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Academic Background

California Institute of Technology, Ph.D. (expected June 2009), Social Science
Dissertation Title: Sequential Primary Elections and Political Representation (Chair: R. Michael Alvarez)

California Institute of Technology, M.S., 2006

Hope College, B.A., *magna cum laude*, Accounting, 2002

Publications

Peer Reviewed

"On American Voter Confidence" With R. Michael Alvarez and Thad E. Hall. *Arkansas Law Review*, forthcoming.

"Are Americans Confident Their Ballots Are Counted?" With R. Michael Alvarez and Thad E. Hall. *Journal of Politics*, Vol. 70, No. 3, 2008, 754-766.

"Who Should Run Elections in the United States?" With R. Michael Alvarez and Thad E. Hall. *Policy Studies Journal*, Vol. 36, No. 3, 2008, 325-346.

"How Hard Can It Be: Do Citizens Think It Is Difficult to Register to Vote?" With R. Michael Alvarez and Thad E. Hall. *Stanford Law & Policy Review*, Vol. 18, No. 349, 2007, 382-409.

Other (non-peer reviewed)

"American Confidence in Electronic Voting and Ballot Counting: A Pre-Election Update." With R. Michael Alvarez and Thad E. Hall.

"The New Mexico Election Administration Report: The 2006 November General Election: Part 1 Election Day Voting." With R. Michael Alvarez, Lonna Rae Atkeson, Jose Garcia, Ray Martinez III, Ray Sadler, and Steven Samford.

Papers Under Peer Review

"Voter Confidence in Context and the Effect of Winning." With R. Michael Alvarez and Thad E. Hall.

Manuscripts in Progress

"Rules, Procedures and Information Aggregation in Spatial Committees: Experiments and Models." With Charles R. Plott

"Costs and Rules: Candidate Behavior in Presidential Primaries."

"Transforming Individual Contributions: Charity Events, Political Campaigns, and Individual Contributions to Political Candidates."

"Not What You Might Think: Shifts in the Distribution of Voters and the Probability of Winning the U.S. Presidency".

Professional Presentations

"Eliminating Partisan Competition Through Primary Structure." Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 2008.

"Rules, Procedures and the Design of Information Aggregation Procedures in Spatial Committees: Experiments and Models." Twenty-fifth Political Methodology Conference, July 2008.

"Not What You Might Think: Shifts in the Distribution of Voters and the Probability of Winning the U.S. Presidency". Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2008

"Transforming Individual Contributions: Resources to Campaign Contributions". Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2008

Professional Presentations *Continued*

"Survey Research in Voter Confidence" Caltech/MIT Voting Technology Project Symposium, March 2008.

Discussant. Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2007.

Teaching Experience

Guest Lecturer Political Science 202-C. Spring 2008.

Guest Lecturer Political Science 120. Fall 2007.

Guest Lecturer Political Science 120. Fall 2006.

Teaching Assistant for Political Science 141 Spring 2005.

Teaching Assistant for Law 33 Winter 2005.

Teaching Assistant for Business Economics and Management 101 (Introduction to Accounting) Fall 2004.

Teaching & Research Interests

Formal political theory

Experimental methods in political science

Quantitative methods in political science

Design of U.S. Presidential Primaries

Political Behavior

Empirical testing of formal models

Manuscript Referee:

Journal of Politics

Professional Associations

American Political Science Association

Midwest Political Science Association

Other Relevant Experiences

Member of Caltech/MIT Voting Technology Project 2008-2005

Member of New Mexico post election audit team 2008

Observer Iowa presidential caucus 2008

Election day observer 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005

Plante & Moran LLP, staff auditor, 2002-2003