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### DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH

March 18, 1944  
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### EDUCATION

1970 Ph.D. in Political Science, University of Chicago  
1966 M.A. in Political Science, University of Chicago  
1964 A.B. Colby College

### ACADEMIC HONORS

- 1998-99 Fellow, Institute for the Humanities, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 1998 University of Illinois at Chicago Teaching Recognition Award
- 1993 Nominated for the Silver Circle Award for Excellence in Teaching, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 1990 Nominated for the Silver Circle Award for Excellence in Teaching, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 1989 Nominated for the Silver Circle Award for Excellence in Teaching, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 1984-85 Fellow, Institute for the Humanities, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 1982 Nominated for the Silver Circle Award for Excellence in Teaching, University of Illinois at Chicago Circle

- 1974 Co-Winner of the C. Wright Mills Prize of the Society for the Study of Social Problems for *The Dialectics of Legal Repression: Black Rebels Before The American Criminal Courts*
- 1967-68 Ford Foundation Dissertation Completion Fellow
- 1967-68 National Science Foundation Dissertation Fellow
- 1964 Magna cum Laude and Phi Beta Kappa

#### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2000 Affiliate Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 1983 Professor of Political Science, University of Illinois at Chicago  
to present
- 1976-82 Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Illinois at Chicago.  
Permanent Membership in the Graduate College since 1978.
- 1974-76 Associate Professor of Political Science, Doctoral Faculty of the Graduate Center of the City University of New York
- 1973-76 Associate Professor of Political Science, York College of the City University of New York
- 1970-73 Assistant Professor of Politics, Princeton University
- 1969-70 Lecturer, Department of Politics, Princeton University
- 1964 Teaching Assistant, Colby College

#### PUBLICATIONS

##### BOOKS

*Mourning and Modernity: Essays in the Psychoanalysis of Contemporary Society* (New York: Other Press, forthcoming, 2005).

*Emotional Rescue: The Theory and Practice of a Feminist Father*  
(New York: Routledge, 1998).

This book works out a synthesis of the feminist mothering theory of Nancy Chodorow, Dorothy Dinnerstein, and Jessica Benjamin and the psychoanalytic theories of narcissism of Heinz Kohut, Otto Kernberg, and James Masterson, and describes the parenting practice that made this theoretical synthesis possible.

*Emotional Rescue: The Theory and Practice of a Feminist Father*

(Rye Field Publishing Co., Taipei, Taiwan by arrangement with Routledge, Inc. Through Bardon-Chinese Media Agency, 1999).

This is the Chinese translation and edition of *Emotional Rescue*.

*Marxism and Domination: A Neo-Hegelian, Feminist, Psychoanalytic Theory of Sexual, Political and Technological Liberation* (Princeton: N.J.: Princeton University Press, September 1982).

Favorably reviewed in *The American Political Science Review*, *The Journal of Politics*, *Political Studies*, *The Review of Politics* and *New Political Science*, among others.

*Marxism and Domination*, the on-line edition, TLG Media, Inc., 2000.

According to the "Project Overview" of TLG, this will be a "subscription-based service providing electronic access to the most highly cited and consulted books in the English language."

*The Dialectics of Legal Repression: Black Rebels Before the American Criminal Courts* (New York: Russell Sage Foundation, 1973) Co-Winner of the 1974 C. Wright Mills Prize of the Society for the Study of Social Problems. Favorably reviewed in *The American Political Science Review*, *Comparative Politics*, *Contemporary Sociology*, *Politics & Society*, *Policy Studies Journal*, and *Law & Society Review*, among others. The "review" in *Law & Society Review* was actually a 40-page article by David Trubeck entitled "Complexity and Contradiction in the Legal Order: Balbus and the Challenge of Critical Thought About Law."

*The Dialectics of Legal Repression: Black Rebels Before the American Criminal Courts* (New Brunswick, N.J. Transaction Books, 1977).

This is a paperback edition of the original book and includes an entirely new introduction.

#### ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

"The Psychodynamics of Racial Reparations", *Psychoanalysis, Culture & Society*, 9 (August 2004), 159-185.

"Against the Idealism of the Affects", *Political Theory*, 31, 6 December, 2003), 859-70.

"Masculinity and the (M)other: Toward A Synthesis of Feminist Mothering Theory and Psychoanalytic Theories of Narcissism", in Judith Kegan Gardiner, ed., *Masculinity Studies and Feminist Theories: New Directions* (New York: Columbia University Press, 2002), 210-234.

"Remembering Melanie Klein", on-line article in Britannica.com's "Great Thinkers of the Twentieth Century Series", December 11, 2000.

"Mourning The Movement", *Soundings*, 14 (Spring 2000), 39-52.

"Men and the Art of Mothering: A Case Study in the Relationship Between Theory and

Practice", in Arthur B. Shostak, *Private Sociology: Unsparing Reflections, Uncommon Gains* (Dix Hills, New York: General Hall, 1996), 53-69.

"The Missing Dimension: Self-Reflexivity and the 'New Sensibility'", in John Bokina and Timothy J. Lukes, eds., *Marcuse: From the New Left to the Next Left* (Lawrence, Kansas: University of Kansas Press, 1994), 106-117.

"De-Kleining Feminist Mothering Theory?", *Theory & Society*, 21 (1992), 817-835.

"Disciplining Women: Michel Foucault and the Power of Feminist Discourse," *Praxis International*, 5,4 (January 1986), 466-483. This article was subsequently reprinted in Seyla Benhabib and Drucilla Cornell, eds., *Feminism as Critique* (Cambridge: Polity Press, 1987), and in Jonathan Arac, ed., *After Foucault* (New Brunswick, N.J.: Rutgers University Press, 1988).

"Habermas and Feminism: (Male) Communication and the Evolution of (Patriarchal) Society," *New Political Science* 13 (Winter 1984), 27-47.

"Das Dreieck der Neuen Sozialen Bewegungen: Feminismus, Ökologie und Basisdemokratie," in Wolf Schafer, ed., *Neue Soziale Bewegungen: Konservativer Aufbruch in Buntem Gewand?* (Frankfurt am Main: Fischer, 1983).

"On the Limits of a 'Productivist' Vision of Socialist Politics," in Steve Shalom, ed., *Socialist Visions* (Boston: South End Press, 1983).

"Beyond Marx: A Neo-Hegelian, Feminist, Psychoanalytic Perspective on Ecology," *Telos* 52 (Summer 1982).

"Commodity Form and Legal Form: An Essay on the 'Relative Autonomy' of the Law," *Law & Society Review* 11, 3 (Winter 1977), 571-88.  
This article was subsequently reprinted in E.E. Reardon and R. M. Rich, eds., *The Sociology of Law* (Toronto: Butterworths, 1980), in Piers Beirne and Richard Quinney, eds., *Marxism and Law* (New York: John Wiley & Sons, 1981) and in A. Javier Trevino, ed., *The Sociology of Law: Classical and Contemporary Perspectives* (New York: St. Martin's, 1996), 140-48.

"Politics as Sports: An Interpretation of the Political Ascendancy of the Sports Metaphor in America," in Leon Lindberg, et.al., *Stress and Contradiction in Modern Capitalism: Public Policy and the Theory of the State* (Lexington, Mass.: Lexington Books, 1975).

"Comment" on Bertell Ollman's "Marxism and Political Science: Prolegomenon to a Debate on Marx's Method," *Politics & Society* 3,4 (Summer 1973), 511-535.

"The American Game of Life", *The Nation* (May 7, 1973), 600-02.

"The Negation of the Negation: Theory of Capitalism Within an Historical Theory of Social Change," *Politics & Society* 3, 1 (Fall, 1972), 49-63. This article was written in response to Heinz-Gerhard Haupt and Stephan Leibfried's "Marxian Analysis of Politics or Theory of Social Change?" Toward a Marxian Theory of the Political Domain," which appeared in the same issue of *Politics & Society* and is their extended review of my earlier article, "The Concept of interest in Pluralist and Marxian Analysis" (see below).

"Penal Paradox: Efficiency vs. Justice", *Social Policy*, 3,2 (July/August, 1972), 44-49.

“Urban Ghetto Revolts and Local Criminal Court Systems”, in M.D. Mesarovic and A. Reisman, Eds., *Systems Approach and the City* (Amsterdam: North Holland Publishing Co., 1972).

“Ruling Elite Theory vs. Marxist Class Analysis”, *Monthly Review* 23, 1 (May, 1971). This article was reprinted in Wolf-Dieter Narr und Claus Offe, eds., *Wohlfahrtsstaat und Massenloyalitat* (Koln: Kiepenheuer & Witsch, 1975).

“The Concept of interest in Pluralist and Marxian Analysis”, *Politics & Society* 1, 2 (February, 1971), 151-177. This article was reprinted in the *Bobbs-Merrill Reprint Series in Political Science*, 1974, in Ira Katznelson, ed., *The Politics and Society Reader* (New York: David McKay, 1974) and in Peter Massing und Peter Reichel, *Interesse und Gesellschaft* (Muchen: Piper, 1977).

#### REVIEW ARTICLES

Elizabeth V. Spellman’s *Fruits of Sorrow: Framing Our Attention to Suffering*, *International Studies in Philosophy* (forthcoming, 2004).

Uma Narayan and Julia J. Bartkowiak, eds., *Having and Raising Children*, *Hypatia* 17, 2 (Spring 2002), 162-65.

Victor Wolfenstein’s *Inside/Outside Nietzsche*, *Political Psychology* 22,3 (September, 2001), 629-32.

Robert A. Dahl’s *Dilemmas of Pluralist Democracy: Autonomy vs. Control*, *Journal of Politics* 45, 3 (August, 1983), 789-90.

Svetozar Stojanovic’s *Between Ideals and Reality: A Critique of Socialism and Its Future*, *Political Theory* 2,4 (November, 1974), 457-461.

Mihaly Vajda’s “Crisis and the Way Out: The Rise of Fascism in Italy and Germany”, *Kapitalistate* 2 (1973).

#### PAPER PRESENTATIONS

“The Infancy of Modernity: Cyberspace, Time-Space Compression, and the Grandiose Self”, presented at the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Conference on Cultural Studies, Kansas State University, March 15, 2002

“The Psycho-Dynamics of Racial Reparations”, presented at the Conference on Apologies: Mourning the Past and Ameliorating the Present, Claremont Graduate University, February 8, 2002

“Patriarchal ‘Production’ in Marx”, presented at the Annual Conference on Feminist Theory, Western Political Science Association, Seattle, March 24, 1999.

"Men and the Art of Mothering: The Practice of Feminist Theory," presented at the Annual Convention of the American Sociological Association, Washington, D.C., August 11-15, 1990.

"Three Theses on the Role of the Radical Intellectual," presented at "From Old Disciplines to New Practices," Conference of the Institute for the Humanities, University of Illinois at Chicago, October, 1985.

"Disciplining Women: Michel Foucault and the Power of Feminist Discourse," presented at the Symposium on the Acquisition and Communication of Knowledge, Institute for the Humanities, University of Illinois at Chicago, May, 1985.

"Feminism, Ecology, and Participatory Democracy," presented at the Conference on New Social Movements, Max-Planck Institut fur Sozialwissenschaften, Munich, November, 1982.

"Modes of Child Rearing and Structures of Domination," presented at the Annual Convention of the American Political Science Association, Denver, September, 1982, Caucus for a New Political Science Panel on Feminist Theory.

"Toward a Feminist and Ecological Critical Theory," presented at the *Telos* Conference on Ecology and Critical Theory, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois, April, 1982.

"A Neo-Hegelian, Feminist, Psychoanalytic Perspective on Freedom and Democracy," presented at the Annual Conference on Critical Legal Studies, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Mass., March, 1982.

"The End of the Marxist Theory of Politics," presented at the Annual Convention of the American Political Science Association, New York City, September, 1982.

"Beyond Marxism: A Neo-Hegelian, Feminist, Psychoanalytic Perspective on Human Liberation," presented at the Annual Convention of the American Political Science Association, Caucus for New Political Science Panel on Feminist Theory, New York City, September, 1981.

"On the Absence of Political Theory in Marx," presented at the Conference on Critical Legal Studies, University of Wisconsin Law School Madison, Wisconsin, September, 1978.

"On the Absence of Political Theory in Marx," presented at the Conference on the Theory of the State, New York University, New York City, April 1978.

"Contribution to a Critique of Marxian Political Theory," presented at the Plenary Session of the Conference on Critical Legal Studies, Northeastern Law School, Boston, Mass., February, 1978.

"Commodity Form and Legal Form: An Essay on the 'Relative Autonomy of the Law,'" presented at the Conference on Critical Legal Studies, University of Wisconsin law School, Madison, Wisconsin, May 1977.

"On the Relative Autonomy of the Law," presented at the Annual Convention of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September, 1976.

"Alienated and Fetishized Language," presented at the MiniConference on Symbols in Mass-Elite Interactions, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, April 1976.

"A Critique of the Mode of Communication in Advanced Capitalist Societies," presented at the Caucus for a New Political Science Conference on Socialist Perspectives on Social Change in the United States, Brown University, Providence, R.I., November, 1975.

"The Political Ascendancy of the Sports Metaphor in America", presented at the Council on European Studies Conference on Patterns of Social and Political Change in the Advanced Industrial Societies, Monterossa al Mare, Italy, September, 1975.

#### ADDITIONAL CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Discussant, paper delivered by Sandra Harding, "Must the Advance of Science Advance Global Inequality?", Annual Conference of the International Studies Association, Chicago, February 2001

Participant, Roundtable on the Integration of the Personal and the Professional, Annual Convention of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 1987.

Discussant, Panel on Discourse Theory and the Law, Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, Chicago, June, 1986.

Member, Program Committee, Annual Convention of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September, 1976.

Chairperson, Panel on the Rule of Law and Capitalist Development, Annual Convention of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D. C. September.

Chairperson, Panel on Marxian Epistemology, Annual Convention of the American Political Science Association, September, 1975.

Participant, Workshops on Radicalism, Research Institute on International Change, Columbia University, February-May, 1975.

Participant, Institute for Policy Studies Conference on Culture and Politics, Washington, D.C., October, 1974.

Discussant, Conference on Sources of Discontent and Institutional Innovation in Advanced Industrial Societies, jointly sponsored by the Columbia University Institute on Western Europe and the Council on European Studies, March, 1974.

Discussant, Panel on the Marxian Theory of the State, Annual Convention of the American Political Science Association, September, 1973.

Discussant, Panel on Marx's Method, Annual Convention of the American Political Science

Association, September, 1972.

Discussant, Panel on Urban Politics, Annual Convention of the American Political Science Association, September, 1967.

#### LECTURES

“The Butler Didn’t Do It: Why ‘Gender Identity’ Survives Its Deconstruction By Judith Butler”, Colloquium of the Department of Philosophy, UIC, September 6, 2000.

“In Defense of Dinnerstein: Or Why the Critics of *The Mermaid* Are All Wet”, New School for Social Research, New York City, April 15, 2000.

“The Trouble With *The Trouble With Principle*, response to Stanley Fish at a forum jointly sponsored by the Departments of Criminology, Political Science, Psychology, and Sociology, UIC, March 2, 2000.

“Emotional Rescue: the Theory and Practice of a Feminist Father”, Transition Books, Chicago, September 16, 1998

“Saving the Sixties in Our Selves”, Institute for the Humanities, November 17, 1998

“Emotional Rescue: The Theory and Practice of a Feminist Father, Harold Washington Library Chicago Author Series, March 16, 1999

“Mourning and Modernity: Toward a Psychoanalytic Theory of Cultural Development”, OSSR, U.I.C., November 1994.

“History and Psychoanalysis: Gender Struggle and the Transformation of Western Child Rearing”, Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, April, 1988.

“Gender-Struggle and Co-Parenting”, Erikson Institute, Chicago, May, 1987.

"Foucault and Feminism", University of Massachusetts at Amherst, May, 1985.

"Gender Struggle, Psychoanalysis, and the Transformation of American Child Rearing", Northwestern University, November, 1984.

"Habermas and Feminism", Max-Planck Institut fur Sozialwissenschaften, November, 1982.

"Beyond Marxism: A Neo-Hegelian, Feminist, Psychoanalytic Perspective on Human Liberation", Plenary Address to the annual conference of both the American Legal Studies Association and the Humanistic Sociology Association, Cincinnati, Ohio, November, 1981.

"Beyond Marx: A Neo-Hegelian, Feminist, Psychoanalytic Perspective on Human Liberation", Seminar on Contemporary Social and Political Theory, University of Chicago, November, 1981.



"On the Absence of Political Theory in Marx", Wesleyan University, May, 1978.

"The Absence of Political Theory in Marx", North Carolina State University, Charlotte, North Carolina, November, 1977.

"The Relative Autonomy of the Law", Chicago Marxist Forum, University of Illinois at Chicago Circle, May, 1977.

"Commodity Form and legal Form", Hampshire College, Amherst, Mass., April, 1977.

"Commodity Form and Legal Form", University of Wisconsin Law School, Madison, Wisconsin, November, 1976.

"Alienated and Fetishized Language", Brandeis University, Waltham, Mass., March, 1976.

"Problems in the Marxian Theory of the State", Department of Sociology, New York University, May, 1975.

"Problems in the Marxian Theory of the State", Graduate Center of the City University of New York, February, 1975.

"Toward a Marxian Theory of Law", The Law School of the State University of New York at Buffalo, October, 1974.

"Marxism and Civil Liberties", Princeton University, September, 1974

"Problems in the Marxian Theory of the State", Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio, May, 1974.

"Problems in the Marxian Theory of the State", Columbia University interdisciplinary Faculty Seminar on the State, February, 1974.

#### INTERVIEWS

Chicago Voices Interview Series, Chicago Historical Society, October 25, 1998.

Two-part radio interview about *Emotional Rescue* on *Free Associations*, WHPK and WZRD, Chicago, June 1998.

"Men and the Art of Mothering", interview about *Emotional Rescue*, *Lip* magazine, February 1999.

#### OTHER ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Editorial Board, *International Journal of the Sociology of Law*, 1980-1984.

Reviewer, National Science Foundation, 1977-1984.

Reviewer, *Law & Society Review*, 1977-1986.

Contributing Editor, *Kapitalistate*, 1973-1975.

Executive Council, Caucus for a New Political Science, 1973-1974.

## TEACHING

### COURSES TAUGHT SINCE 1976

#### *Undergraduate*

Introduction to Political Theory  
Modern Political Theory: From Hobbes to Freud  
Introduction to Marxism  
Gender and Politics  
The Dynamics of Domination  
Western European Marxism Since Lenin  
Possible Political Systems  
Scope of Political Science  
Seminar in Political Theory

Independent study courses in Critical Theory, Feminist Theory, Post-Structuralism and  
Psychoanalysis

#### *Graduate*

The Philosophy of the Social Sciences  
The Context of Public Policy: State and Economy

Independent study courses in Critical Theory, Feminist Theory, Post-Structuralism and  
Psychoanalysis

### UNIVERSITY SERVICE SINCE 1976

#### *Departmental*

Acting Head, Summer 2001 and 2002  
Director of Undergraduate Studies, 1995-present.  
Engelmann Tenure Review Committee, 2002  
Member, Advisory Committee, 1999-2000  
Chair, Undergraduate Committee, 1995-present  
Political Theory Search Committee, 1995  
Executive Committee, 1990-91  
Engelmann Third year Review Committee, 1999  
Moruzzi Tenure Review Committee, 1999

Strom Promotion Committee, 1989-90  
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, 1988-89  
Graduate Committee, 1987-89  
Executive Committee, 1987-88  
Knauss Promotion Committee, 1987  
Member, Executive Committee, three years  
Member, Graduate Committee, four years  
By-Law Committee, 1978  
Moruzzi Third Year Review Committee  
Simpson Tenure Review Committee  
Wiseberg Tenure Review Committee  
Crawford Third Year Review Committee

*University-Wide*

Liberal Arts and Sciences Educational Policy Committee, 2001-2002  
Search Committee for the new Head of the Department of Political Science, 2000-2001  
Search Committee for the new Head of Women's Studies, 1999-2000  
Executive Committee, Institute for the Humanities, 1999-2002  
Executive Committee, Institute for the Humanities, 1986-88  
Women's Studies Graduate Committee, 1984 to present  
Senate Judiciary Committee, 1984-85  
Committee to Evaluate the Performance of the Latin American Studies Program, Spring-Summer, 1980.

Referees

Benjamin Barber, The Democracy Collaborative, OSI, 400 West 59<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, New York 10019

Stanley Fish, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Illinois at Chicago

Iris Marion Young, Department of Political Science, University of Chicago