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Department of Politics, Princeton University.

Dear Members of the Search Committee,

I am writing to apply for the position of Assistant Professor in Formal Theyry & Quantitative Methods as advertised on APSA. I am a doctoral candidate specializing in political economy with particular focus on American politics and formal theory. I will complete my Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign in May 2022.

I am extremely interested in joining the Department of Politics at Princeton. As a member of the department, I will contribute to its focus on political science education, continue my research on strategic political communication, and lead departmental service activities.

I find the research agenda at the Department of Politics at Princeton very stimulating. I believe that my combination of theoretical and empirical skills make me a valuable collaborator for the Formal Theory & Quantitative Methods research groups. My current research examines issues related to strategic communication and timing of elections. Specifically, in my job market paper I theoretically and empirically analyze how politicians strategically vary ad content and placement to mobilize their base and demobilize the opposing one. In other work, I examine whether candidates of the same party, who advertise in the same district, free ride off of each others ads. In joint work, my co-author and I characterize conditions such that voting outcomes are independent of voting order.

In addition, I have a strong interest in teaching. As I mention in my teaching statement, I have extensive teaching experience in a range of topics. During my doctoral studies at Illinois, I was honored to be selected by my students among the top 10% of teachers in the university.

Included in my application are copies of my CV, my job market paper titled "Messaging the Bases: Tailoring Political Ads to Audiences", and other requested materials. Letters in support of my application from Professors Dan Bernhardt (Chair), George Deltas, and Stefan Krasa will be sent under a separate cover.

I can be reached via email at ecnstnt2@illinois.edu or by phone at +1-217-721-5834.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if there is any additional information that I can provide.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

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