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Education

Brown University, Ph.D., Political Science (Expected)

April 2021

Dissertation: *Divided Loyalty: Causes and Consequences of Party and Interest Group Competition in Congressional Primaries*

Committee: Wendy Schiller (chair), Paul Testa, and Susan Moffitt

Summary: The dissertation seeks to explain why outsider congressional candidates are increasingly able to compete with party-backed candidates in primary elections. Using a combination of methods, including both a traditional and a conjoint survey experiment, case studies, and quantitative analysis using original longitudinal campaign finance data, the dissertation demonstrates that growing voter distrust of parties and political institutions combined with significant changes to the campaign finance system have benefited candidates who, in previous eras, have been blocked or impeded from running for office by party leaders.

Brown University, M.A., Political Science

2017

Central Connecticut State University, B.A., Political Science

2014

Research Interests

American Politics, Political Parties, Congress, Congressional Primary Elections, Gender and Politics, Political Behavior

Publications

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

Manento, Cory and Marie Schenk. Forthcoming. "Role Models or Partisan Models? The Effect of Prominent Women Officeholders." *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*.

Manento, Cory. 2019. "Party Crashers: Interest Groups as a Latent Threat to Party Networks in Congressional Primaries." *Party Politics* 1-12, March 19, 2019, <https://doi.org/10.1177/1354068819834528>.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Schiller, Wendy J., and **Cory Manento**. 2018. "Howard Baker and the Conditional Use of Parliamentary Procedure in the U.S. Senate," in *Leadership in the U.S. Senate: Herding Cats in the Modern Era*. Eds. Colton Campbell and Steven S. Smith. New York and London: Routledge Press, 41-67.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Manento, Cory. 2019. "Interest Groups are Out-Performing the Parties in Congressional Primaries." *LegBranch*, April 29.

Manento, Cory. 2018. "[Citizens United is Fueling Outsider Candidates.](#)" *Vox, Mischiefs of Faction*, October 8.

Manento, Cory. 2016. "Measuring the Ideological Shift of the Supreme Court in Fourth Amendment Exclusionary Rule Cases." in *Writing up Quantitative Research in the Social and Behavioral Sciences*, Fallon, Marianne. Boston: Sense Publishers, 123-34.

Schiller, Wendy J. and **Cory Manento.** 2016. "[Pennsylvania Senate Election 2016: Pragmatism and Intraparty Conflict.](#)" *Princeton University Press Blog*.

Schiller, Wendy J. and **Cory Manento.** 2016. "[Nevada Senate Election 2016: Money and the Shadows of Party.](#)" *Princeton University Press Blog*.

Works in Progress

Manento, Cory and Paul F. Testa. "In Party We Trust? Voter Support for Party-Backed Candidates in Primary Elections." (Revise and Resubmit)

Schenk, Marie, **Cory Manento**, and Kristen Essel. "From Enraged to Engaged: Negative Political Events and Women Candidates." (Working Paper)

Manento, Cory. "Out of Sight but in Mind: The Impact of Negative Partisanship in Primary Elections." (Working Paper)

Manento, Cory. "Which Cues Matter? Group Endorsements and Candidate Evaluations." (Working Paper)

Conference Presentations

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2018, 2019

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2017, 2019, 2020*

New England Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2020*

Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2017, 2018

*Paper accepted for presentation but conference canceled due to COVID-19.

Invited Talks

Brown University, Watson Institute Research Workshop, Fall 2019

Teaching Experience

VISITING LECTURER, TRINITY COLLEGE

POLS 102 American National Government, Fall 2020

POLS 301: American Political Parties and Elections, Fall 2020

POLS 309: Congress and Public Policy, Fall 2020

ADJUNCT PROFESSOR, STONEHILL COLLEGE

POL 123 (A): American Government and Politics, *Fall 2019*

POL 123 (B): American Government and Politics, *Fall 2019*

POL 123: American Government and Politics, *Spring 2018*

POL 360: The United States Congress, *Fall 2017*

GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT, BROWN UNIVERSITY

POLS 2580: Introduction to Quantitative Research Methods, *Fall 2018*

TEACHING ASSISTANT, BROWN UNIVERSITY

POLS 1140: Public Opinion and American Democracy, *Spring 2020*

POLS 1120: Campaigns and Elections, *Spring 2018*

POLS 0010: Introduction to the American Political Process, *Fall 2016, Fall 2017*

POLS 1090: Polarized Politics, *Spring 2017*

CEPS 0943: Ethics and International Affairs, *Summer 2016, Summer 2017, Summer 2018*

CEPS 0902: The U.S. in World Politics, *Summer 2016, Summer 2017, Summer 2018*

Grants and Fellowships

Dirksen Center Congressional Research Grant, *2020*

Brown University Dissertation Fellowship, *2018-2019*

Conference Travel Grant, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Brown University, *2017, 2018, 2019*

Service and Additional Experience

REVIEWER

State Politics and Policy Quarterly

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Research Assistant for Margaret Weir, *2019-2020*

Loomis, Burdett A., and Wendy J. Schiller. 2018. *The Contemporary Congress*, Seventh Edition. New York: Rowman and Littlefield.

COORDINATOR

Graduate American Political Workshop, Department of Political Science, Brown University, *2017-2018*

LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS SPECIALIST AND BILL CLERK

Connecticut State Senate, *2015 legislative session*

Technology Skills

PROGRAMMING AND TYPESETTING

R, RMarkdown, Stata, Python, L^AT_EX

SURVEY DESIGN

Qualtrics

References

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