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Present Academic Positions: Asa G. Candler Professor of Medieval History, Emory University, 1989-; Visiting Scholar, Department of Mediaeval History, School of History, University of St Andrews, 2009-10

Previous Academic Positions:

2008 Visiting Scholar, Department of Mediaeval History, University of St Andrews
2004-5 Senior Fellow, Center for Humanistic Inquiry, Emory University
2002-4 Director, Medieval Studies Program, Emory University
2000 Directeur d'Etudes, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes (deferred)
1994-99 Coordinator, Medieval Studies Program, Emory University
1993-94 Visiting Professor of Mediaeval History, St Andrews University
1990-91 Director of Graduate Studies, Dept. of History, Emory University
1985-89 Professor of History, Wesleyan University
1988-89 Co-Chair, Medieval Studies Program, Wesleyan University
1986-87 Guest Lecturer, Faculty of Modern History, Oxford University
1985-86 Co-Chair, Medieval Studies Program, Wesleyan University
1980-84 Research Associate, Wesleyan Archeology and History Program at Saint
Jean-des-Vignes, Soissons
1982-83 Visiting Scholar, Harvard Law School
1982-83 Visiting Member, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton
1980-85 Associate Professor of History, Wesleyan University
1975-80 Assistant Professor of History, Wesleyan University
1974-75 Lecturer on History, Harvard University
1974-75 Research Associate in Comparative Legal History, Harvard Law School
1972-74 Lecturer, Department of History, Harvard University
1971-74 Junior Fellow, Society of Fellows, Harvard University
1970-72 Tutor in History and Literature, Harvard College
1968-70 Tutor in History, Harvard College

Degrees:

A.B. (summa cum laude), Harvard College, 1965
Ph.D. in History, Harvard University, 1972

Areas of Specialization:

History of Medieval France and Britain, Medieval Studies, Early European Legal History.

Fellowships, Honors and Awards:

- 2009-10 Fellowship for Collaborative Research in the Humanities (with Dr. Elizabeth Carson Pastan, American Council of Learned Societies
- 2008-9 Grant for Collaborative Research in the Humanities (with Dr. Elizabeth Carson Pastan), Emory University
- 2006 University Research Committee Grant, Emory University
- 2006 Institute for Comparative and International Studies Grant, Emory University
- 2004 Senior Fellowship, Center for Humanistic Inquiry, Emory University
- 2002 Fellow, Medieval Academy of America
- 2001 Quadrangle Fund Award, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Emory University
- 2000 University Research Committee Grant, Emory University
- 1996-97 Guggenheim Foundation Fellowship
- 1993-94 F.M. Bird Fellowship, Emory University and St Andrews University
- 1986 Summer Stipend, National Endowment for the Humanities
- 1982-83 Visiting Scholar, Harvard Law School
- 1982-83 Visiting Member and Herodotus Fellow, School of Historical Studies, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton
- 1979 Fellowship in Legal History, American Bar Foundation
- 1978-79 Fellowship, American Council of Learned Societies
- 1978 Summer Stipend, National Endowment for the Humanities
- 1971-74 Junior Fellowship, Society of Fellows, Harvard University

Professional Activities:

- 2008-present Board of Editors, *The Middle Ages*
- 2007-present Board of Editors, *Series on Legal History*, Brill
- 1999- Consejo Asesor, *Hispania: Revista Española de Historia*
- 1999- Associate, *Acción Integrada: A collaborative project on medieval politics and political discourse*. The Medieval section of the Centro de Estudios Historicos, Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Cientificas, Madrid and the Department of Mediaeval History, University of Saint Andrews.
- 1987- Advisory Board, *Exemplaria: A Journal of Theory in Medieval and Renaissance Studies* 1995 1995 Contributor, *Bibliography of Medieval History: Social, Political, and Economic History: North-western Europe, c.1050-c.1500: Government and politics, the British Isles, 1066-1307 and France, 987-1315, A.H.A. Guide to Historical Literature* (Oxford University Press: New York, 1995).
- 1994-95 Program Committee, Society for French Historical Studies Conference
- 1986-91 Committee on the Herbert Baxter Adams Prize, American Historical Association
- 1985-86 Program Committee, American Society for Legal History
- 1988-89 Advisory Board, Center for the Humanities, Wesleyan University
- 1982-86 Research Associate, Wesleyan Project in Archaeology and History, Saint-Jean-des-Vignes, Soissons
- 1982-86 Assistant Editor, *American Journal of Legal History*, vols. 26-30.
- 1983-94 Advisory Committee, Yale Center for Parliamentary History.
- 1979-84 Consultant for Medieval History, *Choice Magazine*.

1980-82 Board of Editors, *History and Theory*.
1981-82 Acting Assistant Editor, *Speculum*.

Publications:

2009

- “Protection, Warranty, and Vengeance in *La chanson de Roland*”. In Peace and Protection in Medieval Europe, ed. Tom Lambert and David Rollason. Toronto: Pontifical Institute of Medieval Studies & Durham Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Studies.
- “Problematizing Patronage: Odo of Bayeux and the Bayeux Tapestry” (with Elizabeth Carson Pastan). In The Bayeux Tapestry: New Interpretations, ed. Martin K. Foys, Karen Eileen Overbey and Dan Terkla (Woodbridge: Boydell Press), pp. 1-24.

2008

- “The Ambiguity of Treason in Anglo-Norman-French Law, c. 1150 to c.1250.” In Law and the Illicit in Medieval Society, ed. Ruth Karras, Joel Kaye, E. Ann Matter. Philadelphia: U. of Pennsylvania Press, 2008, pp. 89-102, 267-9.
- “Bad Customs (*Malae Consuetudines*) in Anglo-French Law.” In Custom: The Development and Use of a Legal Concept in the High Middle Ages, ed. Per Andersen

2007

- “Alternative Constructions of Treason in the Angevin Political World: *Traïson* in the *History of William Marshal, e-Spania*, 4, décembre 2007, pp. 1-47 [En ligne], mis en ligne le 21 décembre 2007. URL : <http://e-spania.revues.org/document2233.html>. Consulté le 10 avril 2008.
- “Garsinde v. Sainte Foy: Argument, Threat, and Vengeance in Eleventh-Century Monastic Litigation.” In Religious and Laity in Northern Europe, 1000-1400: Interaction, Negotiation, and Power, ed. Janet Burton and Emilia Jamrozik, Europa Sacra, 2. Tournhout: Brepols, 2007, pp. 169-81.

2006

- Russian translation of “The Politics of Anger in Medieval France.” In Istoricheskaya antropologiya, New Directions in Historical Research, vol. 3, ed. Gadi Algazi, Mikhail Krom, and David Sabeian, and Mikhail Krom, Max-Planck-Institut für Geschichte, Göttingen, and European University at St. Petersburg, 2006, pp. 32-69.
- Japanese translation of “‘Pactum ... Legem Vincit et Amor Judicium’: The Settlement of Disputes by Compromise in Eleventh-Century Western France.” In Conflict and Conflict Resolution in Medieval Europe, ed. Yoshihisa Hattori. Kyoto: Kyoto University Press, 2006, pp. 23-36.
- “Un imaginaire féodal: La représentation de la guerre dans quelques chansons de geste.” In La vengeance, 400-1200, ed. Dominique Barthélemy, François Bougard, and Régine Le Jan. Rome: École Française de Rome, 2006, pp. 175-98.
- “La colère de Guillaume d’Orange,” in Entre histoire et épopée, ed. Laurent Macé. Les Guillaume d’Orange, IXe-XIIIe siècle. Toulouse: Publications de l’Université de Toulouse-Le Mirail, 2006, pp. 239-53.

2005

Re-thinking Kinship and Feudalism in Early Medieval Europe, Variorum Collected Studies Series. Aldershot, Hampshire: Ashgate Press, 2005.

Feuding and Peacemaking in Eleventh-Century France, Variorum Collected Studies Series. Aldershot, Hampshire: Ashgate Press, 2005.

2004

“Feudalism.” In El temps I l’espai del feudalisme, ed. Flocel Sabate. Universitat de Lleida, 2004, pp. 109-113.

“A Crisis of Fidelity in Northern Francia in c.1000?” In Building Legitimacy: Political Discourses and Forms of Legitimation in Medieval Societies, ed. Maria Isabel Alfonso, Hugh Kennedy, and Julio Escalona. Leiden: Brill, 2004, pp. 9-28.
Review, Dominique Iogna-Prat, Études clunisiennes, Speculum 79 (2004), 1098-9.
Review, Valentin Groebner, Liquid Assets, Dangerous Gifts, Speculum 79 (2004), 764-5.

2003

Tshest’, sexual’nye prityazaniya i perevoratshivanie ierarhiy v ‘Lai de Lanval’ Marii Francuzskoy.” Russian translation of “Honor, Sexual Harassment, and the Reversal of Hierarchies in Marie de France’s ‘Lai de Lanval.’” In Homo historicus: Sbornik pamyati Yuriya L’vovitcha Bessmertnogo; Essays in Memory of Yuri Bessmertny on the 80th Anniversary of His Birth, ed. Alexandre O. Tshubarian. Moscow, 2003, pp. 130-51.

“Tenth-Century Courts and the Perils of Structuralist History.” In Warren Brown and Piotr Górecki, eds., Conflict in Medieval Europe: Changing Perspectives on Society and Culture. London: Ashgate Press, 2003, pp. 37-68.

“Fiefs for Service or Service for Fiefs.” In Négociier le don, ed. Gadi Al-Gazi, Valentin Groebner, and Berhard Jussen, in Veröffentlichungen des Max Planck Instituts für Geschichte. Göttingen: Vandenhoeck and Ruprecht, 2003, pp. 63-98.

2002

“Giving Fiefs and Honor: Largesse, Avarice, and the Problem of “Feudalism” in Alexander’s Testament.” In Donald Maddox and Sara Sturm-Maddox, eds., The Medieval French Alexander (Binghamton, NY: SUNY Press, 2002), pp. 127-141.

“The Story of Cynewulf and Cyneheard,” Viator 20 (1989), 1-18. Rpt. in Roy Liuzza, ed., The Yale Companion to Old English Literature: Critical Essays. New Haven: Yale UP, 2002, pp. 157-81.

Review, Constance B. Bouchard, Cartulary of Saint-Marcel-les-Chalon, AD 799-1126, Catholic Historical Review 88 (2002), 331-2.

Review, W. Scott Jesse, Robert the Burgundian and the Counts of Anjou, ca. 1025-1098, Albion 33 (2002), 14-15.

Review, Timothy Reuter, ed., The New Cambridge Medieval History, vol. 3: C. 900-c. 1024. Speculum 77 (2002), 238-40.

2001

“The Problem of Treason: The Trial of Daire le Roux in Le roman de Thèbes.” In Law, Laity and Solidarities in Medieval Europe, ed. Pauline Stafford, Janet L. Nelson, and Jane Martindale. Manchester, UK: Manchester UP, 2001, pp. 95-115.

2000

“From Peace to Power: The Study of Disputes in Medieval France.” In Medieval Transformations: Texts, Power, and Gifts in Context, ed. Esther Cohen and Mayke de Jong. Leiden: Brill, 2000, pp. 203–18.

“The Politics of Gift-exchange. Or, Feudalism Revisited.” In Medieval Transformations: Texts, Power, and Gifts in Context, ed. Esther Cohen and Mayke de Jong. Leiden: Brill, 2000, pp. 169–88.

1999

“Re-penser la violence: de 2000 à 1000.” In Monique Bourin and Barbara H. Rosenwein, eds., L’an mil en 2000, Médiévales 37 (1999), 99–114.

Review, The Etablissements de Saint Louis: Thirteenth-Century Law Texts from Tours, Orléans, and Paris, trans. F.R.P. Akehurst, Speculum 74 (1999), 115.

1998

“Imaginary Justice: The End of the Ordeal and the Survival of the Duel,” Medieval Perspectives 13 (1998), 32-55.

“The Politics of Anger in Medieval France.” In Barbara H. Rosenwein, ed., Anger's Past: The Social Uses of an Emotion in the Middle Ages. Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 1998, pp. 127-52.

Review, Esther Cohen, Peaceable Domain, Certain Justice, American Journal of Legal History 42 (1998), 293–6.

1997

“La traición en la ficción literaria. Derecho, hecho y ordaljas en la narrativa y épica en francés antiguo,” Hispania: Revista Española de Historia 57 (1997), 957-80.

Review-article: Susan Reynolds, Fiefs and Vassals: The Medieval Evidence Reinterpreted, Law and History Review 15 (1997), 349-55.

Review, George Beech et al., Le conventum (vers 1030): un précurseur aquitain des premières épopées, Speculum 72 (1997), 427-9.

Review, Michael Clanchy, From Memory to Written Record: England, 1066-1307, 2nd ed. (1993), Speculum 72 (1997), 131-3.

1996

“Debate: The ‘Feudal Revolution’: Comment 2,” Past and Present, no. 152 (1996), 205-23.

“The Politics of Fidelity: Hugh of Lusignan and William of Aquitaine.” In Georges Duby: L'Écriture de l'Histoire, ed. Claudie Duhamel-Amado and Guy Lobrichon. Brussels: De Boeck, 1996, pp. 223-30.

“F.W. Maitland on Family and Kinship.” In John G. Hudson, ed., The ‘History of English Law’: Centenary Essays on ‘Pollock and Maitland’, Proceedings of the British Academy, vol. 89 (1996), pp. 91-114.

“Clotild's Revenge: The Politics of the Merovingian Feud.” In Portraits of Medieval and Renaissance Living: Essays in Memory of David Herlihy, ed. Samuel K. Cohn Jr. and Steven A. Epstein. U. of Michigan Press: Ann Arbor, 1996, pp. 107-30.

Review, Lester Little, Benedictine Maledictions, Journal of Ecclesiastical History 47 (1996), 141-2.

1995

“Proposing the Ordeal and Avoiding it: Strategy and Power in Western French Litigation, 1050 to 1110.” In Thomas N. Bisson, ed., Power and Society in the Twelfth Century. Philadelphia: U of Pennsylvania Press, 1995, pp. 89-123.
Review—article of Georges Duby, History Continues, Bryn Mawr Medieval Review July 7, 1995.

1994

“The Language of Inheritance in Raoul de Cambrai: Alternative Models of Fief-holding.” In Law and Government in the Middle Ages: Essays in Honour of Sir James Holt, ed. George Garnett and John Hudson. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge UP, 1994, pp. 173-97.

1993

“Stratégie rhétorique dans la Conventio de Hugues de Lusignan.” In Mélanges Georges Duby, vol. 2, Le tenancier, le fidèle et le citoyen. Aix-en-Provence: Publications de l'Université de Provence, 1993, pp. 147-57.

1990

Eleanor Searle, Predatory Kinship and the Creation of Norman Power, 840-1066 (1988), American Historical Review 95 (1990), 1180.

1989

Custom, Kinship and Gifts to Saints: The *Laudatio Parentum* in Western France, 1050-1150. Studies in Legal History. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1989.

“Kinship and Lordship in Early Medieval England: The Story of Cynewulf and Cyneheard,” Viator 20 (1989), 1-18.

Review, R. Allen Brown, The Normans and the Norman Conquest (2nd edition, 1985), American Historical Review 94 (1989), 419-20.

“Inheritances and Legal Arguments in Western France, 1050-1150,” Traditio 43 (1987), 55-103.

1986

“Feuding and Peace-Making in the Touraine around the Year 1100,” Traditio 42 (1986), 195-263.

Review, Robert Bartlett, Trial by Fire and Water: The Medieval Judicial Ordeal (1986), Speculum 64 (1989), 385-8.

Review, J. P. Kenyon, The Stuart Constitution: Documents and Commentary (2nd ed., 1986). Albion 19 (1987), 76-7.

1985

Review, Robert C. Palmer, The Whilton Dispute: A Socio-Legal Study of Dispute-Settlement in Medieval England, American Historical Review 90 (1985), 117-8.

Review, John Gilissen, La coutume, Speculum 60 (1985), 151-3.

1984

“Soissons (Aisne). Abbaye de Saint-Jean-des-Vignes,” (with S. Dyson, K. Gilbert and Clark Maines), in “Chronique des fouilles médiévales,” Archéologie Médiévale 14 (1984), 329-30.

1983

- Review-article: R. G. Davies and J. H. Denton, eds., The English Parliament in the Middle Ages and H. G. Richardson and G. O. Sayles, The English Parliament in the Middle Ages, Speculum 58 (1983), 803-809.
- Review-article: "The Medieval English County Court," Michigan Law Review 81 (1983), 701-12.
- Review-article (with Richard T. Vann): "The Invention of English Individualism: Alan Macfarlane and the Modernization of Pre-Modern England," Social History 8 (1983), 345-63.
- "Soissons (Aisne). Abbaye de Saint-Jean-des-Vignes" (with S. Dyson, K. Gilbert and Clark Maines). In "Chronique des fouilles médiévales," Archéologie Médiévale 13 (1983), 285-6.

1982

- Review, Corinne Comstock Weston and Janelle Renfrow Greenberg, Subjects and Sovereigns: The Grand Controversy over Sovereignty in Stuart England, American Journal of Legal History 87 (1982), 447-8.

1981

- Co-editor, On the Laws and Customs of England: Essays in Honor of Samuel E. Thorne, ed. Morris S. Arnold, Thomas A. Green, Sally Scully, and Stephen D. White. Studies in Legal History. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press.
- "Introduction" (with Thomas A. Green), in On the Laws and Customs of England: Essays in Honor of Samuel E. Thorne, ed. Morris S. Arnold, Thomas A. Green, Sally Scully, and Stephen D. White, Studies in Legal History (Chapel Hill: U of North Carolina Press, 1981), pp. ix-xx.

1979

- Sir Edward Coke and "The Grievances of the Commonwealth," 1621-1628. Studies in Legal History. University of North Carolina Press: Chapel Hill and Manchester University Press: Manchester, 1979.
- "'Pactum ... Legem Vincit et Amor Judicium': The Settlement of Disputes by Compromise in Eleventh-Century Western France," American Journal of Legal History 22 (1979), 291-309.
- "Observations on Early Stuart Parliamentary History," Journal of British Studies 18 (1979), 160-70.
- Review, Louis A. Knafla, Law and Politics in Jacobean England: The Tracts of Lord Chancellor Ellesmere, American Journal of Legal History 22 (1979), 87-9.

1978

- "The 'Laudatio Parentum' in Northern France in the Eleventh and Twelfth Centuries: Some Unanswered Questions," American Historical Association Conference (1977), Proceedings, 1977 (Ann Arbor, 1978), Session 32: Collective Control of Property in Medieval France.

1977

- Review, S. F. C. Milsom, The Legal Framework of English Feudalism, American Journal of Legal History 21 (1977), 359-64.

1976

Review–article, Colin G. C. Tite, Impeachment and Parliamentary Judicature in Early Stuart England, Harvard Law Review 89 (1976), 1934-45.

Review, Ernst Andersen, The Renaissance of Legal Science after the Middle Ages, History and Theory 15 (1976), 349-50.

1975

Review-article: “English Feudalism and its Origins,” American Journal of Legal History 19 (1975), 138-55.

Review, Robert B. Patterson, ed., Earldom of Gloucester Charters: The Charters and Scribes of the Earls and Countesses of Gloucester to A.D. 1217, American Journal of Legal History 19 (1975), 317-20.

1974

“Succession to Fiefs in Early Medieval England,” Past and Present, no. 65 (1974), 118-27. Rpt. in T.H. Aston, ed., Land Use and Tenure in Early Medieval England, Past and Present Publications (Cambridge, UK:

Cambridge UP, 1987), pp. 123-31.

Review, D. E. Greenway, ed., Charters of the Honour of Mowbray, 1107-1191, Speculum 49 (1974), 336-40.

1971

Review, David Little, Religion, Order, and Law: A Study in Pre-Revolutionary England, American Journal of Legal History 15 (1971), 344-8.

Invited Papers, Conference Papers, Comments, Panels Chaired:

2009

“Prosecuting and Proving Sexula Infidelity at the Court of King Arthur: The Case of Guinevere v. Lanval,” Conference on Law and Private Life in the Middle Ages, Carlsburg Academy, Copenhagen, April 29-May 1, 2009

2008

"Harold Oath on the Bayeux Tapestry," Annual Conference of the Haskins Society, November, 2008

"English Law in Medieval French Literature," Chicago-Kent Law School, Chicago, October, 2008.

“Problematizing Patronage: Odo of Bayeux and the Bayeux Tapestry,” Conference on the Bayeux Tapestry, British Museum, July, 2008

“Custom, Customs and ‘Evil Customs’,” Conference on Custom: Development and Use of a Legal Concept in the High Middle Ages, University of Aarhus, Denmark, May, 2008.

“Making Werra: Anger, Revenge, and Regional Politics in Medieval French Feuds,” Department of History, Tel Aviv, May, 2008.

“Medieval French Literature and the Critique of the Court,” Department of Mediaeval History, University of St Andrews, April, 2008.

“A ‘Paranoid Style’ of Medieval Political Discourse? The Taste for Legal Melodrama in Medieval France and England, c.1150 to c.1240,” Early Medieval Seminar, Institute of Historical Research, London University, March, 2008.

2007

- “Warranty, Protection, and Vengeance in the Oxford Version of La chanson de Roland,” Session on Peace and Protection in Medieval Europe,” Leeds International Conference (UK), July 12, 2007
- “*Crimen Laesae Majestatis, Infidelitas, or Traïson?* Competiting Constructions of Treason in the Angevin World,” Conference on “Political culture, language, and practices in Medieval societies: Comparative analyses on the construction and contestation of shared values,” Instituto de Historia (CSIC Madrid), February 15-16, 2007.

2006

- Comment, Elizabeth C. Pastan, “The Charlemagne Window at Chartres,” European Studies Seminar, Emory University, September, 2006.
- Comment, Rita Costa-Gomes, “Itinerant Kingship in Medieval Iberia,” Lockmiller Seminar, Department of History, Emory University, October 2006.
- Comment, Dominique Barthélemy, “Les origines de la chevalerie française,” Lockmiller Seminar, Department of History, October, 2006.

2005

- “The Feud in ‘The Peace in the Feud’,” Opening Plenary Lecture, Interdisciplinary colloquium for the 50th anniversary of Max Gluckman's *Custom & Conflict in Africa*, University of Manchester, Centre for Late Antiquity, 28 October 2005.
- Chair and Commentator, Session on “Angry Lords and Monks: Disputing in Eleventh-Century Western France,” Conference of the Southeastern Medieval Association, Daytona Beach, FL, September, 2005.
- “Legal Melodramas in Old French Literature,” Invited Paper, Medieval/Renaissance Studies Program, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, March, 2005.
- “Legal Puzzles in Old French Literature,” Invited Paper, Medieval/Renaissance Studies Program, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, March, 2005.

2004

- “La colère de Guillaume d’Orange,” Invited Paper, Colloquium on Guillaume d’Orange, Université de Toulouse-Le Mirail, October, 2004. Delibered *in absentia*.
- “*Werra* Stories: The Discourse of “*Guerre*” in *Girart de Roussillon* and other *chanons de geste*.” Medieval Academy of America, Seattle, April, 2004.
- “Treason Trials in Old French Literature as Melodrama,” Invited Plenary Lecture. Conference on Discourses of Law in Medieval Europe, Fordham University, March, 2004.

2003

- “The Discourse of Feuding and Revenge.” Invited paper. Colloque sur “La Vengeance, 400-1200.” École Française de Rome, September, 2003.
- “Monastic Gazes on Lay Society: Models of Conflict in Eleventh-Century Monastic Texts.” Invited Plenary Lecture. Conference on “The Religious and the Laity: Europe, c.1000-1300,” University of Leicester, August, 2003.
- Invited Comment, Paul Hyams, “Reading Trial Scenes in Old French Literature,” International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, May, 2003.

2002

Invited Comment, Robert Palmer, "Legal Change in England, 1176-1540," American Society for Legal History, San Diego, November 2002.

Invited Comment, "Emotions and Emotional Communities in Medieval Europe," International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, May, 2002.

2001

"What Were 'Evil Customs'?" Haskins Society Conference, Cornell University, October, 2001.

"The Tenth-Century Court of Mâcon and the Perils of Structuralism: Re-Reading Burgundian Judicial Institutions." Invited paper. Conference on Conflict in Medieval Europe, Huntingdon Library, April, 2001.

"The Rules of the Game of Studying 'the Rules of the Game' in Gerd Althoff's Studies of Medieval Political Ritual." Invited Paper. Colloquium, Department of History, Stanford University. March 2001.

1999

"Service for Fiefs or Fiefs for Service?" Invited paper. Conference on the Gift, German Historical Institute, Paris, December, 1999.

1998

"Giving wives, lands, and honor: Alexander's testament in Le roman d'Alexandre of Alexandre de Paris." Invited paper. Medieval French Studies Colloquium, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, November, 1998.

Invited Comment, "The Legacy of Georges Duby," International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, May, 1998.

"Swindlers, Bunglers, and Traitors in Old French Trial Scenes," International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, May, 1998.

1997

Chair, "Gifts to Medieval Monasteries," American Historical Association, New York, January, 1997.

Chair, "'Feudal Revolution' as an Historical Problem in French History," Society for French Historical Studies

Conference, Atlanta, March, 1997.

Chair, "The Christianization of Medieval Europe," Southeastern Medieval Association, Charleston, October, 1997.

1996

"The Politics of Gift-exchange. Or, Feudalism Revisited." Invited paper. Colloquium on Gift-Exchange, University of Utrecht, May, 1996.

"From Peace to Power: The Study of Dispute-Processing in Medieval France." Invited paper. Colloquium on medieval peace movements, University of Utrecht, May, 1996.

"Violence and the Millennium." Invited Lecture. Department of History, Columbia University, February, 1996.

"The Revolution of the Year 1000," French Historical Studies Conference, Boston, March, 1996

1995

“Fiefs and Vassals: Recent Historiography,” American Society for Legal History Conference, Houston, October, 1995.

1994

“Emotions, Politics, and Social Status in Medieval Europe.” Invited paper. Colloquium on Emotions in Medieval Europe. Department of Mediaeval History, University of St Andrews, May, 1994.

“The Politics of Anger in Eleventh-Century France.” Invited paper. EMERGE, Edinburgh University, May, 1994.

1990

“Proposing the Ordeal: Tactics of Litigation in Eleventh-Century Western France.” Invited paper. Vann Seminar, Emory University, September, 1990.

“Violence in Early Medieval France,” New England Historical Association Conference, Hartford, October, 1990.

“Strategy and Power in Eleventh-Century Poitou.” Invited paper. Colloquium on Conflict in Medieval Europe. University of Florida, Gainesville, April, 1990.

Invited Commentator, Conference on the Gift, National Humanities Center, November, 1990.

1989

“Trial by Ordeal in Eleventh-Century France.” Invited paper. Vann Seminar, Department of History, Emory University, January, 1989.

“Alternative Models of Eleventh-Century French Society.” Invited paper. Amherst College, April, 1989.

“Trial by Ordeal in Eleventh-Century France.” Invited paper. Medieval History Colloquium, Yale University, April, 1989.

1988

“Trial by Ordeal in Eleventh-Century France.” Invited paper. Medieval Society, Oxford University, January, 1988.

“Avoiding the Ordeal: Tactics of Litigation in Eleventh-Century France.” Invited paper. Department of History, University of California, Berkeley, April, 1988.

“Dispute-Processing in Eleventh-Century France.” Invited paper. Legal History Discussion Group, Oxford University, May, 1988.

1987

“Dispute-Processing in Old French Literature.” Invited paper. Collège de France, February, 1987.

“The Trial of Guinevere in La mort la roi Artu.” Invited paper. Society for the Study of Medieval Languages and Literature, St. Hilda's College, Oxford, March, 1987.

“The Trial of Guinevere.” Invited paper. Medieval History Seminar, Cambridge University, May, 1987.

“Trial by Ordeal and Trial by Battle in Eleventh-Century France.” Invited paper. Seminar on Legal History. Institute of Historical Research, London University, November, 1987.

1986

- “Monastic Litigation in Medieval France.” Invited paper. Department of History, University of Washington, Seattle. April, 1986.
- “The Role of Rules and Legal Argument in Medieval French Courts.” Invited paper. Department of History, University of California, Berkeley, April, 1986.
- “Political Crises in the Lives of Eleventh-Century Serfs.” Invited paper. Panel on The Experience of Everyday Life: Medieval and Early Modern Europe, Harvard University, 350th Anniversary Celebration, September, 1986.
- “Justice and Judgment at the Court of King Arthur.” Invited paper. Department of History, Harvard University, October, 1986.

1985

- “The Early History of the Abbey of Saint-Jean-des-Vignes, Soissons” (with S. Dyson and Clark Maines). Invited paper. Trinity College, Hartford, February, 1985.
- “Claims to Inheritances in Western France, c.1050 to c. 1110: Their Implications for the Study of Earlier Anglo-French Law.” Invited paper. Department of History, University of Florida, Gainesville. March, 1985.
- “Feuding and Peace-Making in Medieval France.” Invited paper. Center for the Humanities, Wesleyan University. April, 1985.
- “Law and Lawyers in Early Stuart Parliaments.” Invited paper. Department of History, University of Kansas. May, 1985.
- Chair, Session on Hohenstaufen Germany. New England Medieval Conference. Wesleyan University. October, 1985.

1984

- “Monks as Mediators in France, c. 1100,” International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo. May, 1984.
- Comment, Session on Inheritance in Early Modern England and Modern France. American Society for Legal History Conference. Newark, New Jersey. November, 1984.
- Comment, Session on “Perceptions and Politics in Medieval and Early Modern England.” American Historical Association Conference. Joint Session with the National Conference on British Studies. Chicago, Illinois. December, 1984.

1983

- “Feudal Courts and Dispute-Settlement in Late Eleventh- and Early Twelfth-Century France and England.” Anglo-American Historical Conference. London University. July, 1983.

1982

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