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### Education

Ph.D. in History, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, 1983  
M.A. in History, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, 1974  
B.A. in History, Gettysburg College, 1970

### Fields

U. S. Civil War and Reconstruction; Southern History; Tennessee History

### Publications, papers, etc.

#### Books

A Massacre in Memphis: The Race Riot That Shook the Nation One Year after the Civil War (New York: Hill and Wang/Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2013; audiobook, Audible.com, 2013)

The Black Experience in the Civil War South (Westport: Praeger Publishers, 2010; paperback, Dulles, VA: Potomac Books/University of Nebraska Press, 2013)

Firebrand of Liberty: The Story of Two Black Regiments that Changed the Course of the Civil War (New York: W. W. Norton & Co., 2008; a selection of the History Book Club and the Military Book Club)

Nineteenth-Century America: Essays in Honor of Paul H. Bergeron [co-editor, with W. Todd Groce] (Knoxville: University of Tennessee Press, 2005)

A Year in the South: Four Lives in 1865 (New York: Palgrave Macmillan/St. Martin's Press, 2002; paperback, New York: Perennial/HarperCollins Publishers, 2004; audiobook, Audible.com, 2013)

Tennesseans and Their History [with Paul H. Bergeron and Jeanette Keith] (Knoxville: University of Tennessee Press, 1999)

Secessionists and Other Scoundrels: Selections from Parson Brownlow's Book (Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 1999)

When the Yankees Came: Conflict and Chaos in the Occupied South, 1861-1865 (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1995; paperback, 1999)

Messages of the Governors of Tennessee: Vol. IX, 1907-1921; and Vol. X, 1921-1933 (Nashville: Tennessee Historical Commission, 1990)

Middle Tennessee Society Transformed, 1860-1870: War and Peace in the Upper South (Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 1988; paperback with new preface, Knoxville: University of Tennessee Press, 2006)

Book in progress

Rebel Richmond: Life and Death in the Confederate Capital

Journal articles

"Poor Whites in the Occupied South, 1861-1865," Journal of Southern History, 57 (1991): 39-62

"White Virginians Under Federal Occupation, 1861-1865," Virginia Magazine of History and Biography, 98 (1990): 169-92

"Sharks in an Angry Sea: Civilian Resistance and Guerrilla Warfare in Occupied Middle Tennessee, 1862-1865," Tennessee Historical Quarterly, 45 (1986): 217-29

"Conscience and Christianity: A Middle Tennessee Unionist Renounces His Church, 1867," East Tennessee Historical Society's Publications, 54/55 (1982/1983): 111-15

"Middle Tennessee Society in Transition, 1860-1870," Maryland Historian, 13 (1982): 18-38

"Civil War Exodus: The Jews and Grant's General Orders No. 11," The Historian, 44 (1982): 505-23

"The Sam Houston Schoolhouse: A Mirror of the Changing Past," Tennessee Historical Quarterly, 37 (1978): 375-92

"Postwar Recovery: Montgomery County, 1865-1870," Tennessee Historical Quarterly, 36 (1977): 208-21

"A Community at War: Montgomery County, 1861-1865," Tennessee Historical Quarterly, 36 (1977): 30-43

Essays in anthologies

"The Other Emancipation: Plain Folk vs. Aristocrats in the Invaded South," in Scott Reynolds Nelson and Carol Sheriff, eds., The American Civil War at Home

(Richmond: Virginia Sesquicentennial of the American Civil War Commission, 2014), 54-61.

"A Wall Around Slavery: Safeguarding the Peculiar Institution on the Confederate Periphery, 1861-1865," in W. Todd Groce and Stephen V. Ash, eds., Nineteenth-Century America: Essays in Honor of Paul H. Bergeron (Knoxville: University of Tennessee Press, 2005), 55-73.

"White Virginians Under Federal Occupation, 1861-1865," in Kevin R. Hardwick and Warren R. Hofstra, eds., Virginia Reconsidered: New Histories of the Old Dominion (Charlottesville and London: University of Virginia Press, 2003), 274-95. (Originally published in the Virginia Magazine of History and Biography.)

"When the Yankees Came: The Realities of Living in the Occupied South," in Robert A. Wheeler, Thomas L. Hartshorne, and Mark T. Tebeau, eds., The Social Fabric: American Life from 1607 to 1877 (11th edition, New York and other cities: Longman/Prentice Hall, 2009, and earlier editions). (Originally published as chapter 6 of When the Yankees Came: Conflict and Chaos in the Occupied South, 1861-1865.)

"Civil War Exodus: The Jews and Grant's General Orders No. 11," in Jeffrey S. Gurock, ed., Anti-Semitism in America (New York and London: Routledge, 1998), 135-54; and in Jonathan D. Sarna and Adam Mendelsohn, eds., Jews and the Civil War: A Reader (New York and London: New York University Press, 2010), 363-84. (Originally published in The Historian.)

"The Sam Houston Schoolhouse: A Mirror of the Changing Past," in Herbert L. Harper, ed., Houston and Crockett, Heroes of Tennessee and Texas: An Anthology (Nashville: Tennessee Historical Commission, 1986), 24-39. (Originally published in the Tennessee Historical Quarterly.)

#### Encyclopedia articles and other short pieces

"Brownlow, William G.," in Richard Zuzcek, ed., Encyclopedia of the Reconstruction Era (Westport: Greenwood Press, 2006)

"Reconstruction" and "Tennessee," in The World Book Encyclopedia (Chicago: World Book Publishing, 2005)

"Occupation of the South," in John P. Resch, ed., Americans at War: Society, Culture, and the Homefront (New York: Macmillan Library Reference, 2004)

"Tennessee's Civil War and the University Libraries" [with Aaron D. Purcell], UTK Library Development Review (2003-2004): 3-5

"Introduction," in E. Merton Coulter, William G. Brownlow, Fighting Parson of the Southern Highlands (reprint, Knoxville: University of Tennessee Press, 1999)

"Mightier than the Sword: An Introduction," Atlanta History 42 (1998) [special issue on Civil War journalism]: 5-6

"Occupation, Civil War," in Carroll Van West, ed., The Tennessee Encyclopedia of

History and Culture (Nashville: Rutledge Hill Press, 1998)

"Tennessee" and "Union Occupation," in Richard N. Current, ed., Encyclopedia of the Confederacy (New York: Simon and Schuster, 1993)

#### Dissertation

"Civil War, Black Freedom, and Social Change in the Upper South: Middle Tennessee, 1860-1870" (University of Tennessee, Knoxville, 1983)

#### Publications for general audiences

Past Times: A Daybook of Knoxville History (Knoxville: Knoxville News-Sentinel Company, 1991)

Tennessee's Iron Industry Revisited: The Stewart County Story (Golden Pond, Kentucky: Land Between the Lakes Association, 1986)

The Knoxville News-Sentinel: A Century of Front Pages (Knoxville: Knoxville News-Sentinel Company, 1986)

Meet Me at the Fair! A Pictorial History of the Tennessee Valley Agricultural and Industrial Fair (Knoxville: Tennessee Valley Fair, 1985)

#### Video documentaries (historical advisor)

"No Going Back: Women and the War" (Civil War documentary produced by Nashville Public Television, 2012)

"Beyond Their Dreams" (history of technology in East Tennessee produced by the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, 1986)

#### Papers

"A Massacre in Memphis: The Race Riot That Shook the Nation One Year after the Civil War," Community Conversations Series, Maryville College, 2015 (invited presentation)

"1865 as End and Beginning," Southern Studies Conference, Auburn University-Montgomery, 2015 (invited presentation)

"The Other Emancipation: Plain Folk vs. Aristocrats in the Invaded South," Signature Conference, Virginia Sesquicentennial of the American Civil War, College of William and Mary, 2013 (invited presentation)

"When the Yankees Came to Tennessee," Stones River Civil War Symposium, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, 2005 (invited presentation)

"A Year in the South: Four Lives in 1865," John Fox Literary Festival, Mountain Empire Community College, Big Stone Gap, Virginia, 2005 (invited presentation)

"The Aftermath: Middle Tennessee, December 1864 to May 1865," Battle of Nashville 140th Anniversary Symposium, Tennessee Historical Society, Nashville, 2004 (invited presentation)

"Deliverance and Disillusion: Southern Unionists, Yankee Invaders, and Wartime Reconstruction," Deep Delta Civil War Symposium, Southeastern Louisiana University, 2004 (invited presentation)

"A Year in the South: Four Lives in 1865," Tennessee Conference of Historians, Nashville, 2003 (invited presentation)

"Not Yet Freedom: Slaves versus Rebels on the Confederate Periphery, 1861-1865," Conference on Society and Conflict, University of Genoa, Italy, 1999

"War and Society," Virginia Historical Society Conference on New Directions in Virginia History, Richmond, 1990

"The Other Jubilee: Poor Whites in the Occupied South, 1861-1865," Southern Historical Association, Norfolk, 1988

"Military Occupation and Social Anarchy in Middle Tennessee, 1862-1865," Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society, San Antonio, 1986

"Town, Village, and Countryside in Middle Tennessee, 1850-1870," Milan Group in Early United States History, Milan, Italy, 1984

"Sources for the Social History of Nineteenth-Century Tennessee," Tennessee Conference of Historians, Johnson City, 1984

"Civil War and Social Change in the Upper South: Middle Tennessee Society in Transition, 1860-1870," Organization of American Historians, Philadelphia, 1982

#### Book reviews

Agricultural History, Fall 1996

American Historical Review, June 1999; October 2001; October 2005

American Nineteenth Century History, Summer 2003

Business History Review, Autumn 1999

Civil War History, March 1998

East Tennessee Historical Society's Publications, 1989

Georgia Historical Quarterly, Fall 1993; Fall 1998; Winter, 2001

Historian, Winter 2000

Journal of American History, September 1991; March 1992; December 1997; March

1999; March 2000

Journal of Southern History, November 1986; November 1991; February 1998; May 2001; August 2003

Reviews in American History, December 1999; June 2006

Society of Civil War Historians Newsletter, Spring 1994; Summer 1996

Tennessee Historical Quarterly, Winter 1977; Spring 1980; Winter 1985; Summer 1988

Tennessee Librarian, Spring 1990

Virginia Magazine of History and Biography, April 1990; July 1990; July 1992; April 1994; Spring 1996; No. 4, 2002

West Tennessee Historical Society Papers, 1983

#### Academic appointments

University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Department of History: Professor Emeritus, 2010-present; Professor, 2003-2010; Associate Professor, 1998-2003; Assistant Professor, 1995-1998; Visiting Assistant Professor, 1990, 1994, 1995; Teaching Assistant, 1975-1978

University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Department of Independent Study: Instructor in American History, 1989-1996

University of Tennessee, Chattanooga, Department of History: Adjunct Instructor, 1994

#### Other professional appointments

Editorial Board, Southern Historian, 2013-

Editorial Board, Journal of the Civil War Era, 2011-

Fellow, Center for the Study of War and Society, University of Tennessee, 2011-

Jury chair, Tom Watson Brown Prize, Society of Civil War Historians, 2010-11

Advisory Board, Civil War exhibit, Virginia Historical Society, 2008-11

Advisory Board, Center for the Study of the Civil War Era, 2007-9

Simkins Award Selection Committee, Southern Historical Association, 2007

Advisory Board, Atlanta History, 2001-2003

Advisory Council, Lincoln Prize of Gettysburg College, 1999-present  
Editorial Board, Virginia Magazine of History and Biography, 1999-2001  
Editorial Board, University of Tennessee Press, 1997-2000  
Membership Committee, Southern Historical Association, 1999  
Managing Editor, Journal of East Tennessee History, 1993-1999

Honors, awards, fellowships

Lorayne W. Lester Award for faculty excellence, UTK College of Arts & Sciences, 2013  
Distinguished Professorship in Humanities, UTK College of Arts & Sciences, 2008-10  
Teacher of the Semester Award, UTK Kappa Alpha Order, 2010  
Lindsay Young Professorship, UTK College of Arts and Sciences, 2002-2008  
Alexander Prize for Distinguished Research and Teaching, UTK, 2005  
Professional Development Leave, UTK, 2005  
UTK Chancellor's Award for Research and Creative Achievement, 2004  
LeRoy P. Graf Faculty Excellence Award, UTK History Department, 2000  
Pi Beta Phi Sorority Certificate of Recognition for Outstanding Teaching, UTK, 2000  
UT National Alumni Association Outstanding Teacher Award, 1999  
History in the Media Award of the East Tennessee Historical Society, 1991 (for "Past Times" newspaper series)  
Virginia Historical Society/Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Research Fellowship, 1989  
American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship, 1988  
Tennessee History Book Award of the Tennessee Historical Commission and Tennessee Library Association, 1988 (for Middle Tennessee Society Transformed)  
Choice magazine Outstanding Academic Book citation, 1988 (for Middle Tennessee Society Transformed)  
Colonial Dames of America scholarship award for outstanding American History graduate student in Tennessee, 1980  
Chancellor's Citation for Extraordinary Professional Promise, UTK, 1979

Hilton A. Smith Graduate Fellowship, UTK, 1978-79

Member, Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society (inducted 1978)

John T. Moore Memorial Award of the Tennessee Historical Society, 1977 (for best article in the Tennessee Historical Quarterly)

### Professional activities

#### Affiliations

Organization of American Historians  
Southern Historical Association  
East Tennessee Historical Society  
Society of Civil War Historians

#### Symposium moderator

Phi Alpha Theta Regional Conference, Knoxville, 2001  
Atlanta History Center symposium on the Press and the Civil War, 1998

#### Session chair

Southern Historical Association, Atlanta, 2005  
UTK/Univ. of Genoa International Conference on Aftermath of War, Knoxville, 2002  
Veteran and American Society Conference, Knoxville, 2000  
Appalachian Studies Association, Knoxville, 2000  
Tennessee Conference of Historians, Knoxville, 1996

#### Session discussant/commentator

U. S. Military Academy Summer Seminar in Military History, West Point, 2006  
University of Toronto Conference on the Civil War, 2005  
Filson Institute Academic Conference on Ohio Valley History, Louisville, 2003  
Society for Military History, Knoxville, 2003  
Southern Historical Association, Baltimore, 2002  
Virginia's Civil War and Aftermath Conference, Richmond, 2002  
Southern Historical Association, New Orleans, 1987  
Citadel Conference on the South, Charleston, 1985

#### Referee, essay manuscripts

Agricultural History  
Journal of Military History  
Locus  
East Tennessee Historical Society's Publications  
Virginia Magazine of History (six times)  
Journal of Southern History (seven times)  
Southern Cultures  
Civil War History (three times)  
Journal of East Tennessee History (four times)  
Journal of Urban History  
Journal of American History  
Military History of the West



Journal of the Civil War Era (twice)

Referee, book manuscripts and proposals

University Press of Florida (twice)  
Louisiana State University Press (four times)  
Peter Lang Publishing House  
Rutgers University Press  
University of Tennessee Press (eight times)  
Vanderbilt University Press  
University of Alabama Press (twice)  
University of North Carolina Press (twice)  
University Press of Kentucky  
Fordham University Press  
Oxford University Press

Referee, grant proposals

American Council of Learned Societies  
Guggenheim Memorial Foundation  
National Endowment for the Humanities

Teaching

Undergraduate courses taught

U.S. survey, origins to 1877  
U.S. survey, 1877 to present  
History of Tennessee  
Civil War and Reconstruction

Graduate courses taught

Civil War and Reconstruction readings seminar  
Civil War and Reconstruction research seminar

Undergraduate mentoring

Director, eight completed History/University Honors theses

Graduate mentoring

Director, ten completed M.A. theses:

Kevin Mason, "Black Sabbath: The Battle of Mill Springs" (1997)

Colin Babb, "A Long Way from Home: The West Gulf Blockading Squadron and Union Naval Logistics in the Civil War" (1998)

Kathryn St. Clair, "'Untold Pains and Aches': The Long-Term Effects of Wounding on Tennessee Confederate Veterans" (1998)

William Strasser, "'Our Women Played Well Their Parts': East Tennessee Women in the Civil War Era, 1860-1870" (1999)

Walter Bailey, "An Uncertain Shepherd: Ideology and Doctrine of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Confederate States, 1861-1865" (1999)

Steven Davis, "From Death, Life: An Economic and Demographic History of Civil War Era Knoxville and East Tennessee" (2006)

Amanda Ledford, "Educating Boys, Graduating Men: Student Masculinity at Centre College, 1865-1885" (2007)

D. Jeannine Cole, "Public Women in Public Spaces: Prostitution and Union Military Experience, 1861-1865" (2007)

David S. Leventhal, "Freedom to Work, Nothing More nor Less: The Freedmen's Bureau, White Planters, and Black Contract Laborers in Postwar Tennessee, 1865-1868" (2007)

G. Scott Hicks, "Rebuilding a Community: Prosperity and Peace in Post-Civil War Knoxville, Tennessee, 1865-1870" (2008)

Director, ten completed Ph.D. dissertations:

John D. Fowler, "Mountaineers in Gray: The Story of the 19th Tennessee Volunteer Infantry Regiment, CSA" (2000)

Kent Dollar, "'Soldiers of the Cross': Confederate Soldier-Christians and the Impact of the War on Their Faith" (2001)

Benjamin Severance, "Tennessee's Radical Army: The State Guard and Its Role in Reconstruction, 1866-1869" (2002)

Victoria Ott, "When the Flower Blooms in Winter: Young Women Coming of Age in the Confederacy" (2003)

Trevor Smith, "Pioneers, Patriots, and Politicians: The Tennessee Militia System, 1772-1857" (2003)

Nancy Schurr, "Inside the Confederate Hospital: Community and Conflict during the Civil War" (2004)

Troy Kickler, "Black Children and Northern Missionaries, Freedmen's Bureau Agents, and Southern Whites in Reconstruction Tennessee, 1865-1869" (2005)

Timothy M. Jenness, "Tentative Relations: Secession and War in the Central Ohio River Valley, 1859-1862" (2011)

Paul E. Coker, "'Is This the Fruit of Freedom?': Black Civil War Veterans in Tennessee" (2011)

William E. Hardy, "Fare Well to All Radicals': Redeeming Tennessee, 1869-1870"  
(2013)

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