

## **Caleb Nelson**

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### EMPLOYMENT

#### **UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA SCHOOL OF LAW**, Charlottesville, Virginia, 1998 to present:

Professor of Law, 2003 to present; Associate Professor of Law, 1998 to 2003

Albert Clark Tate, Jr., Research Professor, 2004 to 2007

All-University Teaching Award, 2008

McFarland Award, 2006 (awarded every two years to a member of Virginia's junior faculty for excellence in scholarship)

Paul M. Bator Award, Federalist Society, 2006 (awarded annually to one law professor nationwide for excellence in scholarship, in teaching, and in being under 40)

Visiting Professor, Harvard Law School, Fall 2006

Winner of the Scholarly Papers Competition, Association of American Law Schools, 2000

Courses Taught: Civil Procedure, Federal Courts, Constitutional Law, Legislation

#### **TAFT, STETTINIUS & HOLLISTER**, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1995 to 1998:

Associate, Litigation Department (focused on civil appellate litigation)

Received the highest score on the July 1993 Ohio bar exam, including the highest score in the state on both the Multistate Bar Exam and the state essay exam

#### **U.S. SUPREME COURT**, Washington, D.C., 1994 to 1995:

Law Clerk to Justice Clarence Thomas

#### **U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE D.C. CIRCUIT**, Washington, D.C., 1993 to 1994:

Law Clerk to Judge Stephen F. Williams

#### **THE PUBLIC INTEREST**, Washington, D.C., 1988 to 1990:

Managing Editor, 1990

Assistant Managing Editor, 1989 to 1990

Assistant Editor, 1988 to 1989

### EDUCATION

#### **YALE LAW SCHOOL** (J.D. 1993):

Articles Editor, *Yale Law Journal*

Joseph Parker Prize, 1993 (awarded for the best paper on legal history)

Connecticut Bar Association (Real Property Section) Scholar, 1992

Edgar M. Cullen Prize, 1991 (awarded for the best paper by a first-year student)

#### **HARVARD COLLEGE** (A.B. 1988 *magna cum laude* in mathematics):

Phi Beta Kappa (elected as a junior)

*The Harvard Salient*: Editor-in-Chief, 1987; Managing Editor, 1986

Wendell Prize, 1986

Detur Prize, 1985

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Judicial Review of Legislative Purpose*, 83 N.Y.U. L. REV. \_\_ (forthcoming 2008)  
*Adjudication in the Political Branches*, 107 COLUM. L. REV. 559 (2007)  
*Statutory Interpretation and Decision Theory*, 74 U. CHI. L. REV. 329 (2007) (book review)  
*The Persistence of General Law*, 106 COLUM. L. REV. 503 (2006)  
*What Is Textualism?*, 91 VA. L. REV. 347 (2005), and *A Response to Professor Manning*, 91 VA. L. REV. 451 (2005)  
*Does History Defeat Standing Doctrine?*, 102 MICH. L. REV. 689 (2004) (with Ann Woolhandler)  
*Originalism and Interpretive Conventions*, 70 U. CHI. L. REV. 519 (2003)  
*Sovereign Immunity as a Doctrine of Personal Jurisdiction*, 115 HARV. L. REV. 1559 (2002)  
*Stare Decisis and Demonstrably Erroneous Precedents*, 87 VA. L. REV. 1 (2001)  
*Preemption*, 86 VA. L. REV. 225 (2000)  
*A Re-evaluation of Scholarly Explanations for the Rise of the Elective Judiciary in Antebellum America*, 37 AM. J. LEGAL HIST. 190 (1993)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS AND PANELS

- Colloquium on Public Law, NYU School of Law, March 2008  
Faculty Workshop, Harvard Law School, October 2006  
Constitutional Theory Colloquium, Northwestern University School of Law, February 2006  
Legal Studies Workshop, University of Virginia, February 2005  
Virginia Summer Workshop Series, June 2004  
Virginia Constitutional Law Conference, September 2003  
AALS Mid-Year Meeting, New York City, June 2003  
National Association of Attorneys General, Washington, D.C., March 2003  
Constitutional Law Workshop, University of Chicago, January 2003  
Legal Studies Workshop, University of Virginia, April 2002  
Federalist Society, National Lawyers' Convention, November 2001  
Virginia Constitutional Law Conference, October 2000  
Legal History Workshop, University of Virginia, September 2000  
Legal Studies Workshop, University of Virginia, April 2000  
AALS Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., January 2000  
Virginia Conference on Comparative Constitutional Law, November 1999  
Testimony before Governmental Affairs Committee, United States Senate, July 1999  
Virginia Faculty Retreat, January 1999