

Calvin TerBeek

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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Claremont McKenna College, 2025-present
Assistant Professor, Government Department

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA, 2024-2025
Postdoctoral Fellow in the Program for Constitutionalism and Democracy

Trinity College, Hartford, CT, 2023-24
Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science

Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, 2022-23
Lecturer, Department of Political Science

EDUCATION

University of Chicago Ph.D., Political Science

Tulane University School of Law J.D.
Associate Editor, *Tulane Journal of Int'l and Comp. Law*

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee B.A., Political Science
Honors College, *magna cum laude*, Phi Kappa Phi, Pi Sigma Alpha

PUBLICATIONS

TerBeek, Calvin. 2025. "Maladapted: Our Exhausted Constitution, Our Exhausted Governing Elites." *American Political Thought*, forthcoming (symposium on Stephen Skowronek's *The Adaptability Paradox*)

TerBeek, Calvin. 2025. "After Constitutional Originalism." *American Political Thought*, forthcoming (symposium on Jonathan Gienapp, *Against Constitutional Originalism*)

Bloch Rubin, Ruth, Gregory Elinson, and Calvin TerBeek. 2024. "Macro-Level Pluralism: Integrating Qualitative and Quantitative in the Study of Political History," in the *Oxford Handbook of Methodological Pluralism in Political Science*, edited by Valeria Sinclair-Chapman, Dino Christenson, and Janet Box-Steffensmeier.

Baumgardner, Paul and Calvin TerBeek. 2022. "The US Supreme Court is Not a Dahlian Court."

Studies in American Political Development 36(1): 148-150 (State of the Field Issue)

TerBeek, Calvin. 2021. “‘Clocks Must Always Be Turned Back’: Brown v. Board of Education and the Racial Origins of Constitutional Originalism.” *American Political Science Review* 115(3): 821-834

TerBeek, Calvin. 2021. “The Search for an Anchor: Living Constitutionalism from the Progressives to Trump.” *Law & Social Inquiry* 46(3): 860-889 (review essay).

Oliver, Eric and Thomas Wood with Calvin TerBeek. 2018. “Chapter 9: A Nation Divided By Magic,” in *Enchanted America: Intuition and Reason in US Politics*. University of Chicago Press

BOOK MANUSCRIPTS

Enemy Establishments: The Constitution, The Modern State, and the Political Development of Polarization

➤ Under review at Princeton University Press

Reacting to the Right: Money, Institution Building on the Left, and the Origins of the American Constitution Society

➤ In progress; co-authored with Paul Baumgardner

WORKING PAPERS

“The Fall of the Regime: Why Political Parties Fail to Explain American Constitutional Politics and Law”

“The Myth of the Lochner Era and the Problematics of Constitutional Theory”

Other Writings (Selected):

Amanda Hollis-Brusky and Calvin TerBeek, “The Federalist Society Says It’s Not an Advocacy Organization. These Documents Show Otherwise,” *Politico*, August 31, 2019

TerBeek, Calvin. 2015. “Dog Whistling, the Color-Blind Jurisprudential Regime and the Constitutional Politics of Race,” *Constitutional Commentary* 30(1): 167-193

CONFERENCES & INVITED TALKS (RECENT)

Policy History Studies: The State and Future of the Field (Invited – Feb. 2024) | Book proposal presentation

APSA 2023 (Virtual) | Paper presented: “No Going Back: The Institutional, Ideological, and Racial Origins of the Warren Court’s Rights Revolution”

Consortium on the American Political Economy, 2023 (Invited) | Book chapter presented: “Big

Business, Labor, and a New *Via Media*: The Modern Republican Governing Project, 1952-1960”

SERVICE

Johns Hopkins University: Faculty Officer, Pre-Law Society, 2022-2023

APSA: Nominations Committee for Law and Courts Section, 2021

The Innocence Project (New Orleans, Louisiana), 2002

- honored by Tulane University School of Law for over 270 volunteer hours at the Innocence Project
- work helped free the wrongfully convicted [Dennis Brown](#)

GRANTS & AWARDS

Mellon Foundation/Social Sciences Dissertation Fellowship, \$32,000

Trustees of the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Foundation, \$1800

University of Chicago, Division of the Social Sciences, Orin Williams Fund, \$2000

REFERENCES

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