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Education

Ph.D. History, Pennsylvania State University, 2001

M.A., History, University of Georgia, 1993

B.A., History, University of Georgia, 1989

Courses Taught

University of West Georgia

History 2111 U.S. History to 1877

History 2111 Honors U.S. History to 1877

History 4455/5455 Civil War and Reconstruction

History 4454/5455 Jacksonian America

History 4476/5476 Old South

History 4474/5474 History of Georgia

History 6687 Civil War and Reconstruction

Pennsylvania State University

History 20 U.S. History to 1877

History 20 U.S. History from 1877 to present (T.A.)

History 444 Civil War and Reconstruction (T.A.)

History 2 Western Heritage (T.A.)

Books

Co-edited with Randall Allen, A Georgian with “Old Stonewall in Virginia: The Letters of Ujanirtus Allen, Company F, 21st Regiment, Georgia Volunteer Infantry (Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 1998).

Co-authored Hallowed Banners: Historic Flags in the Georgia Capitol Collection (Atlanta: Georgia Secretary of State’s Office, 2005).

Essays, Articles, and Edited volumes

“ ‘He exhibited the highest soldierly qualities:’ General Edward C. Walthall’s Confederate Army Service” in Lawrence L. Hewitt., ed., Confederate Generals in the Western Theater Vol. 4 (Knoxville: University of Tennessee Press, forthcoming).

“The Battle of Chickamauga” and “Guerilla Warfare” entries in John C. Inscoe, ed., The Civil War in Georgia: A New Georgia Encyclopedia Companion (Athens: University of Georgia Press, 2011).

New introduction and index for George W. Nichols, A Soldier’s Story of His Regiment (Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, 2011).

New introduction and index for William A. McClendon, Recollections of Wartime (Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, 2010).

“ ‘The Fatal Halt’ versus ‘Bad Conduct:’ John B. Gordon, Jubal Early, and the Battle of Cedar Creek,” in Gary Gallagher, ed., The Shenandoah Valley Campaign of 1864 (Chapel Hill and London: University of North Carolina Press, 2006).

“ ‘Witness the Redemption of the Army:’ Reenlistments in the Confederate Army of Tennessee, January-March 1864,” Lesley J. Gordon and John C. Inscoe, eds. Inside the Confederate Nation: Essays in Honor of Emory M. Thomas (Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 2005).

“John Bell Hood,” in Leaders of the Lost Cause, New Perspectives on the Confederate High Command, Gary W. Gallagher and Joseph Glatthaar, eds., (Mechanicsburg: Stackpole Books, 2004).

“ ‘Placed on the Pages of History in Letters of Blood:’ Reporting on and Remembering the 12th Georgia Infantry in the 1862 Valley Campaign,” in Gary Gallagher, ed., The Shenandoah Valley Campaign of 1862 (Chapel Hill and London, University of North Carolina Press, 2003).

“ ‘They Had Determined to Root Us Out:’ Dual Memoirs by a Unionist Couple in Blue Ridge Georgia,” in John Inscoe and Robert Kenzer, eds., Enemies of the Country: New Perspectives on Unionists in the Civil War South (Athens: University of Georgia Press, 2001).

“ ‘These few, grey-haired, battle-scarred veterans:’ Confederate Army Reunions in Georgia, 1885-1895,” in Gary W. Gallagher and Alan Nolan, eds., The Myth of the Lost Cause (Indianapolis: University of Indiana Press, 2000).

“ ‘One Solid unbroken roar of thunder:’ Union and Confederate Artillery at the battle of Malvern Hill,” in Gary Gallagher, ed., The 1862 Richmond Campaign: The Peninsula and the Seven Days (Chapel Hill and London: University of North Carolina Press, 2000).

“ ‘Dirty, Ragged, and ill-provided for:’ Confederate Logistical Problems in the 1862 Maryland Campaign,” in Gary W. Gallagher, ed., The Antietam Campaign (Chapel Hill and London: University of North Carolina Press, 1999).

“ ‘Disgraced and Ruined by the Decision of the Court:’ The Court Martial of Emory F. Best, C.S.A.,” in Gary W. Gallagher, ed., The Chancellorsville Campaign (Chapel Hill and London: University of North Carolina Press, 1996).

“Cadets, Drillmasters, Draft Dodgers, and Soldiers: The Georgia Military Institute during the Civil War,” Georgia Historical Quarterly LXXIX (Spring 1995).

Book Reviews in Academic Journals

Reviews in Journal of Southern History (2), Georgia Historical Quarterly (5), Civil War History (4), Ohio Valley History (1), Alabama Review (1), Journal of Southwest Georgia History (1), Virginia Magazine of History and Biography (1) The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society (1)

Presentations at Conferences

Presentations at the University of Virginia Civil War Symposium, 1999, 2000, 2002, 2006, 2009.

“Training, Professionalism, and Modernization in the Confederate Army of Tennessee,” Southern Historical Association Meeting, Birmingham, Alabama, November 2, 2007.

“ ‘The Natural Guardians of the Helpless Families of Absent Soldiers:’ State Welfare Efforts in Confederate Appalachia,” Civil War Lecture Series, East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, Tennessee, November 15, 2005.

“ ‘Cobb County is Cut All to Pieces and Completely Ruined:’ Civilians on the Kennesaw Mountain Battlefield in 1864,” First Annual Symposium on New Interpretations of the Civil War, Kennesaw State University, Marietta, Georgia, June 18, 2005.

“ ‘The Fatal Halt’ vs. ‘Bad Conduct:’ John B. Gordon, Jubal Early, and the Battle of Cedar Creek,” Society of Military Historians, Charleston, South Carolina, February 25, 2005.

“The Southern Assessment of the 1864 Tennessee Campaign,” The Battle of Nashville, December 1864, 140th Anniversary Symposium, The Tennessee Historical Society, Nashville, Tennessee, December 11, 2004.

“ ‘A Great Need for Railroad Facilities’: Railroads and Antebellum Georgia’s Upcountry Yeomanry,” Southern Historical Association, Houston, Texas, November 8, 2003.

Paper on the 44th United States Colored Troops, Georgia Association of Historians Meeting, Americus, Georgia, March 29, 2003.

Chair & comments for panel on Southern Unionism, First Annual Troy State University Chancellor’s Symposium on Southern History, Troy State University, February 22, 2003

“ ‘They Had Determined to Root Us Out: Dual Memoirs by a Unionist Couple in Blue Ridge Georgia,’ at ‘Families at War: Loyalty and Conflict in the Civil War South,’ Conference at the University of Richmond, April 24-25, 1998.

Presentations at the Penn State/Mont Alto Annual Conferences on the Civil War, 1998, 1999.

Related Work Experience

Tutor, The McCallie School, Chattanooga, Tennessee, Tutored students (grades 9-12) in U.S. and World History, 1996-1997, 1999-2000.

Historian, Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park. Conducted historical research on Southern women, children, free and enslaved African-Americans for new museum exhibits being designed for visitor center, 1999.

Historian, Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park. Conducted historical research at Harvard University as part of U.S. National Park Service grant, 1998.

Historian, Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park. Reviewed and commented on museum exhibit text and conducted historical research for exhibits, 1998.

Historian and Preservation Planner, American Battlefield Protection Program. Wrote a preservation and interpretation plan for the U.S. National Park Service for the Civil War-related sites in and around Ringgold, Georgia, 1996-1997.

Historian, Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park. Conducted tours, answered historical questions for visitors, and did historical research, (summers) 1986-1995.