

Curriculum Vitae

THOMAS H. COX

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EDUCATION

State University of New York at Buffalo

Ph.D., History, September 2004, **M.A.**, History, September 1998
Dissertation: "Courting Commerce: *Gibbons v. Ogden* and the Transformation of
Commerce Regulation in the Early Republic"
Dissertation Committee: Richard E. Ellis (chair), Michael H. Frisch, Donald M. Roper,
Tamara Plakins Thornton
Fields of Study: United States History to 1877 (specialization); American History
(general); Latin American History (minor), Qualifying exams passed May 1999

Birmingham-Southern College, Birmingham, Alabama

B.A., History, **B.S.**, Political Science-Sociology, with honors, May 1994
Magna Cum Laude Graduate, Phi Beta Kappa

Budapest University of Economic Sciences, Budapest, Hungary

Completed coursework in Central European History, Politics, Economics, and Law, Fall 1993

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Institute for Constitutional Studies, Summer Workshop for College Instructors, 2007
Sam Houston State University, Writing Across the Disciplines Seminar, 2007
Law and Society Association, Graduate Student Workshop, 2003
Supreme Court Historical Society, Summer Seminar on Federalism, 2001
Supreme Court Historical Society, Workshop on Teaching the Constitution, 2001

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, **Sam Houston State University**, Huntsville, Texas, 2005 to Present
Visiting Assistant Professor, **University of Nebraska at Kearney**, 2003-2005
Adjunct Instructor, **State University of New York at Buffalo**, 1999-2001

Courses Taught:

American History to 1877	American Thought and Culture, 1620-1865
American History from 1877	American Religious History
Western Civilization to 1500	Atlantic World, 1400-1865
Western Civilization from 1500	Pre-Contact America: Mayans, Aztecs, Incas
American Constitutional History to 1860	American Indian History
American Constitutional History from 1860	History of the Modern Middle East
Revolutionary America, 1750-1800	Historiography
Early National America, 1780-1860	Directed Readings

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

Library Research Grant, Princeton University, 2007

Faculty Enhancement Grant, Sam Houston State University, 2006

College of Arts and Sciences Dissertation Writing Fellowship, SUNY at Buffalo, 2002

Larry J. Hackman Research Award (Twice Awarded), New York State Archives, 2001, 2002

Gilder Lehrman Dissertation Fellowship, Gilder Lehrman Institute, 2001

Mark Diamond Research Grant, Graduate Student Association, SUNY at Buffalo, 2001

Clements-DeGolyer Research Grant, Southern Methodist University, 2001

Lockwood Dissertation Fellowship (Twice Awarded), SUNY at Buffalo, 1999, 2001

Young Scholars Fellowship, Birmingham Civil Rights Institute, 1994

BOOKS AND ARTICLES

“Courting Commerce: *Gibbons v. Ogden* and the Transformation of Commerce Regulation in the Early Republic,” under submission.

“Frontier Framers: Constitution Making in Nineteenth Century Nebraska,” in *The History of Nebraska Law* (Athens: Ohio University Press, 2006), ed. Alan Gless, forthcoming.

“From Centerpiece to Center Stage: Kelly Ingram Park, Segregation, and Civil Rights in Birmingham, Alabama” in the *Southern Historian* 18 (Spring 1997): 5-28.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Contributor, *Encyclopedia of African American History* (Oxford University Press, 2007), ed. Paul Finkelman. Article on “The Birmingham Campaign,” forthcoming.

Contributor, *Milestone Documents in American History* (Schlager Group, forthcoming), ed. Paul Finkelman. Article on “*Gibbons v. Ogden*” and “*Martin v. Hunter’s Lessee*,” forthcoming.

Contributor, *The Encyclopedia of American Federalism* (Greenwood Press, 2005), eds. Ellis Katz, Joe Marbach, and Troy Smith. Article on *Gibbons v. Ogden*, 742-744.

Contributor, *The Encyclopedia of New York State* (Syracuse University Press: 2005), eds., Robert Mandel and Peter Eisenstadt. Articles on *Gibbons v. Ogden* (1824), Edward Livingston, and Robert R. Livingston, 641-643, 912-916.

Contributor, *Dictionary of American History* (Charles Scribner’s Sons: 2003), ed. Stanley Kutler. Article on the *Shreveport Rate Case* (1914), Vol. 7, 352.

Review of David Ray Papke, *The Pullman Case: The Clash of Labor and Capital in the Industrial Era* in the *American Journal of Legal History* 45 (2001): 331-332.

Review of Howard Ball, *The Bakke Case: Race, Education, and Affirmative Action* in the *American Journal of Legal History* 44 (2000): 501-502.

Review of Harold M. Hyman, *The Reconstruction Justice of Salmon P. Chase: In Re Turner and Texas v. White* in the *Journal of Legal History* 19 (August 1998): 184-186.

RECENT PRESENTATIONS

“Engineering Success: The Fulton-Livingston Steamboat Monopoly, Business Reputations, and the Articulation of Commercialism in the Early Republic” presented at the *Livingston-Fulton Steamboat Bicentennial Symposium*, Bard College, June 2007.

“The Defenders: Virginia’s Neo-Bourbons and Massive Resistance,” presented at the *Midwestern Political Science Association Annual Conference*, Chicago, IL, April 2006.

“*Gibbons v. Ogden*, Commerce Regulation, and Social Change,” presented at the *Southwest Social Studies Association Convention*, San Antonio, TX, April 2006.

“The Constitution, the Commerce Clause, and the War on Terror,” presented at the *American Democracy Project Conference*, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX, November 2005.

“Wartime Civil Liberties in Historical Perspective,” with Jeffrey Littlejohn, presented at the *Sam Houston State University Constitution Day Celebration*, Huntsville, TX, September 2005.

“Encouraging Improvements: *Gibbons v. Ogden* and the Promotion of the American System,” presented at the *Society for Historians of the Early Republic Annual Meeting*, Brown University, Providence, RI, July 2004.

“Steaming Mad: The Gibbons-Ogden Feud and Notions of Honor in the American Steamboat Industry,” presented at the *Missouri Valley History Conference*, Omaha, NE, March 2004.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Sam Houston State University

Senator, Faculty Senate, 2007-present

Member, Constitution Day Celebration Planning Committee, 2005-present

Secretary, History Rhetoric Group, 2005-2007

Volunteer, Webb Historical Society (for historical trips and reenactments), 2005-present

Coordinator, Distinguished Lecturer Series (visit for Dr. Paul Finkelman), 2006

University of Nebraska at Kearney

Faculty Advisor, Undergraduate History Club, 2003-2005

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

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