# WENDELL NII LARYEA ADJETEY

## EDUCATION/TRAINING

Yale University

Doctor of Philosophy

Master of Philosophy

Master of Arts

2012 – 2018

Expected May 2018

May 2015

May 2015

Department of History, Department of African American Studies

Dissertation: "From the North Star to the Black Star: African North Americans and the Search for a Homeland in Canada, 1919–1985"

Dissertation Chair: Professor Glenda Gilmore

Committee: Professors Jonathan Holloway, Matthew Jacobson, Jay Gitlin, Gerald Jaynes,

Examination Fields: 20<sup>th</sup> Century U.S.; Immigration, Diasporas, and Economic Citizenship in North America; Rise and Fall of Atlantic Slavery; African American Labor from Reconstruction to WWII

University of Toronto

Master of Arts

Political Science and Ethnic, Immigration, and Pluralism Studies

Honours Bachelor of Arts

History and Political Science (magna cum laude)

2004 – 2009

June 2009

June 2008

### FELLOWSHIPS AND PRIZES

- Pre-Doctoral Fellow/Visiting Scholar, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2017-18
- Senior Resident Fellow, Massey College, University of Toronto, 2016-17
- Echoing Green Global Fellow, 2015-17
- Yale University Edla J. McPherson Fellow (distinction only), 2016-17
- Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation Doctoral Scholar, 2014-17
- Yale University Austin B. Creel Trust Award, Autumn 2016
- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Doctoral Fellow, 2013-16
- Marcus Garvey Foundation's Jean Harvey Slappy Research Fellow, Autumn 2016
- Stuart Taylor Travel Fund, Department of African American Studies, Summer 2016
- Yale University Falk Foundation Fellow (distinction only), 2015-16
- Howard R. Lamar Center for the Study of Frontiers and Borders Research Scholar, Autumn 2015
- Bosch Foundation Archival Fellowship for Young Historians, Autumn 2015
- Edward Alexander Bouchet Graduate Honor Society Inductee, 2015
- Junior Fellow (distinction only), Yale Urban Ethnography Project, 2014-15
- Humanity in Action, Senior Fellow (distinction only), 2014
- Humanity in Action Diplomacy and Diversity Fellow, Summer 2014
- Department of History Pre-Dissertation Fellowship, Spring 2014
- Yale University Felix G. Evangelist Fellow (distinction only), 2013-14
- Yale University Douglass M. Bomeisler Fellow (distinction only), 2012-13
- Yale Canadian History Prize for the Best Graduate Student Essay, 2013
- Stuart Taylor Travel Fund, Department of African American Studies, Summer 2013
- Yale University Gilder Lehrman Center Fellow, Summer 2013
- University of Pennsylvania Social Science and Policy Forum Pre-Dissertation Fellowship in Qualitative and Quantitative Research Methods, Summer 2013
- Donald Gallup Fellowship in U.S. Literature, Beinecke Fellow, Spring 2013
- Davenport College Richter Fellow, Summer 2013
- Canadian Delegate to 5<sup>th</sup> UNESCO Human Rights Leadership Institute, Summer 2009

- Dr. Anderson Abbott Graduate Fellow, Fall 2008
- Canadian Council of Christians and Jews Graduate Fellow, Fall 2008

#### CONFERENCES AND LECTURES

- "Canadian Citizenship and the Paradox of Progress," Keynote, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Knowledge Summit: Imagining Canada's Future, November 2017
- "The Vietnam War and the Underground Railroad to Canada," School of Humanities and Social Sciences Seminar Series, MIT, October 2017
- "Black Radicals, War Resisters, and the Elusive Search for the North Star," Memorial University, Department of History, September 2017
- "Draft Resisters, the Underground Railroad, and the Enduring Promise of Canada, 1968–1974," Yale University, Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance, and Abolition, February 2017
- "Canadian Perceptions of U.S. Racial Violence," Graduate Keynote, University of Toronto Ethnic and Pluralism Conference, 27 January 2017
- "Civil Rights or Human Rights? An African American Activist in Canada, 1950-1968,"
   African American Studies Endeavors Colloquium, Yale University, November 2016
- "The Fire Next Door: The 1967 Detroit Uprising in the Canadian Imagination," Yale Redpath Conference in Detroit, September 2016
- "Saving Jimmy Wilson: Canadian Racial Consciousness and Alabama Justice, 1958,"
   York University, Black Lives Matter: Contemporary and Historical Perspectives on Liberation and Activism, May 2016
- "Counter-Subversion in Canada and the United States, 1965–1975," Yale University, Edward Bouchet Speaker Series, April 2016
- "The Union Army's Northern Asset: African Canadian Recruitment and the Civil War," Association for the Study of African American Life and History, Florida, Autumn 2013
- "Youth Gang Prevention and Intervention Strategies in Toronto" at a national gang conference in Mexico City, Mexico, 2011
- "Deconstructing Gun Violence in Toronto: A Case Study on Black Youth and the 'Year of the Gun,'" University of Toronto, Political Science Symposium, April 2009
- "The Moynihan Report: Analysis, Contemporary Discourse, and Social Policy Initiatives, University of Toronto, Ethnic and Pluralism Studies Conference, April 2009
- "The Morality Gap in Intra-State Warfare: Child Soldiering in Sierra Leone and Senegal," University of Toronto, Undergraduate Senior Thesis Symposium, April 2008

## PANELS AND OTHER PRESENTATIONS

- "Draft Resisters and the Enduring Myth of Canada," Slavery and its Legacies Podcast, June 2017
- "Reconciling the Fruits of Citizenship," Walrus Talks/Canada 150, May 2017
- "Voices of Africa: Student Activism on the Continent," Presenter and Panelist, University of Toronto, January 2017
- "Why We Celebrate Black History," Keynote Address, Massey College, February 2017
- "The Gift of History and the Burden of Greatness," Toronto British Methodist Episcopal Church, Black History Month Keynote, February 2017
- "Roots, Routes, and Revolution: Black Liberation in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century," Panelist, Massey College, February 2017
- "The Urgency of Scholar Activism," Panelist, Yale Bouchet Conference, April 2017
- Yale Graduate Student Conference, Discussant, April 2016
- Yale Bouchet Graduate Conference, Panelist, April 2015
- "Africa Now," Yale Afro-American Cultural Center 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, October 2014