strauss an Esoteric Writer?" Claremont McKenna College, 2005.
- "Giving the Barber a Trim: the constitution and Welfare Rights" Bowling Green State University, 2005.
- "How the Supreme Court Got Such Big Britches" Baylor University, 2005.
- "The Fullness of Being: Aquinas and the Modern Critique of Natural Law" Palermo, Italy, 2005.
- "Strauss—Modernity—America", New School for Social Research, 2005.
- "The Supreme Court and the Problem of Liberty in American Constitutionalism." Earhart Foundation 2005.
- "Natural Rights and Imperial Constitutionalism," Indiana University, 2004.
- "Must Political Theory Be Secular?" Texas A&M University, 2004.
- "On the Theory of the Declaration of Independence" Bellarmine University, 2004.
- De(a)dication: Lincoln at Gettysburg, Gettysburg and 9/11" Bellarmine University, 2004; Furman University, 2004; University of Texas, 2003, University of Chicago, 2003; University of Houston, 2003.
- "The EU's Federalism Deficit: a Madisonian Perspective" Lisbon, Portugal, 2004.
- "On Waldron's Locke" Southern Political Science Association, 2005.
- "The Best Laid Plans of Mice and Men, or How the Supreme Court Got such Big Britches," University of Michigan (1999), Bucknell University (2000); University of Toronto (2000).
- "Thinkin' About Lincoln," President's Day Speech, Juniata College, February 2000.
- McKenna Lecturer, University of Dallas, April 2000.
- "At the Crossroads: Leo Strauss on the Coming of Modernity," APSA, 1999.
- Respondent, Round Table Discussion of Michael Zuckert, *The Natural Rights Republic* (APSA 1999).
- "Machiavelli and Shakespeare: New Modes and Orders in *Midsummer Night's Dream*," MWPSA April, 1997.
- "The Civil Rights Act of 1866: A Structural Analysis," University of Minnesota Law School, January 1997; Chicago-Kent School of Law, March 1997.
- "Thinkin' about Lincoln," Presidents' Day Convocation, Carleton College, February 1997.

- "Natural Law and Natural Rights" AALS, January 1997.
- "Roundtable on Equality in the Declaration of Independence" APSA, Fall 1996.
- "Mr. Adams and Mr. Jefferson: A Study in Character," APSA, Fall 1996.
- "America before Modernity: Pilgrims, Puritans and the Origins of the American Political Tradition," Boston College, Spring 1996.
- "Big Government and Rights," Michigan State University, Fall 1995.
- "New Rawls and Constitutional Theory," University of Notre Dame, April, 1994.
- "Natural Rights and the New Republicanism," Harvard University, April 1994.
- "Natural Rights and American Republicanism," (5 lecture series), Frank Covey Lectureship in Political Analysis, Loyola University of Chicago, March 1994.
- "Is Egalitarian Liberalism Compatible with Limited Government?" at American Public Philosophy Institute conference on Natural Law and Modern Liberalism, Washington, D. C., Fall 1993.
- "New Rawls and Constitutional Theory: Does It Really Taste That Much Better," Bowling Green State University, Fall 1993.
- "Toward a Theory of Corrective Federalism," N. E. H. Conference on the Future of Federalism," Temple University, November 1992.
- "Jefferson's Political Legacy," University of Virginia, October 1992.