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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Nashotah House Theological Seminary

Assistant Professor of Ethics and Moral Theology (2019 – Present)
Acting Academic Dean (Summer 2021)

Aquinas Institute of Theology

Assistant Professor of Moral Theology (2018 – 2019)
Interim Director of the MA Program (Spring 2019)

EDUCATION

University of Notre Dame

Ph.D. in Moral Theology/Christian Ethics (Spring 2018)

- Dissertation: “ ‘In a Prudent Way and Without Rashness:’ Reclaiming Francisco Suárez’ Theories of Legal Interpretation and Resistance”
- Advisor: Jean Porter
- Notre Dame Committee: Gerald McKenny, Neil Arner
- Outside Reader: Cathleen Kaveny, Boston College
- Exams passed with honors
 - Major: Moral Theology and Christian Ethics
 - Minor: Philosophy of Law

Southern Methodist University, Perkins School of Theology

M.T.S. (May 2012), *summa cum laude*

The University of Texas School of Law

J.D. (May 2005)

Rice University

B.A. (May 2002)

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

- “Magisterial Authority and Competing Theories of Natural Law in Calvin’s *Institutes*.” *The Scottish Journal of Theology*. (publication forthcoming)
- “Are Rights Really So Wrong? A Response to Nigel Biggar’s *What’s Wrong with Rights?*” *The Anglican Theological Review*. (publication forthcoming)
- “‘Good, Rich, or Secure?’ Spanish Scholasticism and Law’s Development of Virtue.” *Bajo Palabra* No. 26 (June 2021): 123 - 140.
- “Professional Ethics and the Recovery of Virtue.” *Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics* Vol. 40, No. 1 (Spring/Summer 2020): 21 – 37.
- “Aquinas, Pinckaers, and the Role of the New Law in a Doctrine of Political Equity.” *Journal of Moral Theology*, Vol. 8, No. 2 (Spring 2019): 114 – 133.
- “‘Sharers in the Divine Image’: Francisco Suárez and the Justification of Female Political Authority.” *Political Theology*, Vol. 19, No. 4 (March 2018): 331 – 348.

Book Chapters

- “Natural Law And Cultural Difference: Innovations in Spanish Scholasticism.” In *Innovations in Early Modern Catholicism*. Ed. by Ulrich L. Lehner (Oxford, UK: Routledge, 2021). (peer-reviewed) (publication forthcoming)
- “Natural Law.” Co-Authored with David Clairmont and Ebenezer Akesseh. In *The Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Religious Ethics*. (Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell, 2021)
- “Vocation and Work.” *T&T Clark Companion to Christian Ethics*. (T&T Clark, 2021): 383 - 390.
- “Settling Law: Suárez’s Theory of Custom for Contemporary Contexts.” In *Francisco Suárez (1548 – 1616): Jesuits and the Complexities of Modernity*. Ed. Robert Aleksander Maryks and Juan Antonio Senent de Frutos. (Leiden, The Netherlands: Brill, 2019): 178 – 204. (peer-reviewed)

Book Reviews

- *The Immortal Commonwealth*, by David Henreckson. *Political Theology*. Published online February 24, 2021.
- *Aquinas and the Market: Towards a Humane Economy*, by Mary Hirschfeld. *Political Theology*. Published online April 6, 2020.
- *The Oxford Handbook of Church and State in the United States*, ed. Derek H. Davis. *Political Theology*. Published online January 28, 2020.
- *Great Christian Jurists in Spanish History*, ed. Rafael Domingo and Javier Martínez-Torrón. *Political Theology*. Vol. 20, No. 4 (Spring, 2019): 351 – 352.
- *On Secular Governance: Lutheran Perspectives on Contemporary Legal Issues*, ed. Ronald Duty and Marie Failing. *The Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics*. Vol 31, No. 1 (Spring/Summer 2018): 211 – 212.

Translation

- Contributing Translator, *Sermons of Aelred of Riveaux: The Liturgical Sermons, The Durham and Lincoln Collections, Sermons 47-84*. (Collegeville MN: Cistercian Publications, 2019)

COURSES TAUGHT

- *Work, Vocation, and Ethics* (Masters Course)
- *Christians, Justice & The Common Good* (Masters Course)
- *Contemporary Questions in Christian Ethics* (Masters Course)
- *Foundations of Moral Theology* (Masters Course)
- *Catholic Social Teaching* (Masters Course)
- *The Use of Philosophy in Theology* (Masters Course)
- *God and Creation in Aquinas: The Prima Pars* (Masters Course)
- *Foundations of Catholic Morality* (Masters Course)
- *Basics Principles of Catholic Social Teaching* (Health-care executive certificate program)
- *Ethical Issues in Contemporary Healthcare* (Health-care executive certificate program)
- *Catholic Social Teaching: Foundations and Applications for the Healing Ministry* (Masters level)
- *Theology, Ethics, and Business* (Undergraduate course)

PEDAGOGICAL DEVELOPMENT

Yale Center for Faith and Culture

- *Christ and Being Human* Pedagogy Fellow (Summer 2020 – Summer 2022)

The Wabash Center Teaching for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

- *Social Justice and Civic Engagement Blog Contributor* (2020 – 2021)

ECF/Lilly Endowment Seminary Summit on Theology of Money

- Module Contributor and Reviewer

The Center for the Study of Latino/a Christianity and Religions at Perkins School of Theology/SMU

- “The Latinx Body & Pedagogy: Practical & Institutional Considerations.” Pedagogy Seminar and Workshop. (March 2018)

The University of Notre Dame Theology Department

- Theology Pedagogy Workshop on Classroom Techniques (August 2016)
- Theology Pedagogy Workshop on Developing a Syllabus and Planning a Course (Fall 2015)

ACADEMIC PAPERS & PRESENTATIONS

- **“Sojourners and Strangers Among You: Faith, Charity, and the Jews in Francisco Suarez's Theological Jurisprudence.”** Strangers & Neighbors: Hostility and Hospitality in Late Medieval/Early Modern Contexts. London, UK. May 2022. (peer-reviewed) (Presentation Forthcoming)
- **“Risk and Responsibility in the Investment Practices of Religious Institutions.”** Co-Presented with Professor David Clairmont. Society of Christian Ethics. Costa Mesa, CA. January 2022. (peer-reviewed) (Presentation Forthcoming)
- **“Is Virtue Possible for Investment Professionals? Comparing Financial Ethics in Aquinas and Caritas in Veritate.”** Catholic Theological Society of America. June 2021. (peer-reviewed)
- **Roundtable Discussion of “What’s Wrong with Rights?” by Nigel Biggar.** Anglican Interest Group. Society of Christian Ethics Annual Meeting. January 2021. (Invited)
- **“John Courtney Murray, SJ: An Alternative Christian Realism.”** Law and Ethics Interest Group. Society of Christian Ethics Annual Meeting. January 2021. (Invited)
- **“Ignatius, Francisco de Toledo, and the role of conversos.”** Ignatius the Thomist Conference. Mundelein, IL. November 2020. (Invited)
- **“Prayer and Action Among the Spanish Scholastics.”** Ethics and Contemplation Interest Group. Society of Christian Ethics Annual Meeting. Washington, D.C. January 2020. (peer-reviewed)
- **“Francisco Suárez, SJ: Translating the Tradition in Early Modern Spain.”** Historical Theology Interest Group. Society of Christian Ethics Annual Meeting. Washington, D.C. January 2020. (Invited)
- **“Legal Perspectives on Christian Realism.”** American Academy of Religion Annual Conference. San Diego, CA. November 2019. (Invited)
- **“Theories of Peace and The Common Good among the Spanish Scholastics: Contributions and Challenges.”** II International Conference on Bartolomé de las Casas. Providence, RI. July 2019. (peer-reviewed)
- **“Spanish Scholastics: Peace and Empire.”** Catholic Theological Society of America Annual Meeting. Pittsburgh, PA. June 2019. (peer-reviewed)
- **“Professional Ethics and the Recovery of Virtue.”** Society of Christian Ethics Annual Meeting. Louisville, KY. January 2019. (peer-reviewed)
- **“Augustine’s Two Cities in the Theological Jurisprudence of Francisco Suarez, SJ.”** Patristic, Medieval, and Renaissance Studies Program.” Villanova, PA. October 2018. (peer-reviewed)
- **“Francisco Suárez and the Power of Custom for Positive Lawmaking.”** International Symposium on Jesuit Studies. Seville, Spain. June 2018. (peer-reviewed)
- **“Aquinas, Pinckaers and the Role of the New Law in a Doctrine of Political Equity.”** Notre Dame Symposium on the Moral Theology of Servais Pinckaers, OP. May 2018. (Invited)
- **“The Rule of the Just and the Unjust: Reclaiming Francisco Suarez's Theological Jurisprudence as a Tool for Legal Reform.”** The Society of Christian Ethics Annual Meeting. New Orleans, Louisiana. January 2017. (peer-reviewed)
- **“Legal Interpretation as a Tool for Justice: Francisco Suárez and the Sanctuary Movement.”** Presentation at the American Academy of Religion National Meeting. San Antonio, Texas. November 2016. (peer-reviewed)
- **“Francisco Suárez and the Attempt to Avoid Adverse Effects of Resistance.”** Presented at “Daño Collateral: La responsabilidad ética y juridical por los efectos malos indirectos” Symposium. Sponsored by the School of Law of the Pontifical University of Chile. Santiago, Chile. May 2016. (Invited)

- **“Resistance or Obedience? Seeking New Modes for Legal Engagement in a Diverse World.”** Southwest Commission on Religious Studies Annual Meeting. Fort Worth, Texas. March 2016. (peer-reviewed)
- **“Civil Government and Competing Theories of Natural Law in Calvin’s *Institutes*.”** University of Notre Dame and University of Chicago Joint Graduate Student Conference on Religious Ethics. Notre Dame, Indiana. May 2015. (peer-reviewed)
- **“John Courtney Murray and Religious Liberty: New Challenges and Perspectives.”** Society for Christian Ethics Annual Meeting – Future Scholars Interest Group. Seattle, Oregon. January 2015. (peer-reviewed)
- **“The Power of Religious Narrative: The Functional Application of Paul Ricoeur in Creating Spaces for Justice.”** Association for the Study of Law, Culture and the Humanities Annual Conference. Charlottesville, Virginia. March 2014. (peer-reviewed)
- **“Risk and Responsibility: Channels of Religion and Morality in Contemporary Ecclesiastical Investment Practices”** (co-authored with Professor David Clairmont). Presented at “Markets, Justice and the Law” Symposium sponsored by the Berkley Center for Religion, Peace & World Affairs at the University of Chicago. Chicago, Illinois. May 2013. (Invited)

SELECTED POPULAR PUBLICATIONS AND BLOG POSTS

- “Yes and No: Barth, Bonhoeffer, and Modern Politics.” *Canopy Forum*, June 16, 2021. <https://canopyforum.org/2021/06/16/yes-and-no-barth-bonhoeffer-and-modern-politics/>
- “The Way of Love: Bless.” *Covenant: The Blog of the Living Church*, March 15, 2021. <https://livingchurch.org/covenant/2021/03/15/the-way-of-love-bless/>
- “Teaching Controversial Issues? Look to Dorothy Day.” *The Wabash Center Blog*, March 2, 2021. <https://www.wabashcenter.wabash.edu/2021/03/teaching-controversial-issues-look-to-dorothy-day/>
- “Meritocracy and the Failure of the Christian Moral Imagination.” *Covenant: The Blog of the Living Church*, October 29, 2020. <https://livingchurch.org/covenant/2020/10/29/meritocracy-and-the-failure-of-the-christian-moral-imagination/>
- “Liturgy and Social Justice.” *The Wabash Center Blog*, October 21, 2020. <https://www.wabashcenter.wabash.edu/2020/10/liturgy-and-social-justice/>
- “The Limits of Executive Authority.” *America Magazine*. (August 2020).
- “Standing at the Gates of the House of the Lord.” *Covenant: The Blog of the Living Church*, June 3, 2020. <https://livingchurch.org/covenant/2020/06/03/standing-at-the-doors-of-the-house-of-the-lord/> (Most Read Covenant blog post of 2020)
- “Good Moralistic Preaching.” *Covenant: The Blog of the Living Church*, May 27, 2020. <https://livingchurch.org/covenant/2020/05/27/good-moralistic-preaching/>
- “Life in the Shadow of the Cross.” *Covenant: The Blog of the Living Church*, April 8, 2020. <https://livingchurch.org/covenant/2020/04/08/life-in-the-shadow-of-the-cross/>
- “Advocacy for Ethicist: A Response to Cathleen Kaveny’s *Ethics at the Edge of Law*.” *Syndicate.com*, October 23, 2019. <https://syndicate.network/symposia/theology/ethics-at-the-edges-of-law/#elisabeth-kincaid>
- “Article XIII: Of Works Before Justification.” *Young Peoples’ Theology*, June 20, 2019. <https://yptheology.org/2019/06/20/article-xiii-of-works-before-justification/>
- “Response to Lydia Mwaniki on ‘Re-envisioning Evangelism and Witness in Africa.’” in *Witnessing Together: Global Anglican Perspectives on Evangelism and Witness*. Ed. by Muthuraj Swamy and Stephen Spencer. (Cincinnati, OH: Forward Movement, 2019)
- “Easter Joy Belongs to the Melancholy.” *ChristianityToday.com*, April 18, 2019. <https://www.christianitytoday.com/women/2019/april/easter-holy-week-why-joy-belongs-to-melancholy.html>

- “I Inherited a Failed Sunday School. Here’s How It Flourished.” *ChristianityToday.com*, February 28, 2019. <https://www.christianitytoday.com/women/2019/february/sunday-school-i-inherited-failed-program-how-it-flourished.html>
- “Bonhoeffer: Advent is Like a Prison Cell.” *ChristianityToday.com*, December 11, 2018. <https://www.christianitytoday.com/women/2018/december/bonhoeffer-advent-is-like-prison-cell.html>
- “Convention, Pope Francis, and the Death Penalty.” *Covenant: The Blog of the Living Church*, October 14, 2018. <https://livingchurch.org/covenant/2018/08/14/convention-pope-francis-and-the-death-penalty/>
- “Challenging Institutions Through Dialogue: A Model for the Future.” *The Berkeley Forum*, March 26, 2018. <https://berkeleycenter.georgetown.edu/responses/challenging-institutions-through-dialogue-a-model-for-the-future>
- “Counter-Reformation Orthodoxy And Francisco Suárez’ Expansive View Of Female Authority.” *PoliticalTheology.com*, October 26, 2017. <https://politicaltheology.com/counter-reformation-orthodoxy-and-francisco-suarez-expansive-view-of-female-authority-elisabeth-kincaid/>
- “Ignatius of Loyola: A Saint for Anglicans?” *Covenant: The Blog of the Living Church*, July 31, 2017. <https://livingchurch.org/covenant/2017/07/31/ignatius-of-loyola-a-saint-for-anglicans/>

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND ACADEMIC HONORS

Conant Grant

- Received funding from the national Episcopal Church Conant Grant fund to develop a course on Anglican Social Teaching and the Common Good (2020 – 2021)

The Episcopal Church Foundation

- National Academic Fellow (2016 - 2019)

Political Theology Network

- American Academy of Religion Dissertation Chapter Workshop Grant (November 2017)

University of Notre Dame

- Paul G. Tobin Dissertation Completion Fellowship at the Nanovic Institute for European Studies (2017 – 2018)
- Kellogg Institute for International Studies Doctoral Student Affiliate (2017 – 2018)
- Nanovic Institute for European Studies Professional Development Grant (Spring 2018)
- Rome Global Gateway Dissertation Research Travel Grant (Spring 2017)
- Nanovic Institute for European Studies Dissertation Research Travel Grant (Spring 2017)
- Notre Dame Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts Conference Presentation Grant (Fall 2016)
- Theology Department Summer Dissertation Research Grant (Summer 2016)
- Notre Dame Graduate Student Union Conference Presentation Grant (Spring 2014)
- Theology Department Conference Presentation Grant (2013 – 2017)

Southern Methodist University

- Valedictorian for the Perkins School of Theology (2012)
- Perkins School of Theology Full Tuition Scholarship (2010 - 2012)

The University of Texas School of Law

- Teaching Quizmaster (2004)
- American Jurisprudence Award in Professional Responsibility (Spring 2004)
- Dean’s Scholar (Full Tuition Scholarship) (2004 - 2005)

Rice University

- Lady Geddes Award for Excellence in Essay Writing (2002)
- National Merit Scholar (1998 - 2002)

ACADEMIC SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP

Anglican Theological Review

Vice President of the Board of Trustees (2020 – Present)

Member of the Board of Trustees (2019 – 2020)

Texas Consortium of Christian Ethics

Founder and Organizer (2019 – Present)

NRSV Updated Edition (NRSVue)

Book Reviewer (2020 – Present)

Nashotah House Theological Seminary

Nashotah House Faculty Ambassador to the National Episcopal Church (2019 – Present)

Peer Reviewer for Academic Journals

The Anglican Theological Review

The Journal of Religion and Business Ethics

Revista Portuguesa de Filosofia

Aquinas Institute of Theology

Interim Director of Masters of Arts in Theology Program (Spring 2019)

Curriculum and Program Development Committee (2018 – 2019)

Catholic Social Teaching Committee (2018 – 2019)

Fellowship of Protestant Ethicists

Executive Director (2019 – 2020)

Board Member (2018 – 2021)

University of Chicago and University of Notre Dame Joint Graduate Conference in Religious Ethics

Founder and Organizer (Fall 2013 and Spring 2015)

RELATED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Southern Methodist University

May 2009 – April 2012

Graduate Campus Minister to Law, Business, Theology and PhD students

- Developed ministry programs for approximately 200 law and graduate business students.
- Raised \$250,000 through grants and private donations for program expenses.
- Organized campus-wide presentations on integration of faith, ethics, and business featuring local and national attorneys and business leaders.
- Designed and administered local and international service opportunities for law and business students.
- Designed and implemented welcome and integration program for all international law students.
- Designed and led ecumenical small group Bible studies and communal activities for PhD and MDiv students with the Catholic Student Center.

Aldus Equity, Dallas, TX

August 2007 – May 2009

Associate

- Advised state pension funds on private equity investment strategy by conducting due diligence on private equity funds, evaluating pension fund portfolio strategy, and presenting recommendations to trustees.
- Provided in-house legal services by supervising outside counsel in drafting and revision of limited partnership agreements and side letters and leading task force to develop internal legal processes.

Haynes and Boone, LLP, Dallas, TX

September 2005 - August 2007

Associate, White Collar Criminal Defense, Antitrust and Securities Litigation Section

- Assist in defense of individual and corporate clients charged with white-collar crimes, as well as those under investigation by the Department of Justice and SEC.
- Represent incarcerated client bringing §1983 civil rights claim through discovery phase to settlement.

Bracewell and Patterson, LLP, Houston, TX

Summer 2004

Summer Associate, Business Litigation Section, Oil and Gas Transaction Section

Haynes and Boone, LLP, Dallas, TX

Summer 2004

Summer Associate, White Collar and Antitrust Section, Bankruptcy Section

Judge Sidney A. Fitzwater, U.S. District Court - Northern District of Texas

Summer 2004

Judicial Intern for Federal Judge

SELECTED ECCLESIAL TEACHING, SPEAKING, WEBINARS, & PODCASTS

- “God’s Justice at Work in the World: A Conversation between Elisabeth Kincaid and N.T. Wright” The Wisconsin Christian Study Center. Madison, WI. March 2021 (Forthcoming)
- “Intrinsically Evil Acts: What they are and Why they Matter.” University of St. Thomas Catholic Student Center. St. Paul, Minn. February 2021.
- “Introduction to Catholic Social Teaching.” The Sacramentalists Podcast. February 2021.
- “Ambassadors of Reconciliation.” CEEP Network Webinar Series. January, 2021.
- “Is Football a Sin?” (Moderator). The Living Church Podcasts. January 2021.
- “How should Christians Approach Third Party Voting?” Washington University Catholic Student Center. St. Louis, MO. October 2020.
- “Justice and the Common Good in the Christian Tradition”. St. James Episcopal Church. Richmond, Va. September 2020.
- “Theology of Place and Stewardship.” Convertible Conference at the Harrison Center. Indianapolis, IN. March 2020.
- “Anglo-Catholicism and the Common Good.” Great Lakes Society of Catholic Priests Annual Meeting. Grand Haven, MI. August 2019.
- “Business Ethics and the Priestly Vocation.” Radical Vocation Conference. Dallas, Texas. September 2018.
- “‘Obedience the Remedy’: John Henry Newman and the Development of Christian Holiness.” Presentation at “Anglo-Catholicism: Recovering Roots.” Boston, Massachusetts. November 2017.
- “Taking Jesus to Work: Teaching about Christian Vocation in the Work Place.” Diocese of Dallas Pre-Convention Clergy Education Day. Dallas TX. October 2017.
- “America Among the Nations.” Panelist at Church of the Incarnation Lecture Series. September 2017.
- “Churches and Modes of Resistance to Unjust Laws.” Consortium of Endowed Episcopal Parishes. (February 2017)

SELECTED ECCLESIAL AND LEGAL SERVICE

- Judge for *Christianity Today’s* “2021 Book Awards” in Theology/Ethics
- Assistant Chancellor for Canon Law, Episcopal Diocese of Dallas, (2017 – Present)
- Co-Examining Chaplain in Moral Theology, Episcopal Diocese of Dallas (2017 – Present)
- 6th Grade Confirmation Class Teacher. Church of the Incarnation, Dallas Tx. (2019 – Present)
- Assist in Planning and Developing Lay Certificate Program between Church of the Incarnation and Perkins School of Theology. (Fall 2017)
- Teach and Organize Interdenominational Bible Study for Dallas Lawyers on Social Justice. (2017-2018)
- Diocesan Convention Delegate – Diocese of Northern Indiana. (Spring 2015)
- Youth Services Board of La Porte County Board Member. (2012 – 2015)
- Volunteer Youth Ministry Director, St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, La Porte, Indiana (2012 – 2015)
- International Justice Mission volunteer providing legal training and research for human rights attorneys in India. (2006 – 2011)

- The Radler Foundation volunteer consultant on business and legal issues related to creating mobile health initiatives in Southern Sudan and Northern Uganda (including research in the United States and on-site in Southern Sudan and Uganda). (2009 – 2010)
- Volunteer counsel at Human Rights Initiative, representing client in international asylum claim under Violence against Women Act. (2008-2009)

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

Society of Christian Ethics
American Academy of Religion
Catholic Theological Society of America
Fellowship of Protestant Ethicists
State Bar of Texas (inactive)

LANGUAGES

Spanish (proficient)
French (reading comprehension)
German (reading comprehension)
Latin (reading comprehension)

LICENSES

Licensed to practice law in the state of Texas and U.S. District Court – Northern District of Texas.