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EMPLOYMENT	California State University, Fresno Assistant Professor of Political Science (Starting August 2016) Virginia Commonwealth University Instructor of Political Science, January 2016 - July 2016	
EDUCATION	University of South Carolina Ph.D., Political Science (Expected: Spring 2016) <i>Dissertation: "The Impact of Precedent in a Judicial Hierarchy."</i> <i>Advisors: Kirk A. Randazzo & Donald R. Songer (co-chairs)</i> M.A., Political Science, 2013 <i>Fields: American Politics, Judicial Politics, Research Methodology</i> Georgia State University B.A., Political Science, 2010 <i>Summa Cum Laude, Highest Honors in Political Science</i> University of Georgia B.B.A., Economics, 2006 <i>Thesis: "The Effects of Quota Elimination: A Game-Theoretic Analysis."</i> <i>Advisor: William J. Phillips</i>	
EMPIRICAL TRAINING	Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models - Duke University EITM Summer Institute, 2014 Inter-University Consortium of Political and Social Research - University of Michigan ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, 2013 <i>Courses: Game Theory, Advanced Game Theory, Bayesian Statistics, Advanced Bayesian Modeling</i> University of South Carolina <i>Courses: Linear Regression, Maximum Likelihood Estimation, Advanced Maximum Likelihood Estimation, Dynamic Models of Space and Time, Qualitative Analysis</i>	
RESEARCH INTERESTS	American Institutions, Decision Making in the U.S. Supreme Court, Judicial Impact, Lower Court Responses to Supreme Court, Strategic Behavior in Judicial Hierarchy, Separation of Power Constraints, Decision Making in Comparative Courts, Bayesian Analysis, Improving Statistical Inference	
PUBLICATIONS	Peer-Reviewed Article Masood, Ali S. and Donald R. Songer. 2013. "Reevaluating the Implications of Decision-Making Models: The Role of Summary Decisions in U.S. Supreme Court Analysis." <i>Journal of Law and Courts</i> 1(2): 363-389. Encyclopedia Entry Masood, Ali S. 2013. "Oligopoly." <i>Encyclopedia of White-Collar and Corporate Crime</i> , 2nd Edition. Lawrence M. Salinger, J. Geoffrey Golson, eds. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications (15) 675-677.	

BOOK PROJECT	Songer, Donald R., Ali S. Masood, and Stefanie A. Lindquist. <i>The Gravitic Model of Judicial Decision Making. In progress (Prospectus & NSF proposal available)</i>
MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW & WORKING PAPERS	<p>Masood, Ali S., Benjamin J. Kassow, and Donald R. Songer. "The Aggregate Dynamics of Lower Court Responses to the U.S. Supreme Court." <i>Invited to Revise & Resubmit</i></p> <p>Masood, Ali S., Benjamin J. Kassow, and Donald R. Songer. "Supreme Court Precedent in a Judicial Hierarchy." <i>Invited to Revise & Resubmit</i></p> <p>Masood, Ali S. and Monica E. Lineberger. "United Kingdom, United Courts? Hierarchical Responses to Precedent in the British Judiciary." <i>Under Review</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">★ <i>Winner, 2015 Best Graduate Student Paper Award, Law & Courts Section, American Political Science Association</i></p> <p>Masood, Ali S. and Benjamin J. Kassow. "The Influence of Individual Justices on U.S. Supreme Court Responses to Precedent." <i>Under Review</i></p> <p>Masood, Ali S. "The Impact of Supreme Court Signaling on the U.S. Courts of Appeals." <i>Under Review</i></p> <p>Masood, Ali S. and Kirk A. Randazzo. "Supreme Court Summary Decisions and Lower Court Compliance: Re-examining the Principal-Agent Model in a Judicial Hierarchy." <i>Revising for Submission</i></p> <p>Masood, Ali S., Monica E. Lineberger, and Benjamin J. Kassow. "Modeling and Improving Inferences with Count Outcomes." <i>Revising for Submission</i></p> <p>Masood, Ali S. "The Influence of Supreme Court Majority Opinion Authorship on Lower Court Responses to Precedent."</p> <p>Masood, Ali S. "Revisiting Collegial Courts: A Time-Series Analysis of Consensus and Dissensus in the U.S. Courts of Appeals."</p>
CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS	<p>Masood Ali S. "The Dynamics of U.S. Supreme Court Auditing of the U.S. Courts of Appeals." To be presented at the meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. April 7-10, 2016.</p> <p>Masood, Ali S. and Monica E. Lineberger "Precedents in High Courts: A Cross-National Analysis of Hierarchical Relationships in the United States, Canada, and the United Kingdom." Presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. San Juan, PR. January 7-9, 2016.</p> <p>Johnson, Susan W., Donald R. Songer, and Ali S. Masood. "The Influence of Trailblazer Women on the U.S., Canadian, and English Intermediate Appellate Courts." Presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. San Juan, PR. January 7-9, 2016.</p> <p>Masood Ali S. "The Impact of Supreme Court Precedent in a Judicial Hierarchy." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association. San Francisco, CA. Sep 2-6, 2015. <i>Dissertation Chapter & Job Market Paper</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">★ <i>Winner, 2015 Best Overall Oral Research Presentation, The Graduate School, University of South Carolina</i></p> <p>Masood Ali S. "Precedent in a Hierarchy: The Impact of Supreme Court Signaling on the U.S. Courts of Appeals." Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. April 16-19, 2015.</p> <p>Masood Ali S. "Supreme Court Signaling and the Hierarchical Impact of Precedent." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association. Washington, D.C. Aug 28-31, 2014.</p>

Masood Ali S., Monica E. Lineberger, and Benjamin J. Kassow. "Improving Inferences with Count Outcomes." Presented at the meeting of the Society for Political Methodology. Athens, GA. July 24-26, 2014.

Masood Ali S. and Donald R. Songer. "The Importance of Circuits: Appeals Court Responses to Supreme Court Precedent." Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. April 3-6, 2014.

Masood, Ali S. and Monica E. Lineberger. "United Kingdom, United Courts? Hierarchical Compliance in the English Judiciary." Presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. New Orleans, LA. January 9-11, 2014.

Masood, Ali S. and Benjamin J. Kassow. "The Influence of Justices on U.S. Supreme Court Precedent." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. August 29 - September 1, 2013.

Masood, Ali S., Benjamin J. Kassow, and Donald R. Songer. "Law, Precedent, and Policy: The Effect of Legally Salient Precedent on U.S. Supreme Court Treatment." Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. April 11-14, 2013.

Masood, Ali S. "Deciding How to Decide: Re-evaluating Decision-Making Stages in the U.S. Supreme Court." Presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. Orlando, FL. January 3-5, 2013.

Masood, Ali S. and Donald R. Songer. "A Cross-National Analysis of Gender Effects on Judicial Outcomes." Presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. Orlando, FL. January 3-5, 2013.

Masood, Ali S. and Benjamin J. Kassow. "Uncertain Compliance, Salient Decisions? Compliance with U.S. Supreme Court Decisions." Prepared for the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association. New Orleans, LA. August 30 - September 2, 2012.

Masood, Ali S., Benjamin J. Kassow, and Donald R. Songer. "Legal Salience and the Impact of Supreme Court Precedent on the Courts Below." Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. April 12-15, 2012.

Masood, Ali S. and Kirk A. Randazzo. "Supreme Court Summary Decisions and Lower Court Compliance: Reexamining the Principal-Agent Model in a Judicial Hierarchy." Presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. New Orleans, LA. January 12-14, 2012.

Masood, Ali S. and Donald R. Songer. "Was the Rehnquist Court Really Conservative?" Presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. New Orleans, LA. January 12-14, 2012.

INVITED
PRESENTATION

Lineberger, Monica E. and Ali S. Masood. "Reconsidering Judicial Selection: Court Composition and Why it Matters." Paper presented at the Normative Implications of Empirical Research on Law and Courts Workshop sponsored by the National Science Foundation. George Washington University. Washington, D.C. May 10, 2013.

RESEARCH
GRANT

SPARC (Support to Promote Advancement of Research and Creativity) Grant (#13570-13-32833), \$4975 (Inaugural University-Wide Award), "Deciding How to Decide: Re-evaluating the Stages of Decision-Making in the U.S. Supreme Court." Office of Vice President for Research, University of South Carolina, 2013.

AWARDS &
FELLOWSHIPS

George M. Reeves Trustee Fellowship (University-Wide Award), The Graduate School, University of South Carolina, 2015-2016
Dean's Dissertation Fellowship, \$25000 (College-Wide Award), College of Arts & Sciences, University of South Carolina, 2015-2016
Thurmond-Atwater Fellowship in Political Science (Department-Wide Award), College of Arts & Sciences, University of South Carolina, 2013-2015
Graduate Assistantship, Department of Political Science, University of South Carolina, 2010-2015
APSA Graduate Travel Grant, American Political Science Association, 2013, 2015
Harrell Rodgers Scholarship Award & Medal, Midwest Political Science Association, 2015
PolMeth Conference Grant, Society for Political Methodology & National Science Foundation, 2014
EITM Scholarship, Summer Institute at Duke University, National Science Foundation, 2014
EITM Certification Scholarship to Attend ICPSR, National Science Foundation, 2013
West Forum Fellowship, Department of Political Science, University of South Carolina, 2013
Prestage-Cook Award, Southern Political Science Association, 2013
Travel Grant, Graduate School, University of South Carolina, 2012, 2013, 2014
Travel Grant, Department of Political Science, University of South Carolina, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015
Summer Research Fellowship, Department of Political Science, University of South Carolina, 2012

HONORS &
DISTINCTIONS

Best Graduate Student Paper Award, Law & Courts Section, American Political Science Assoc., 2015
Best Graduate Student Award, Department of Political Science, University of South Carolina, 2015
Best Overall Oral Research Presentation, The Graduate School, University of South Carolina, 2015
Preparing Future Faculty (PFF) Certification, Graduate School, University of South Carolina, 2013
EITM Certification for 2013 ICPSR Summer Program, EITM Institute, 2013
Panel Winner in Social Sciences, The Graduate School, University of South Carolina, 2013, 2015
Best Paper Award, Political Science Graduate Conference, University of South Carolina, 2013
Highest Honors in Political Science, *Summa Cum Laude*, Georgia State University, 2010
President's List (4.0 Undergraduate GPA), Georgia State University, 2010
Pi Sigma Alpha, Nu Phi Chapter, National Political Science Honor Society, 2010

RESEARCH
EXPERIENCE

Summer Research Assistant, Professor Donald R. Songer, 2011, 2012
Research Assistant, Professor Donald R. Songer, Spring 2011, Fall 2011, Spring 2012, Fall 2012

TEACHING
INTERESTS

American Government, Civil Liberties, Constitutional Law, Comparative Courts, Introduction to Politics, Judicial Politics, Judicial Process, Law & Public Policy, Seminar on the U.S. Supreme Court, Game Theory, Research Design, Linear Regression, Maximum Likelihood Estimation, Time-Series Analysis

TEACHING
EXPERIENCE

Introduction to American Government, Instructor, Virginia Commonwealth University, Spring 2016
Courts and Politics, Instructor, Virginia Commonwealth University, Spring 2016
Senior Capstone Seminar, Instructor, Virginia Commonwealth University, Spring 2016
Introduction to Comparative Politics, Instructor, University of South Carolina, Summer 2015
Introduction to Politics, Instructor, University of South Carolina, Fall 2013, Fall 2014
The U.S. Supreme Court, Instructor, University of South Carolina, Spring 2014, Spring 2015
Regression Analysis, Teaching Assistant, University of South Carolina, Spring 2013
Constitutional Law, Teaching Assistant, University of South Carolina, Fall 2012
Civil Liberties, Teaching Assistant, University of South Carolina, Spring 2012
Elections and Voting, Teaching Assistant, University of South Carolina, Spring 2011
American Government, Teaching Assistant, University of South Carolina, Fall 2011

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE
 President, Political Science Graduate Students Organization, 2013-2014
 Program Committee, U.S.C. Political Science Graduate Conference, 2012-2014
 Organizer, Graphics & Presentation Workshop, Spring 2014
 Presenter, Improving Theoretical Accounts, Graduate Research Workshop, Spring 2014
 Presenter, Introduction to \LaTeX , Graphics & Presentation Workshop, Spring 2014, Fall 2014
 Organizer, Political Science Graduate Students Methods Meeting Group, 2012-2014
 Peer Mentor, First-Year Graduate Students, 2011-2016
 Member, Judicial Research Initiative (JuRI), 2010-2016
 Member, Rule of Law Collaborative, 2010-2016
 Vice President, Political Science Graduate Students Organization, 2012-2013
 Secretary, Political Science Graduate Students Organization, 2011-2012
 Editorial Assistant, Department of Political Science Newsletter, 2010-2011

UNIVERSITY SERVICE
 Undergraduate Advisor and Co-PI, Christopher Santos, "The Impact of Ideology on U.S. Courts of Appeals Responses to the U.S. Supreme Court." Magellan Scholar Grant (#13570-16-40936), \$3000, Office of Undergraduate Research, University of South Carolina, 2015
 Undergraduate Advisor, Nick Fowler & Gray Random (Co-winners), "The Attitudinal Model and Dissenting Opinions." Undergraduate Research Discovery Day, University of South Carolina, 2015
 Judge, "Undergraduate Research Discovery Day", University of South Carolina, 2014

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE
 Manuscript Referee, *American Politics Research* and *Journal of Law and Courts*

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS
 American Political Science Association
 Law & Courts Section
 Political Methodology Section
 Midwest Political Science Association
 Southern Political Science Association

LANGUAGE SKILLS
 English, Punjabi, Urdu (Fluency)
 Hindi (Speaking Fluency)
 Arabic (Reading, Writing, and Speaking Proficiency)

TECHNICAL SKILLS
 Statistical Software: R, Stata, JAGS, and WinBUGS
 Programming Language: Python (Basic Proficiency)
 Typesetting: \LaTeX

REFERENCES
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