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<b>DISTRICT COURT, CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER, COLORADO</b> 1437 Bannock St. Denver, CO 80203	
<b>Plaintiff:</b> SCOTT GESSLER, in his official capacity as Secretary of State for the State of Colorado,  v. <b>Defendant:</b> DEBRA JOHNSON, in her official capacity as the Clerk and Recorder for City and County of Denver,  <b>Intervenors-Defendants:</b> COLORADO COMMON CAUSE and GILBERT ORTIZ in his official capacity as the Clerk and Recorder for the County of Pueblo.	<b>▲ COURT USE ONLY ▲</b>
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<b>COLORADO COMMON CAUSE'S RULE 26(a)(2) EXPERT WITNESS DISCLOSURES</b>	

Intervenor-Defendant Colorado Common Cause (“CCC”), by and through its counsel, designates the following expert witness to testify on her behalf pursuant to C.R.C.P. 26(a)(2)(B)(I):

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Dr. Masket’s expert witness report in this matter, entitled, “Testimony from Seth E. Masket,” is attached as **Exhibit 1**. Dr. Masket’s *curriculum vita*, including his qualifications and a list of his publications for the past ten years, is attached as **Exhibit 2**. Dr. Masket will testify consistently with the general opinions and bases therefor as set forth in his report. Dr. Masket has provided no expert testimony, by trial or deposition, in the past four years. Dr. Masket is being compensated \$200 per hour for his study and testimony in this case.

At this time, it is anticipated that the only exhibits that will be used as a summary of or support for Dr. Masket’s opinions are contained in his report. In the event that it is determined that additional exhibits would be helpful to the court, copies will be provided along with other exhibits before trial or as otherwise required under C.R.C.P. 16(f)(3).

Dated: October 22, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

*s/ J. Lee Gray*

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# EXHIBIT 1

## Testimony from Seth E. Masket

### Summary of Qualifications

I am a tenured associate professor and chair of the Department of Political Science at the University of Denver. I received my bachelor's degree in political science from UC Berkeley in 1991, a master's degree in campaign management from George Washington University in 1996, and a doctorate in political science from UCLA in 2004. At UCLA, I received a wide range of training in the analysis of elections, race and politics, and statistical research methods. I have worked at the University of Denver since 2004.

My book, *No Middle Ground: How Informal Party Organizations Control Nominations and Polarized Legislatures*, was published in 2009 by the University of Michigan Press and stemmed from my dissertation research at UCLA. This project involved detailed study of decades of state and local election results and the influence of local party leaders in nomination contests. The book also included extensive discussion of the importance and influence of race and ethnicity in local elections. I additionally co-authored a study of the impact of race on local election campaigns with Franklin Gilliam of UCLA and Kenny Whitby of the University of South Carolina. This paper received the Best Paper on Blacks and Politics award from the Western Political Science Association in 2001.

I have published 18 peer-reviewed articles, including several on state, local, and national elections. These articles have appeared in such journals as *The American Journal of Political Science*, *The Journal of Politics*, *The Quarterly Journal of Political Science*,

and *American Politics Research*. My research has been cited over 400 times. I have received research grants from the National Science Foundation for the study of state legislatures and party activists. I have also received numerous paper awards from the American Political Science Association's organized sections on State Politics and Policy and Political Organizations and Parties. In 2008, the section on Political Organizations and Parties named me Emerging Scholar.

I am currently on the editorial boards of *Legislative Studies Quarterly* and the *California Journal of Politics and Policy*.

I was retained to determine whether or not there would be an impact on racial minorities from the Colorado Secretary of State's decision to not mail ballots to voters listed as "Inactive – Failed to Vote" in mail-ballot elections. For this work, I am being compensated at the rate of \$200 per hour.

### **Previous Testimony**

I have not previously given testimony as an expert witness.

### **Summary of Main Opinions**

1. Inactive voter status in Colorado is strongly related to race. Denying mail-in ballots to people with the "inactive-failed to vote" status would thus have a disproportional impact on African American and Hispanic residents.
2. This correlation between inactive voter status and race holds whether one is examining Denver, Pueblo, or the state as a whole.

## **Basis of Opinions**

I examined recent voter registration figures collected at the precinct level for the city and county of Denver, the county of Pueblo, and a selection of the state as a whole. These records were provided by the Secretary of State's office. I compared these figures with racial composition statistics collected at the census block level from the 2010 U.S. Census reports. To aggregate this census block level data to the precinct level, and thus make it comparable to the voter registration data, I relied upon the help of a colleague of mine, Dr. Paul Sutton of the Geography Department at the University of Denver. Sutton used district shape files –electronic records denoting the precise geographical dimensions of a precinct, district, county, or other level of analysis – to aggregate the relevant racial statistics at the precinct level. This allowed me to compare the racial characteristics of precincts with the percentage of voters in each precinct designated as “Inactive – Failed to Vote” (henceforth “IFTV”). These individuals are those who did not vote in the 2010 general elections and are thus deemed inactive.

I have assembled a series of scatterplots, which are displayed in Figure 1 toward the end of this report. These scatterplots compare the percentage of each district that is Hispanic or African American with the percentage of voters labeled as IFTV. Each data point in the graph represents a precinct. (Precincts in Colorado vary in size but contain an average of 1,200 voters.) The first row of scatterplots shows the relationships between these variables in Denver precincts. Both racial variables have strong positive relationships with IFTV status; the more Hispanics or African Americans in a precinct, the greater percentage of voters with IFTV status.

I performed an ordinary least squares (OLS) regression analysis of the relationship between IFTV status and the race variables. OLS is a relatively simple form of regression analysis that is quite common across the social sciences. The analysis confirms that the relationship is strong and very unlikely to be the result of chance alone. Both racial variables correlate with IFTV status to a degree that is considered highly statistically significant. This significance level is  $p \leq .001$ , traditionally the highest level of statistical significance reported in the social sciences. (This indicates that we would observe such a relationship by chance less than one time in a thousand.)

The same relationship appears in the scatterplots for Pueblo County precincts, shown in the second row of figures. Again, the higher percentage of a district that is African American or Hispanic, the more voters are likely to have IFTV status. This relationship is statistically significant at the  $p \leq .001$  level for Hispanics and at the  $p \leq .05$  level for African Americans.

The bottom row of scatterplots shows the relationship for all the precincts I received. These come from 41 of the state's 64 counties. The same results are obtained. Both racial variables are strongly and positive correlated with IFTV status. These results are both statistically significant at the  $p \leq .001$  level. The results at the statewide level suggest that for each additional ten percent of a precinct's population that is African American, we can expect the percent of IFTV residents to rise by 1.6 percentage points. Similarly, a ten-percent increase in the precinct's Hispanic proportion is associated with a 1.3-point rise in the percent of IFTV voters.

We can see a geographic representation of these trends within the city and county of Denver in Figure 2. These maps, produced by Dr. Sutton, show all the Denver



precincts and are color-coded by race and IFTV status. In particular, the percent Hispanic map looks a great deal like the percent IFTV map, with more Hispanic areas of the county much more likely to have high numbers of IFTV voters. The percent white map is essentially the inverse of the IFTV map, with whiter areas of the city much less likely to have high numbers of IFTV voters. These maps are consistent with the regression analysis reported above.

One concern about drawing conclusions from the above analysis is that using precinct-level data to make inferences about individual-level behavior is potentially misleading. Analyzing data at one level of analysis to make judgments about another level is known as *ecological inference*, and it is actually quite common in the sciences. Political scientists make inferences about voting behavior based on county-level statistics; epidemiologists make inferences about individual-level disease transmission based on neighborhood-level statistics, etc. There is nothing inherently wrong with doing this, but in some circumstances, it can lead to incorrect conclusions, as sometimes happens when, say, political observers make assumptions about residents of states based on the aggregate voting patterns of those states (i.e.: “red state” voters vs. “blue state” voters). Such ecological inference fallacies are unlikely to occur when the aggregated groups are precincts – which are of roughly equal size and are generally drawn without attention to particular characteristics of the residents within them. Nonetheless, I conducted further analysis to minimize some of the potential problems associated with ecological inference.

Statisticians and political scientists have developed a number of useful solutions to the ecological inference problem. Software packages designed for this purpose

essentially develop bounds for the likelihood of individual characteristics producing the aggregate statistics we observe in our data. The software generally produces estimates for the most probable individual-level distributions given the aggregate-level data we observe. I used the software package Eco, designed by Princeton political scientists Kosuke Imai and Aaron Strauss and University of Colorado sociologist Ying Lu, to derive estimates of the underlying percentages of voters who are listed as IFTV in different racial groups. The Eco program is broadly accepted within political science as an effective and straightforward approach to dealing with ecological inference problems. The software begins with reasonable starting values for these statistics (essentially guesses at the underlying racial and IFTV breakdowns derived from the aggregate level statistics) and then makes comparisons and adjustments across different precincts to pursue the most likely outcomes.

These methods have been tested in numerous political science research environments and found to be highly reliable. For example, this software was tested using a dataset of voter registration and racial composition data in counties in four southern states; Eco was used to estimate the voter registration levels for African American and white voters. In this case, the actual voter registration statistics were known, and turned out to be precisely within the estimated ranges calculated by Eco.

I used this software to compare IFTV rates among white voters versus nonwhite voters. (Given the data available to me, nonwhite voters consist only of Hispanics and African Americans.) The results of this analysis estimate that 9.6 percent of white voters are currently listed as IFTV. This estimate has a 0.15 percentage-point standard deviation, meaning that we can be 95 percent certain that the true percentage of whites listed as

IFTV lies between 9.3 and 9.9 percent. Conversely, 29.1 percent of nonwhite voters were listed as IFTV, and we can be 95 percent certain that the true figure lies between 27.8 and 30.3 percent. To break down the figures further by racial groups, 37 percent of African Americans and 28 percent of Hispanics were estimated to be listed as IFTV.

Needless to say, these figures represent stark differences in IFTV status across racial groups. If mail-in ballots were mailed out based on IFTV status, roughly one in ten whites would not receive a ballot, but roughly one in three nonwhites would not receive one.

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Figure 1 - Scatterplots

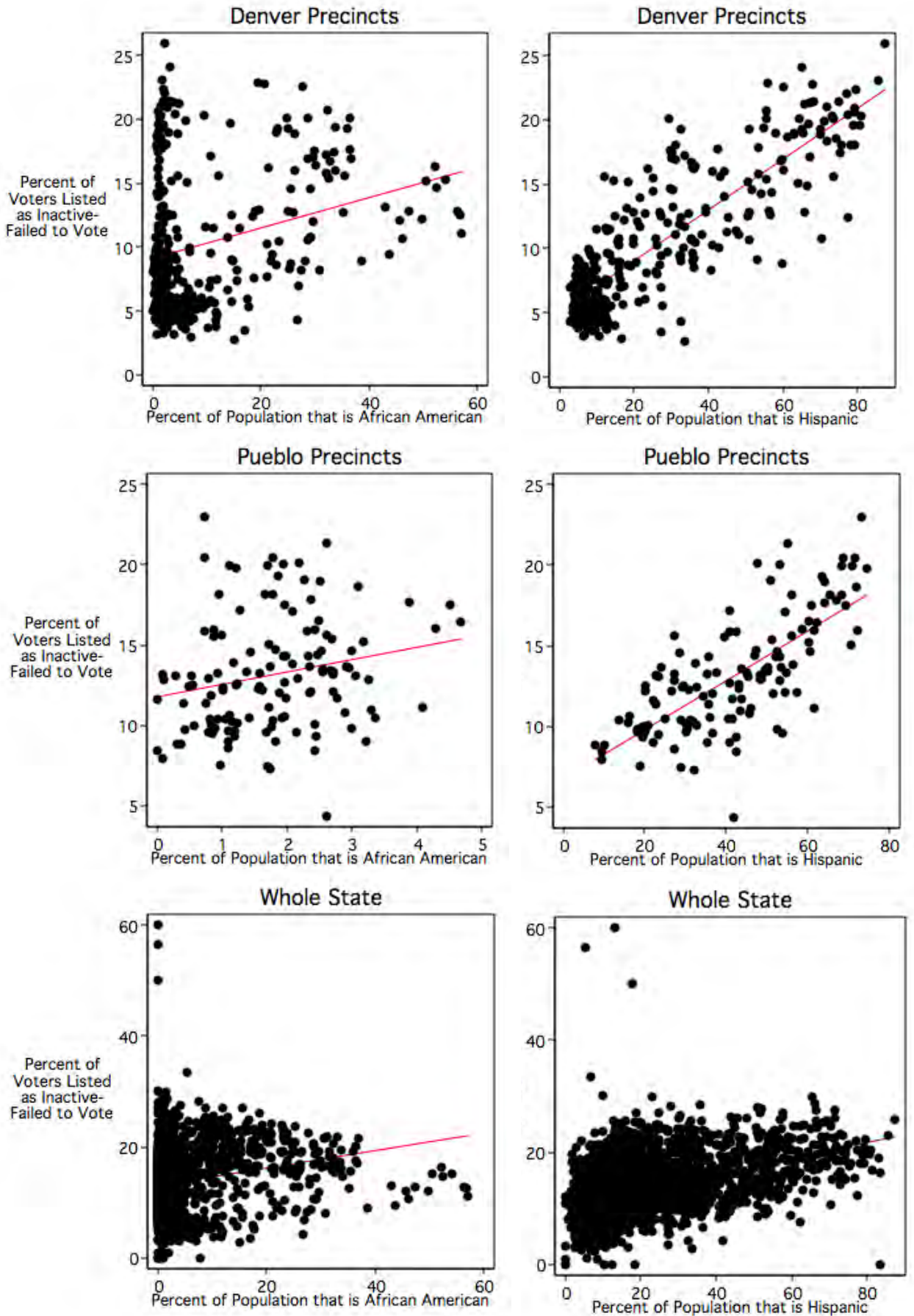


Figure 2 – Denver Precinct Maps

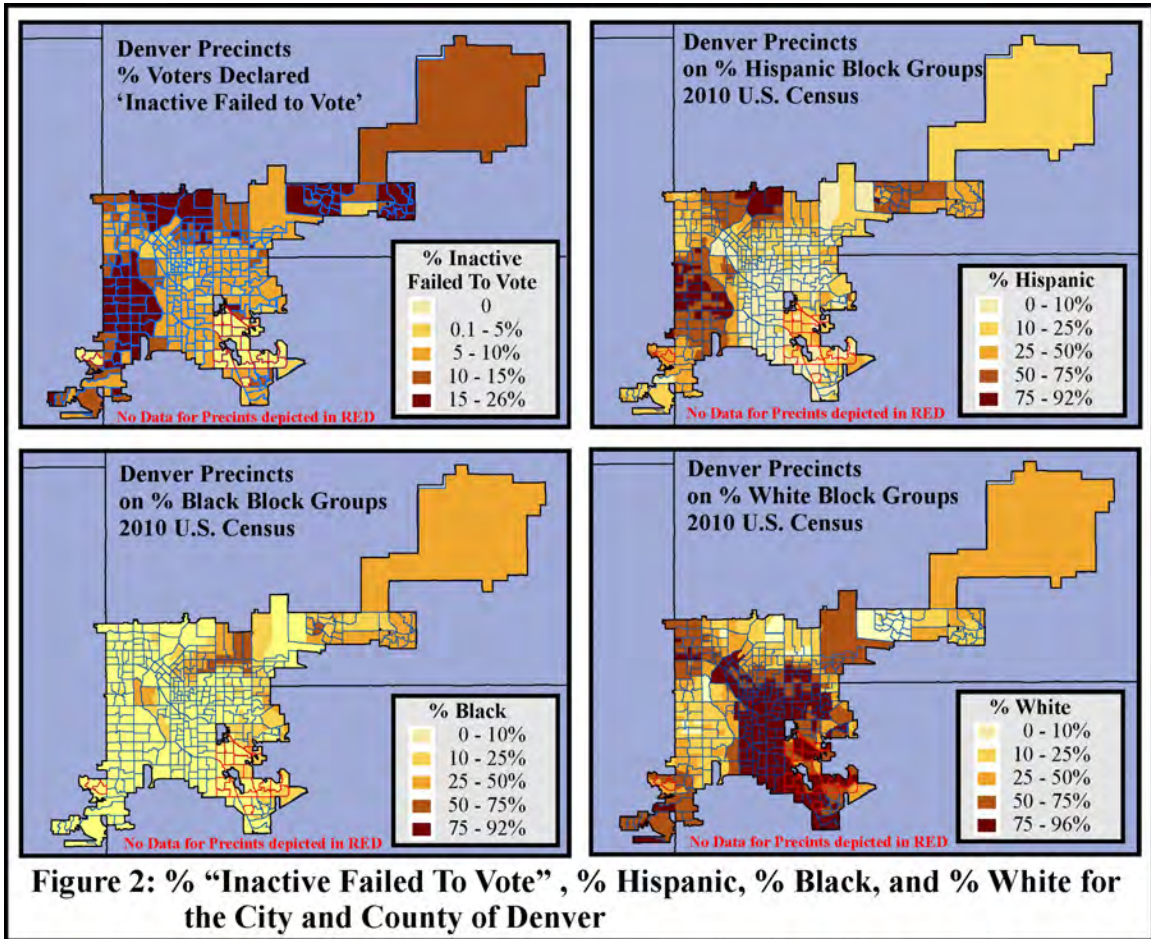


Figure 2: % "Inactive Failed To Vote", % Hispanic, % Black, and % White for the City and County of Denver



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## EDUCATION

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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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- Chair, Department of Political Science, University of Denver, September 2012 – present  
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## BOOK

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2009. *No Middle Ground: How Informal Party Organizations Control Nominations and Polarize Legislatures*, Ann Arbor: The University of Michigan Press.

## JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

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2012. With Kathleen Bawn, Marty Cohen, David Karol, Hans Noel, and John Zaller, “A Theory of Parties: Groups, Policy Demands and Nominations in American Politics,” *Perspectives on Politics*, 10 (3): 571-97.
2012. With Michael Heaney, Joanne Miller, and Dara Strolovitch, “Polarized Networks: The Organizational Affiliations of National Party Convention Delegates,” *American Behavioral Scientist* (forthcoming).
2012. With Brendan Nyhan, Eric McGhee, John Sides, and Steven Greene, “One Vote Out of Step? The Effects of Salient Roll Call Votes in the 2010 Election,” *American Politics Research* 40 (5): 844-79.
2012. With Jonathan Winburn and Gerald C. Wright, “The Gerrymanderers Are Coming! Legislative Redistricting Won't Affect Competition or Polarization Much, No Matter Who Does It,” *PS: Political Science and Politics* 45 (1): 39-43.

2012. With David Dulio and Richard Skinner, "527 Committees and the Political Party Network," *American Politics Research* 40 (1): 60-84.
2012. With Hans Noel, "Serving Two Masters: Using Referenda to Assess Partisan vs. Dyadic Legislative Representation," *Political Research Quarterly* 65 (1): 104-123.
2011. "The Circus That Wasn't: The Republican Party's Quest for Order in the 2003 California Gubernatorial Recall," *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* 11 (2): 123-47.
2010. "Academics Outside the Academy," *The Forum* 8 (3), article 7.
2010. With Gregory Koger and Hans Noel. "Cooperative Party Factions in American Politics," *American Politics Research* 38: 33-53.
2009. "Did Obama's Ground Game Matter? The Influence of Local Field Offices During the 2008 Presidential Election," *Public Opinion Quarterly* 73: 1023-1039
2009. With Gregory Koger and Hans Noel. "Partisan Webs: Information Exchange and Party Networks," *The British Journal of Political Science*, 39: 633-653.
2008. "Where You Sit is Where You Stand: The Impact of Seating Proximity on Legislative Cue-Taking," *The Quarterly Journal of Political Science* 3: 301-311.
2007. "It Takes an Outsider: Extra-legislative Organization And Partisanship In The California Assembly, 1849-2006," *The American Journal of Political Science* 51: 482-497.
2007. With Jeffrey B. Lewis. "A Return to Normalcy? Revisiting the Effects of Term Limits on Competitiveness and Spending in California Assembly Elections," *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*, 7: 20-38.
2007. With Thad Kousser and Jeffrey B. Lewis. "Ideological Adaptation? The Survival Instinct of Threatened Legislators," *The Journal of Politics*, 69: 828-84
2005. "Data Entry: Going Pro," *The Political Methodologist*, vol. 3 (Fall), pp. 19-20
2002. "The Emergence of Unofficial Party Organizations in California," *Spectrum: The Journal of State Politics*, vol. 75 (Fall), pp. 29-33.
2001. With Shanto Iyengar and Daniel H. Lowenstein. "The Stealth Campaign: Experimental Studies of Slate Mail in California," *Journal of Law and Politics*, vol. 17 (Spring).

## BOOK CHAPTERS

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2012. "The Networked Party: How Social Network Analysis is Revolutionizing the Study of Political Parties," in La Raja, Ray, ed., *New Directions: Political Parties*, Routledge (forthcoming).
2012. "Party Networks: An Annotated Bibliography," in *Oxford Bibliographies Online*, Oxford University Press (forthcoming).



2012. “Resolved: States Should Require Open Primaries. Con Argument,” in Ellis, Richard, and Michael Nelson, eds. *Debating Reform: Conflicting Perspectives on How to Fix the American Political System*, Congressional Quarterly (forthcoming).
2011. “The Perils of Holding a Tea Party at High Altitude: Colorado’s Senate and Gubernatorial Races in 2010,” in Sabato, Larry, J., *Pendulum Swing*, Longman.
2011. “Colorado’s Central Role in the 2008 Presidential Election Cycle,” in Daum, Courtenay, Robert Duffy and John Straayer, eds., *State of Change: Colorado Politics in the Twenty-first Century*, The University Press of Colorado.
2009. “Painting the High Plains Blue: Musgrave vs. Markey in Colorado’s 4th Congressional District,” in Adkins, Randall, and David Dulio, eds., *Cases in Congressional Campaigns: Incumbents Playing Defense*, Routledge Press.

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

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- Book project: “The Inevitable Party: How Political Parties Survive Attempts to Kill Them.” This project investigates reform efforts designed to rein in or ban parties in several different states and examines how the parties managed to adapt to and even thrive amidst the new laws. Five of eight chapters have been written.
- “Buying Extremists? Public Funding, Parties, and Polarization in Maine and Arizona,” with Michael Miller. To be submitted shortly to *Political Research Quarterly*.
- “Polarization without Parties: Term Limits and Legislative Partisanship in Nebraska’s Unicameral Legislature,” with Boris Shor. To be submitted shortly to *American Journal of Political Science*
- “527 Committees, Formal Parties and the Party Networks,” with Richard Skinner and David Dulio. Currently under revise and resubmit with *Interest Groups and Advocacy*.
- “Caucuses, Group Consciousness, and Factionalism among Democratic Party Delegates,” with Michael Heaney, Joanne Miller, and Dara Strolovitch. Under review with *Party Politics*.
- “A Primary Cause of Partisanship? Nomination Systems and Legislator Ideology,” with Nolan McCarty, Eric McGhee, Steve Rogers, and Boris Shor. To be submitted shortly to *American Journal of Political Science*.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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- Best Conference Paper, APSA State Politics and Policy Section, 2012 (with Boris Shor)
- Best Conference Paper, APSA Political Organizations and Parties Section, 2010 (with Michael Heaney, Joanne Miller & Dara Strolovitch)
- Allan Saxe Award for Best Paper on State and Local Politics, Southwest Political Science Association, 2010

Best Conference Paper, APSA Political Organizations and Parties Section, 2009 (with David Dulio & Richard Skinner)

Emerging Scholar Award, APSA Political Organizations and Parties Section, 2008

Best Graduate Student Conference Paper, APSA State Politics and Policy Section, 2003

Best Paper on Blacks and Politics, Western Political Science Association, 2001 (with Franklin Gilliam)

## GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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National Science Foundation, Small Grant for Exploratory Research (\$16,371), 2008-09

Center for Community Engagement and Service Learning (\$2,000), University of Denver, 2008

Professional Research Opportunities for Faculty (PROF) award (\$14,050), University of Denver, 2005-07

Faculty Research Fund award (\$2,308), University of Denver, 2005-06

Dissertation Year Fellowship, UCLA Graduate Division, 2003-04

National Science Foundation, Doctoral Dissertation Research Support Grant (\$12,000), 2002-03

Advanced Graduate Student Travel Grant, American Political Science Association, 2002, 2003

Marks-Gelber Fellowship, UCLA Department of Political Science, 2001-02

Four-year Pauley Fellowship, UCLA, 1997-2001

## INVITED LECTURES

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California State University Channel Islands, October 2012

California Alumni Association, Lair of the Golden Bear, Pinecrest, CA, July 2012

University of California at Santa Barbara, Department of Political Science, May 2012

Center for the Study of Democratic Politics, Princeton University, April 2012

Rose Community Foundation, Denver, June 2011

Northwestern University, May 2011

University of Nebraska at Lincoln, February 2011

American Petroleum Institute, September 2010

University of California at Berkeley, Institute for Governmental Studies, April 2010

University of California at Davis, April 2010

University of Colorado at Denver, November 2009

Public Policy Institute of California, May 2008

University of Colorado at Boulder, April 2008 and March 2010

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND SERVICE

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Host Co-Chair, 2012 Political Networks Conference, Boulder, CO.

Editorial Board Member, *Legislative Studies Quarterly* (2012-15) and *California Journal of Politics and Policy* (2010-present).

APSA Political Organizations and Parties Section, Leon Epstein Book Prize Committee, 2012.

APSA State Politics and Policy Section, Best Book Award Founding Committee, 2012.

Colorado Advisor, Key Votes Program, Project Vote Smart (2011-present).

Political Networks Conference, NSF Program Funding Committee, 2011.

APSA Political Organizations and Parties Section, Best Paper Award Committee, 2011.

Membership Chair, Political Networks Section, American Political Science Association, 2009-2011.

Program Chair, Parties and Interest Groups, Southwest Political Science Association, 2010.

Program Co-Chair, Political Organizations and Parties, American Political Science Association, 2008.

Discussant, Midwest Political Science Association, 2003, 2004, 2006-2012.

Discussant, American Political Science Association, 2006-2011.

Reviewer for *The American Journal of Political Science*, *The American Political Science Review*, *American Politics Research*, *The Journal of Policy History*, *The Journal of Politics*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Polity*, *Election Law Journal*, and *State Politics & Policy Quarterly*

## SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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“Is the Electoral Connection Necessary? Ideological Caucuses and Formal Legislative Parties in Minnesota,” presented at the annual conference of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, IL, April 14, 2012.

“What’s the Matter with Arizona? Public Funding, Parties, Primaries, and Polarization” (with Michael Miller), presented at the annual conference of the Southern Political Science Association in New Orleans, LA, January 12, 2012.

- “Polarization without Parties: The Rise of Legislative Partisanship in Nebraska’s Unicameral Legislature” (with Boris Shor), presented at the annual conference on Political Networks in Ann Arbor, MI, June 18, 2011.
- “When One Vote Matters: The Electoral Impact of Roll Call Votes in the 2010 Congressional Elections” (with Steven Greene), presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, IL, April 2, 2011.
- “A Primary Cause of Partisanship? Nomination Systems and Legislator Ideology” (with Eric McGhee, Boris Shor, and Nolan McCarty), presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association in Washington, DC, September 3, 2010.
- “Gender Consciousness Through a Partisan Lens: Convention Delegates’ Evaluations of Hillary Clinton and Sarah Palin (with Dara Strolovitch, Michael Heaney, Joanne Miller, and Elizabeth Sharrow), presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association in Washington, DC, September 4, 2010.
- “The New Style: How Colorado’s Democratic Party Survived and Thrived Amidst Reform,” presented at the annual State Politics and Policy Conference in Springfield, Illinois, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010.
- “The Agreement Score: Legislative Networks and Ideology” (with Betsy Sinclair, Jennifer Victor, and Gregory Koger), presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois, April 22, 2010.
- “Networking the Parties: A Comparative Study of Democratic and Republican National Convention Delegates in 2008” (with Michael Heaney, Joanne Miller, and Dara Strolovitch), presented at State of the Parties: 2008 and Beyond. Ray C. Bliss Institute of Applied Politics, Cuyahoga Falls, OH, 2009.
- “527 Committees and the Political Party Network” (with David Dulio and Richard Skinner), presented at the Harvard Political Networks Conference in Cambridge, Massachusetts, June 12, 2009.
- “Healing the Rift? Social Networks and Reconciliation between Obama and Clinton Convention Delegates in 2008” (with Michael Heaney, Joanne Miller, and Dara Strolovitch), presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois, April 4, 2009.
- “The Influence of Campaign Field Offices During the 2008 Presidential Election,” presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois, April 6, 2009.
- “The Circus That Wasn’t: How the Parties Lent Order to the 2003 California Recall Election,” presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois, April 6, 2008.
- “How Out of Step? Measuring Differences in Voter and Legislator Preferences” (with Hans Noel), presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois, April 4, 2008.

- “The Needs of the Many: An Examination of the Link Between Size of Place and Partisanship,” presented at Politics through the Lens of Parties: A Conference in Memory of Leon Epstein, Madison, Wisconsin, April 27, 2007.
- “The Limits of the Gerrymander: Examining the Impact of Redistricting on Electoral Competition and Legislative Polarization” (with Jonathan Winburn and Gerald Wright). Annual conference on State Politics and Policy. Lubbock, Texas, 2006. Annual conference of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 2006.
- “Where You Sit is Where You Stand: Measuring the Impact of Seating Proximity on Legislative Voting,” presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois, April 22, 2006.
- “Family Squabbles? Cooperative Party Factions in American Politics” (with Gregory Koger and Hans Noel). Presented at State of the Parties: 2004 and Beyond. Ray C. Bliss Institute of Applied Politics, Akron, OH, 2005.
- “Did California’s Recall Turn its Legislators into Girlie-Men?” (with Thad Kousser and Jeffrey Lewis). American Political Science Association. Chicago, Illinois, 2004.
- “The True Character of Politicians.” American Political Science Association. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 2003.
- “Race of Candidate and Voter Preferences: An Experimental Study of Campaign Cues” (with Franklin D. Gilliam, Jr., and Kenny J. Whitby). Western Political Science Association. Las Vegas, Nevada, 2001.
- “From Party Bosses to Public Servants: The Impact of the Seventeenth Amendment on Senators in their Committees.” Western Political Science Association. San Jose, California, 2000.

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- Elected Faculty Committee, University of Denver (2010-13)
- Pi Sigma Alpha, advisor (2009-present)
- Faculty Senate, University of Denver (2005-08)
- Marsico Internship Program, Committee Member, University of Denver (2004-2006)
- Friends and Faculty Committee, University of Denver (2004-05)
- Coordinator, UCLA Pieces of the Craft Seminar Series (2001-03)
- UCLA Graduate Studies Council (1999-2001)

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Polling Consultant, 1998-2001

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