

## **Ruth Bloch Rubin**

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### **Academic Employment**

University of Chicago | Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, 2016-present

Harvard University | Robert Wood Johnson Scholar in Health Policy Research, 2014-2016

### **Education**

University of California, Berkeley | Ph.D. in Political Science, 2014

Dissertation: *Intraparty Organization in the U.S. Congress*

Brandeis University | B.A./M.A. in Politics (*summa cum laude*), 2008

### **Publications**

*Building the Bloc: Intraparty Organization in the U.S. Congress*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2017.

- Awarded the 2018 Alan Rosenthal Prize by the APSA Legislative Studies Section for the best book or article written by a junior scholar.
- Reviewed in *Journal of Politics*, *Congress & the Presidency*, *The Forum*, *R-Street* and *LegBranch*.
- Subject of roundtables at Western Political Science Association (2018) and Midwest Political Science Association (2018).

“Anatomy of Judicial Backlash: Southern Leaders, Massive Resistance and the Supreme Court, 1954-1958,” *Law & Social Inquiry* (forthcoming, with Gregory Elinson).

“Congress and American Political Development,” *The Oxford University Handbook of American Political Development*. New York: Oxford University Press, 2016 (with Eric Schickler).

“Organizing for Insurgency: Intraparty Organization and the Development of the House Insurgency, 1908-1910,” *Studies in American Political Development* 27 (2013): 86-110.

### **Book Project and Research Papers**

*How Factional Discord Shapes Patterns of Party Leadership and Policymaking in Congress* (book project, in progress)

“State Preventative Medicine: Public Health, Indian Removal, and the Growth of State Capacity, 1780-1850” (revise and resubmit)

“The Logics of Congressional Reform”

“Organizing at the Extreme: The Logic and Evolution of Hardline Blocs in the House”

“Intraparty Organization in Parliament: Brexit and the European Research Group”

“Staking a Claim: Native American Petitioning and the U.S. Court of Claims” (in progress, with Gregory Elinson)

### **Selected Awards and Grants**

Negotiating Agreement in Congress Grant | Social Science Research Council (2018)

American Political Economy and Democracy Program Research Grant | University of California, Berkeley (2012)

Congressional Research Award | Dirksen Congressional Center (2011)

Mike Synar Graduate Research Fellowship | Institute of Governmental Studies, University of California, Berkeley (2011)

Graduate Research Fellowship | National Science Foundation (2010-2013)

Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award | University of California, Berkeley (2010)

Fechter Family Prize in Political Science | Brandeis University (2008)

### **Invited Talks**

Northwestern University, November 2017. University of Wisconsin, Madison, September 2017. Brandeis University, February 2016.

### **Conference Presentations**

American Political Science Association: 2011, 2012, 2013, 2017

Midwest Political Science Association: 2010

Congress and History Conference: 2012, 2014, 2018

Policy History Conference: 2016, 2018

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Scholars in Health Policy Research Annual Meeting: 2014, 2015, 2016

### **Teaching Experience**

#### *Undergraduate Classes*

Introduction to American Politics (Summer 2014, Autumn 2016, Autumn 2017)

Political Parties in the United States (Winter 2017, Spring 2019)

Southern Politics in State and Nation (Winter 2018)

America in World Civilization (Winter 2019)

#### *Graduate Seminars*

American Political Development (Autumn 2016, Spring 2019)

U.S. Congress (Winter 2017, 2019)

American Field Seminar (Autumn 2017)

Race and the American State (Winter 2018)

**Professional Service**

Referee: *American Political Science Review*, *Congress & the Presidency*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Studies in American Political Development*, and Cambridge University Press.

**University Service**

University of Chicago, Department of Political Science: Graduate Placement Committee (co-chair); Research Workshop in American Politics (co-coordinator)