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**Teaching and Research Interests:**

20th Century U.S. History; African American History; Urban History; Law and Society.

**Employment**

2016-Present: Assistant Professor, University of Alabama at Birmingham, Department of History; Secondary Appointment in African American Studies.

2014-2016: Law and Social Sciences Fellow, The American Bar Foundation.

**Education**

Ph.D. (2015), M.A. (2011), *Northwestern University*

Dissertation: “From Law and Order to Torture: Race and Policing in De-Industrial Chicago.”

Academic Advisor: Martha Biondi

Dissertation Committee: Michael Sherry, Henry Binford, Kevin Boyle

Major Field: 20th Century U.S. History

Minor Field: Comparative Social Movements

Special Field: Civil Rights and Black Power Movements

First-Year Thesis: “‘It’s Never Too Late to Be Black’: Congressman Ralph H. Metcalfe, Police Misconduct, and the Decline of Chicago’s Political Machine, 1963-1979.”

M.A. (2008), *University of Chicago*

Master of Arts Program in the Social Sciences, History concentration

Thesis Advisor: Adam Green

Master’s Thesis: “Chicago 1966: Open-Housing Marches, The Police, and Political Accountability.”

B.A. (2005) History with African American Studies Certificate, *University of Florida*

A.A. (2002) Liberal Arts, *Daytona Beach State College*

**Publications**

Andrew S. Baer. *Beyond the Usual Beating: The Jon Burge Police Torture Scandal and Social Movements for Police Accountability in Chicago* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2020). [Forthcoming, April 2020]

Andrew S. Baer, “#RahmRepNow: Social Media and the Campaign to Win Reparations for Chicago Police Torture Survivors, 2013-2015,” in Lucas Melgaco and Jeffrey Monaghan, ed., *Protests in the Information Age: Social Movements, Digital Practices and Surveillance* (London: Routledge, 2018), 40-55.

Andrew S. Baer, “The Men Who Lived Underground: The Chicago Police Torture Cases and the Problem of Quantifying Victims of Police Violence, 1970-2016,” *Journal of Urban History*, Vol. 44, Issue 2 (March 2018), 262-277.

Andrew S. Baer, “Let Them Get Their Voices Out: The Death Row 10, Radical Abolitionists, and the Anti-Death Penalty Movement in Illinois, 1996-2011,” *The Journal for the Study of Radicalism*, Vol. 11, No. 2 (Fall 2017), 129-160.

Andrew S. Baer, “Dignity Restoration and the Chicago Police Torture Reparations Ordinance,” *Chicago Kent Law Review*, Vol. 92, Issue 3, Symposium on Dignity Takings and Dignity Restoration (Fall 2017), 769-792.

**Book Reviews and Other Publications (Not Peer-Reviewed)**

“*Policing Los Angeles: Race, Resistance, and the Rise of the LAPD* by Max Felker-Kantor,” a Book Review, *Journal of Arizona History* [In Press].

“Not Geared Toward the Masses: Ideological Pluralism, Black Capitalism, and the Long Civil Rights Movement in Chicago,” a Book Review essay covering Martin L. Deppe, *Operation Breadbasket: An Untold Story of Civil Rights in Chicago, 1966-1971*, Ian Rocksborough-Smith, *Black Public History in Chicago: Civil Rights Activism from World War II into the Cold War*, and Robert E. Weems, Jr. and Jason P. Chambers eds., *Building the Black Metropolis: African American Entrepreneurship in Chicago*. *Journal of Urban History* [In Press].

“MLK’s Efforts to Advocate Human Rights in 1967 Echoed Fifty Years Later,” blog post, University of Alabama at Birmingham Institute for Human Rights, https://cas.uab.edu/humanrights/2017/08/31/mlks-efforts-advocate-human-rights- 1967-echoed-fifty-years-later/, August 31, 2017.

“Book Review: *Robert Nixon and Police Torture in Chicago, 1871-1971*, by Elizabeth Dale,” *The Journal of Illinois History*, Vol. 20, No. 4 (Winter 2017), pp. 222-223.

“Police Torture Scandal Could Be the Real Reason Daley is Stepping Down,” *History News Network*, September 12, 2010.

**Fellowships/Grants/Awards**

2017-2018 University of Alabama at Birmingham Faculty Development Grant, $5,000.

2017-2018 University of Alabama at Birmingham Faculty Fellow in Engaged Scholarship

2016-2017 Jerome Hall Postdoctoral Fellowship, Indiana University, Maurer School of Law [Declined].

2014-2016 American Bar Foundation, Law and Social Science Dissertation Fellowship and

Mentoring Program.

2015 Lacey Baldwin Smith Prize for Teaching Excellence, Northwestern University History Department.

2014 Chicago History Museum and Chabraja Center for Historical Studies Graduate Student Summer Fellowship.

2014 Conference Travel Grant, Northwestern University Graduate School.

2012 Conference Travel Grant, Northwestern University Graduate School.

2009-2014 University Fellowship, Northwestern University.

2007-2008 University Unendowed Scholarship, University of Chicago.

**Teaching Experience**

**Assistant Professor,** *University of Alabama at Birmingham*, 2016-Present.

**Instructor**, “Introduction to African American History, Emancipation to Civil Rights,” *Northwestern University School of Professional Studies*, Summer 2014.

**Adjunct Lecturer**, “Black Freedom Movements in the United States,” *University of Illinois at Chicago*, African American Studies Department, Fall 2013.

**Graduate Teaching Assistant**, *Northwestern University*

“U.S. History, 1865-Present,” Spring 2013

“History of the Holocaust,” Fall 2012

“Gay and Lesbian History,” Spring 2012

“20th Century U.S. Cultural History,” Spring 2011

“U.S. Constitutional and Legal History,” Winter 2011

**Courses Taught**

-United States to 1877

-United States Since 1877

-African American History to 1865

-African American History Since 1865

-Contemporary America: The United States Since 1970

-History of American Police

-Race and Policing in the United States

-Black Freedom Movements in the United States

-The Long Civil Rights Movement

-The Black Power Movement

-Graduate Seminar on Civil Rights and Black Power

-Graduate Seminar on Mass Incarceration in the United States

-Graduate Seminar on Racial Violence in the United States

**Conferences and Workshops**

“The Jon Burge Police Torture Scandal and the Explanatory Limits of the Carceral State Paradigm,“ *133rd Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association*, Chicago, IL, January 3-6, 2019.

Moderator/Commentator, “Little Rock Central High: The Hidden Costs,” *The Southern Historical Association* *Annual Meeting*, Birmingham, Alabama, November 8-11, 2018.

“Daley, the Police, and the Black Electorate,” Roundtable Discussion titled “Crime and Punishment and the End of Richard J. Daley’s Chicago, 1967-1977,” *Ninth Biennial Conference of the Urban Historical Association*, Columbia, SC, October 18-21, 2018.

Moderator, “Reexamining the Role of Bystanders,” *Bystanders and Complicity in Nazi Germany and the Jim Crow South*, Symposium Co-Sponsored by the United States Holocaust Memorial and Museum and the UAB Institute for Human Rights, Birmingham, AL, February 22, 2018.

“Hate and Hate Crimes Have a History,” *FBI and Birmingham Civil Rights Institute Conference on Civil Rights and Law Enforcement*, Birmingham, AL, September 17-18, 2017.

Chair and Commentator, “Lawyering for Change: Historical and International Approaches,” *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Mexico City, Mexico, June 22, 2017.

“Dignity Restoration and the Chicago Police Torture Reparations Ordinance,” *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Mexico City, Mexico, June 23, 2017.

“A Recipe for Torture: How the Police Professionalization Model Encouraged Detectives to Break the Rules in 1970s Chicago,” *131st Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association*, Denver, CO, January 5-8, 2017.

“Dignity Restoration and the Chicago Police Torture Reparations Ordinance,” *Dignity Takings, Dignity Restoration: A Symposium, Chicago-Kent Law School*, November 10, 2016.

“*Miranda v. Arizona* and Police Torture in Chicago: A Fiftieth Anniversary Retrospective on the Right to Remain Silent in Action,” *The Eighth Biennial Conference of the Urban History Association*, Chicago, IL, October 14-16, 2016.

“Not Limited to the Usual Beating: How the Jon Burge Police Torture Scandal Helped Catalogue Everyday Abuse of Criminal Suspects in Chicago and the United States,” *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, New Orleans, LA, June 5, 2016.

Graduate Student Workshop participant, *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, New Orleans, LA, May 31-June 1, 2015.

Organizer and presiding panelist, Regional Spotlight Session, “Policing De-Industrial Chicago: Racial Violence and the Struggle for Police Accountability,” *110th American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago, August 24, 2015. Panelist included Peter Pihos, Bart Kmiecik, and John Hagedorn (commenting).

“A Vision Greater Than Their Achievements: Lessons from the Chicago Torture Justice Movement,” *110th American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 24, 2015.

Graduate Student Workshop participant, *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Seattle, WA, May 26-27, 2015.

“‘Before Our Communities Become Virtual Armed Camps,’ The Urban Crisis and the Campaign for a Better War on Crime in Chicago, 1965-1982.” *Northwestern University Urban and Communities Workshop*, November 11, 2014.

“Citizens Alert: The Urban Crisis and the Campaign for a Better War on Crime in 1970s Chicago.” *The Seventh Biennial Conference of the Urban History Association*, Philadelphia, PA, October 9-12, 2014.

“From Law and Order to Torture: Race and Policing in De-Industrial Chicago,” *American Bar Foundation Seminar Series*, September 10, 2014.

“Police Torture and Other Pervasive Practices: The Role of Official Misconduct in the Rise of Mass Incarceration in the United States after 1970.” *The Law in Action: Re- Thinking the Boundaries of Law and Society*, *a Conference of the Nicholas D. Chabraja Center for Historical Studies at Northwestern University*, April 18, 2014.

“Felony Review: The Cook County State’s Attorney’s Office, the Chicago Police, and the Decision to Torture, 1972-1991.” *Tenth Annual Loyola University Chicago History Graduate Student Conference*, Loyola University Chicago, November 9, 2013.

“‘We Weren’t Really Thinking So Much of Those Animals’: Race and Police Torture in Chicago, 1972-1991.” *14th Annual Graduate Association of African American History Conference*, University of Memphis, November 1-2, 2012.

“Repressive Intent or Administrative Neglect: Federal Crime Policy, the Punitive Turn, and the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, 1965-1980.” *Crime and the Modern World, a Conference of the Nicholas D. Chabraja Center for Historical Studies at Northwestern University*, March 9, 2012.

**Service**

**Yusef Salaam Speaking Event Committee**, 2019 (Helping coordinate an event hosting former Central Park Five member Yusef Salaam at UAB)

**Search Committee Member**, Assistant Professor of African American Studies, UAB, 2018-2019

**Referee**, *The Sixties*, September 2018.

**Referee**, *African Human Rights Law Journal*, April 2018.

**Referee***, The Public Historian,*January 2018.

**Phi Alpha Theta History Honors Society, Chi Omicron Chapter, Faculty Advisor**, 2018-present

***Vulcan Historical Review*, Faculty Advisor**, 2018-present

**UAB Community Engagement Task Force**, 2016-2018.

**UAB History Department Chair’s Advisory Committee**, 2016-present.

**Associate Editor**, *Law & Social Inquiry*, 2015-2016.

**Referee**, *Law & Social Inquiry*, March 2015.

**Civic Engagement and Public History**

**Guest Lecturer, Donaldson Correctional Facility** (Alabama), February 2020 [forthcoming]

**UAB Point Person**, Jefferson County Memorial Project (JCMP), 2018-present (Helping coordinate events and recruit student fellows to the JCMP, a non-profit organization working with the Equal Justice Initiative to bring a lynching memorial to downtown Birmingham).

**Consultant**, Birmingham Civil Rights Institute/Birmingham Police Department, September 2018- present (Helping develop and teach curriculum for cadets of the local police academy).

**Consultant**, Chicago Public Schools, Curriculum on the Chicago Police Torture Cases, August 2015 to 2017. (Helping develop curriculum for teaching the Burge police torture scandal in 8th and 10th grade history classes in Chicago public schools).

**Co-convener and discussion leader**, “Teaching Chicago Police Torture: No Healing Without Understanding,” First Unitarian Church of Hyde Park, April 1, 2015.

**Guest Lecturer, Stateville Correctional Center** (Illinois), February 2015

**Consultant**, Josh Louis Simon and James Sorrels, film producers, “This Place is Dirty: A Documentary on Jon Burge and the Chicago Police Torture Saga,” 2013-present.

**Tour Guide**, “’68: On to Chicago” a bus tour for the Chicago History Museum, October 18, 2014, $300.00 honorarium.

**Curator**, “1968 Chicago: Law and Disorder,” a Google Cultural Institute online exhibit for the Chicago History Museum, June-July 2014, available at: <https://artsandculture.google.com/exhibit/wRHhmq8J>.

**Volunteer**, Teachers for Social Justice Curriculum Fair: Teaching Police Torture in the Classroom, November 19, 2011.

**Media Interviews**

On-Air Guest, “The Brandon Johnson Show,” WVON 1690 Chicago, November 29, 2015.

On-camera interview with Northwestern News Network News Director Orko Manna, May 21, 2015.

Interviewed for Bethel Habte, “City Council Approves Reparations For Living Burge Torture Victims,” *Medill News Service*, May 7, 2015.

Interviewed for Kate Morrissey, “Songs for Burge Torture Victims Fill City Hall,” *Medill News Service*, January 15, 2015.

Freelance journalist Sarah Kramer interview for article on police torture reparations ordinance, Jan. 12, Feb. 3, and April 6, 2015.

Interviewed for Alison Flowers, “Victims of the Chicago PD’s Torture Campaign Want Justice,” *Vice*, September 22, 2014.

UIC Special Collections Archives Month Interview, *UIC Library Blog*, October 2013.

**Professional Affiliations**

American Historical Association

Law and Society Association

Urban History Association

Graduate Fellow in Legal Studies, Northwestern University, 2013-2016.

Newberry Library Urban History Dissertator’s Group, 2013-2014; 2014-2015.

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