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Education:

B.A. Sociology, University of Houston 1974 M.A. Sociology, University of Houston, 1977 Ph.D. Sociology, University of Connecticut 1983 Post-Doctoral Study, Yale University 1984-1985

Academic Honors and Awards:

- Visiting Fellow, Center for Advanced Study (CAS), Norwegian Academy of Science & Letters, Oslo, Norway, Spring 2019
- Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Distinguished Book Award finalist (*Storming Zion*, Oxford University Press), 2016
- Minnie Stevens Piper Award nominee for state-wide teaching award, Lamar University,
 2015
- American Sociological Association Distinguished Book Award nomination in Religion (Saints under Siege, New York University Press), 2012
- American Sociological Association Distinguished Book Award nomination in Political Sociology (*Patriots, Politics and the Oklahoma City Bombing*, Cambridge University Press), 2008
- o Rockefeller Foundation Award, Scholar-in-Residence, Bellagio, Italy, Fall 2005
- o University Scholar Award, 1999-2000
- o Excellence in Teaching Award, Lamar University, 1996-97, 1998-99
- Excellence in Research Award, College of Arts and Sciences, Lamar University, 1993-94
- o Faculty Research Incentive Award, 1985-86, 1986-87, Lamar University
- o N.I.M.H. Research Fellowship, 1984-85, Yale University

Positions Held:

- o Chair, Department of Sociology, Social Work & Criminal Justice, 2012 present
- Director of Research, Office of Research & Sponsored Programs, 2007-2011
- Assistant Dean, College of Graduate Studies and Research, 2000-06
- o Professor of Sociology, Lamar University, 1996-present
- o Associate Professor of Sociology, Lamar University, 1990-96
- Assistant Professor of Sociology, Lamar University, 1985-90
- Lecturer and N.I.M.H. Research Fellow, Yale University, 1984-85

Research Interests

Religion Law and Public Policy

Social Movements Terrorism and Political Violence

Professional Offices and Roles:

o Editorial Board, Review of Religious Research, 2019-present

- Robert J. McNamara Award Committee, Association for the Sociology of Religion (ASR), 2016-19
- Distinguished Journal Article Selection Committee, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR), 2016-19
- o Chair, Publications Committee, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR), 2010-12.
- Executive Council and Chair, Joint Publicity Committee of the Society for Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR) and the Religious Research Association (RRA), 1989-2000.
- o Board of Directors, Association for the Academic Study of New Religions, 2001-present
- o Executive Council, Religious Research Association, 1998-2001.
- o Advisor to FBI Crisis Incident Response Group (CIRG) on extremist sects, 1996-1998
- o Advisory Board, Religion Crisis Task Force, 1994-2000
- o Jefferson County Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee (UPLC), 2000-2014
- o Reviewer for National Science Foundation (NSF) grants, 1995-present
- o Publicity Chair, Association for the Sociology of Religion, 1993-1996

Legal Advisory and Consulting Work

Consultant and expert witness in *Tyler Atkins vs. Miranda Clendening, Superior Court, State of Arizona, County of Santa Cruz, Case no. DO 14-127.* Retained by Global Community Communications Alliance in child custody case (April – August, 2014).

Consultant and expert witness for Hennington, Butler and Jones, *Alan Keates v. the State of Texas, District Court of Schleicher County, Texas, 51st Judicial District, Cause No. 991* (November – December, 2009).

Consultant and expert witness for McCurley, Orsinger, McCurley, Nelson & Downing, In the Interest of Rachel Kathyrn Lawson and Sarah Lawson Minor Children, District Court, 199th Judicial District, Collin County, Texas, No. 199-52371-99 (May-October 2006).

Consultant for Stroock, Stroock & Lavan, LLP in *Local Church v. Harvest House Publishers*, 80th *District Court of Texas*, *Cause No.* 2001-65993 (Jan 2003-Dec 2004).

Consultant for Caddell & Conwell Attorneys at Law in Branch Davidian Civil Case, *Isabel G. Andrade, et al v. Phillip Chojnacki, et al, U.S. District Court, H-94-0923,* (January-June 2000).

Consultant for Joseph C. Hawthorn, Attorney at Law, in dragging death of James Byrd, Jr., *State of Texas v. Shawn Allen Berry, Cause No. 8871, Jasper County, Texas* (August-November, 1999).

Consultant for Jones, Wyatt & Roberts Attorneys at Law in Oklahoma City federal bombing trial, *United States v. Timothy James McVeigh, U.S. District Court of Colorado, 96-CR-68-M,* (November 1995-June 1997).

Expert witness, sworn testimony before the House Committee on Government Reform and Oversight and the Committee on the Judiciary, hearings on Waco, Sam Rayburn Building, Washington, DC, July 19, 1995.

Consultant to Chief Investigator, Michael E. Hubbard and Senior Investigative Counsel, Lisa Odle Kaufman, U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee, Senate hearings on Waco, October 1995.

Consultant for Jenner & Block Attorneys at Law in Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity v. David Molko and Tracy Leal, California Supreme Court, Ct. A025338, No. 769-529, (filed October 17, 1988).

Signator to Amicus Curiae brief, Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity v. David Molko and Tracy Leal, U.S. Supreme Court, No. 88-1600, October 1988.

Consultant for Sedgwick, Detert, Moran & Arnold Attorneys at Law, *Pamela Miller v. Lifespring, Inc., California Superior Court, No. 867859* (filed March 22, 1988).

Scholarly Publications:

Stuart A. Wright. Forthcoming. "Exploring Defiance as a Response to Failed Prophecy Among NAR Prophets Following the 2020 Presidential Election," in J. Gordon Melton (ed.), *When Prophecy Fails*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Jared M. Wright and Stuart A. Wright. Forthcoming. "QAnon in the Post-Trump Era: Emergent Patterns of Social Movement Adaptation and Change," in Monica Miller (ed.), *The Social Science of QAnon*. London: Cambridge University Press.

Stuart A. Wright, Michael Stausberg, and Carole M. Cusack. 2020. "How Religions End: Terms and Types," pp. 13-30 in Michael Stausberg, Stuart A. Wright, and Carole M. Cusack (eds.), *The Demise of Religion: How Religions End, Die, or Dissipate*. London: Bloomsbury.

Stuart A. Wright. 2020. 'State Actions in Western Democracies Leading to the Dissolution of Religious Communities," pp. 155-174 in Michael Stausberg, Stuart A. Wright, and Carole M. Cusack (eds.), *The Demise of Religion: How Religions End, Die, or Dissipate*. London: Bloomsbury.

Stuart A. Wright. 2020. "Deconstructing Media Framing of the Waco Siege and Standoff on the 25th Anniversary." *Theory In Action 13* (2): 164-177.

Stuart A. Wright. 2020. "The Branch Davidians," pp. 95-96 in Adam Possamai and Anthony Blasi (eds.), *Sage Encyclopedia of Sociology of Religion*. London: Sage.

Stuart A. Wright. 2019. "Waco after 25 Years: Media Reconstructions of the Federal Siege on the Branch Davidians." *Nova Religio* 22 (3): 108-120.

Stuart A. Wright and Susan J. Palmer. 2018. "Countermovement Mobilization and State Raids on Minority Religious Communities." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 57 (3): 616-633.

"A Conversation with Stuart A. Wright, author of *Storming Zion: Government Raids on Religious Communities.*" *Criminal Justice Newsletter*, March 2016, Volume XLI, Issue 2, pp.19-22.

Jennifer Lara Fagen and Stuart A. Wright. 2014. "Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Empowerment in Mormon Fundamentalist Communities," pp. 9-28 in Henrik Bogdan and James R. Lewis (eds.), *Sexuality and New Religious Movements*. New York: MacMillan.

Stuart A. Wright and James T. Richardson. 2014. "The Fundamentalist Latter Day Saints after the Texas State Raid: Assessing a Post-Raid Movement Trajectory." *Nova Religio* 17 (4): 38-48.

Stuart A. Wright. 2014. "Disengagement and Apostasy in New Religious Movements," pp. 706-735 in Lewis Rambo and Charles Farkadian (eds.), Oxford Handbook on Religious Conversion. New York: Oxford University Press.

Stuart A. Wright and Arthur L. Greil. 2011. "Failed Prophecy and Group Demise: The Case of Chen Tao," pp.153-172 in Diana Tuminia and William Swatos (eds.), *How Prophecy Lives*. London: Brill.

Stuart A. Wright. 2011. "Deconstructing Official Rationales for the Texas State Raid on the FLDS," pp. 124-149 in Stuart A. Wright and James T. Richardson (eds.), Saints under Siege: The Texas State Raid on the Fundamentalist Latter Day Saints. New York University Press.

Stuart A. Wright and Jennifer Lara Fagen. 2011. "Texas Redux: A Comparison of the FLDS and Branch Davidian Raids," pp.150-177 in Stuart A. Wright and James T. Richardson (eds.), *Saints under Siege: The Texas State Raid on the Fundamentalist Latter Day Saints*. New York University Press.

Stuart A. Wright. 2011. "Revisiting the Branch Davidian Mass Suicide Debate," pp. 113-32 in James R. Lewis (ed.), *Violence and New Religious Movements*. New York: Oxford University Press (reprint).

Stuart A. Wright. 2009. "Strategic Framing of Racial-Nationalism in North America and Europe: An Analysis of a Burgeoning Transnational Network." *Terrorism and Political Violence* 21 (2): 189-210.

Stuart A. Wright. 2009. "Revisiting the Branch Davidian Mass Suicide Debate." *Nova Religio* 13 (2): 4-24.

Stuart A. Wright. 2009. "Reframing Religious Violence After 9/11: The ACM Campaign to Exploit the Threat of Terrorism." *Nova Religio* (12) 4: 5-27.

Stuart A. Wright. 2009. "Martyrs and Martial Images: The Volatile Link between Warfare Frames and Religious Violence," pp. 17-26 in Marat Shterin and Madawi Al-Rasheed (eds.), Dying for Faith: Religiously Motivated Violence in the Contemporary World. London: I.B. Tauris.

Stuart A. Wright. 2007 "The Dynamics of Movement Membership: Joining and Leaving NRMs," pp.187-210 in David G. Bromley (ed.), *Teaching New Religious Movements*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Stuart A. Wright. 2005. "Explaining Militarization at Waco: Construction and Convergence of a Warfare Narrative," pp.75-97 in James R. Lewis (ed.), *Controversial New Religions*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Stuart A. Wright. 2005. "Deconstructing a Modern Witch Hunt: Satanic Cults, Ritual Abuse and Moral Panic," pp. 120-136 in Helen A. Berger (ed.), *Magic and Witchcraft in the New World*. Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press.

Stuart A. Wright. 2003. "Why Negotiations at Mt. Carmel Really Failed: Disinformation, Dissension and Psychological Warfare," pp.42-56 in David Tabb Stewart (ed.), *Waco: Ten Years After*. Georgetown, TX: Southwestern University Fleming Lecture Series.

Stuart A. Wright. 2003. "A Critical Analysis of Evidentiary and Procedural Rulings in the Branch Davidian Civil Trial," pp. 79-87 in Derek Davis and Barry Hankins (ed.), *New Religious Movements and Religious Liberty in America* (Second Edition). Waco: Baylor University Press.

Stuart A. Wright. 2003. "A Decade after Waco: Reassessing Crisis Negotiations at Mt. Carmel in Light of New Government Disclosures." *Nova Religio* 7 (2): 101-110.

Stuart A. Wright. 2002. "Public Agency Involvement in Movement-State Confrontations," pp.102-22 in David G. Bromley and J. Gordon Melton (eds.), *Cults, Religion and Violence*. New York: Cambridge University Press.

Stuart A. Wright. 2002. "A Critical Analysis of Evidentiary and Procedural Rulings in the Branch Davidian Civil Trial," pp. 101-113 in Derek Davis (ed.), *New Religious Movements and Religious Liberty in America*. Waco: Baylor University Press.

Stuart A. Wright. 2001. "Field Notes from Waco: Isabel Andrade et al v. U. S." Nova Religio 4 (2): 351-56.

Stuart A. Wright. 1999. "Anatomy of a Government Massacre: Abuses of Hostage-Barricade Protocols during the Waco Standoff." *Terrorism and Political Violence* 11 (2): 39-68.

Stuart A. Wright. 1999. "A Rejoinder to Gallagher, Noble and Docherty." *Terrorism and Political Violence* 11 (2): 87-92.

Stuart A. Wright. 1998. "Exploring Factors That Shape the Apostate Role," pp.95-114 in David G. Bromley (ed.), *The Politics of Religious Apostasy*. New York: Praeger.

Stuart A. Wright. 1998. "Exposicion oral para audiencias del congreso sobre Waco," pp.489-500 in Elio Masferrer Kan (ed.), Sectas o Iglesias: Viejos o Nuevos Movimientos Religiosos. Mexico: Plaza y Vlades.

Stuart A. Wright. 1997. Guest editor, special issue, "Mass Media and Unconventional Religion." *Review of Religious Research* 93 (2).

Stuart A. Wright. 1997. "Media Coverage of Unconventional Religion: Any `Good News' for Minority Faiths?" *Review of Religious Research* 93 (2): 101-115.

David W. Murphree, Stuart A. Wright and Helen R. Ebaugh. 1996. "Toxic Waste Siting and Community Response: How Co-optation of Local Citizen Opposition Failed." *Sociological Perspectives* 39 (4): 447-64.

Stuart A. Wright. 1995. "Religious Innovation in the Mainline Church: House Churches, Home Cells, and Small Groups," pp.261-81 in Nancy T. Ammerman and Wade Clark Roof (eds.), *Work, Family and Faith: New Patterns among Old Institutions*. New York: Routledge.

Stuart A. Wright. 1995. "Construction and Escalation of a 'Cult' Threat: Dissecting Moral Panic and Official Reaction to the Branch Davidians," pp.75-94 in Stuart A. Wright (ed.), *Armageddon in Waco: Critical Perspectives on the Branch Davidian Conflict*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Stuart A. Wright. 1994. "Generational Change, Adaptation and Survival in a New Religious Movement," pp.121-28 in James R. Lewis and Gordon Melton (eds.), *Sex, Slander and Salvation*. Stanford, CA: Center for Academic Publication.

Stuart A. Wright. 1993. "Citizen Information Levels and Grassroots Opposition to New Hazardous Waste Sites: Are NIMBYists Informed?" Waste Management 13: 253-259.

Stuart A. Wright and Helen R. Ebaugh. 1993. "Leaving New Religions," pp. 117-138 in David G. Bromley and Jeffrey K. Hadden (eds), *Handbook of Cults and Sects in America*. Greenwich: JAI Press.

Stuart A. Wright and William V. D'Antonio. 1993. "Families and New Religions," pp.219-240 in David G. Bromley and Jeffrey K. Hadden (eds.), *Handbook of Cults and Sects in America*. Greenwich, CT: JAI Press.

Stuart A. Wright. 1991. "Reconceptualizing Cult Coercion and Withdrawal: A Comparative Analysis of Divorce and Apostasy." *Social Forces 70 (1): 125-145*.

Stuart A. Wright. 1988. "Leaving New Religious Movements: Issues, Theory and Research," pp. 143-165 in David G. Bromley (ed), *Falling From the Faith: The Causes and Consequences of Religious Apostasy*. Beverly Hills: Sage.

Stuart A. Wright. 1986. "Dyadic Intimacy and Social Control in Three Religious Movements." *Sociological Analysis* 47 (2):137-150.

Stuart A. Wright and Elizabeth S. Piper. 1986. "Families and Cults: Familial Factors Related to

Youth Leaving or Remaining in Deviant Religious Groups." *Journal of Marriage and the Family 48* (1): 15-25.

Stuart A. Wright. 1984. "Post-Involvement Attitudes of Voluntary Defectors from Controversial New Religious Movements." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 23 (2): 172-182.

Stuart A. Wright. 1983. "Defection from New Religious Movements: A Test of Some Theoretical Propositions," pp. 106-121 in David G. Bromley and James T. Richardson (eds.), *The Deprogramming/Brainwashing Controversy: Sociological, Psychological, Legal and Historical Perspectives*. New York: Edwin Mellen.

William V. D'Antonio, William M. Newman and Stuart A. Wright. 1982. "Religion and Family Life: How Social Scientists View the Relationship." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 21 (3): 218-225.

Stuart A. Wright and William V. D'Antonio. 1981. "Reply to Yinger." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion 20 (1): 92.*

William M. Newman and Stuart A. Wright. 1980. "The Effects of Sermons among Lay Catholics: An Exploratory Study." *Review of Religious Research* 22 (1): 54-59.

Stuart A. Wright and William V. D' Antonio. 1980. "The Substructure of Religion: A Further Study." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 21 (3): 218-225.

Books:

Michael Stausberg, Stuart A. Wright, and Carole M. Cusack. 2020. *The Demise of Religion: How Religions End, Die, or Dissipate*. London: Bloomsbury Academic Publishers.

Stuart A. Wright and Susan J. Palmer. 2016. *Storming Zion: Government Raids on Religious Communities*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Stuart A. Wright and James T. Richardson. 2011. *Saints under Siege: The Texas State Raid on the Fundamentalist Latter Day Saints*. New York: New York University Press.

Stuart A. Wright. 2007. *Patriots, Politics and the Oklahoma City Bombing*. New York: Cambridge University Press.

Stuart A. Wright. 1995. *Armageddon in Waco: Critical Perspectives on the Branch Davidian Conflict.* Chicago: University of Chicago.

Stuart A. Wright. 1987. *Leaving Cults: The Dynamics of Defection*. Washington, D.C.: Society for the Scientific Study of Religion.

C. Kirk Hadaway, Stuart A. Wright and Francis DuBose. 1987. *Home Cell Groups and House Churches: Emerging Alternatives for the Urban Church*. Nashville: Broadman.

Invited Presentations and Lectures:

"Climate Change and Emerging Environmental Threats to the Upper Gulf Coast," presentation at the Social Justice Symposium, Lamar University, October 5, 2019.

"An Analytical Framework for Examining Religious Demise," presentation at Center for Advanced Study symposium, Oslo, Norway, May 16, 2009.

"Factors to Consider in the Trajectory of Violence in Millenarian Movements," invited lecture at the Centre for the Critical Study of Apocalyptic and Millenarian Movements (CenSAMM), Bedford, England, April 6-7, 2017.

"Storming Zion: Government Raids on Religious Communities," public lecture and book signing at Rice University, co-sponsored by the Department of Religion and the Religion & Public Life Program, Oct. 13, 2016.

"Storming Zion: Government Raids on Religious Communities," public lecture and book signing conducted in the Winter 2016 Lecture & Seminars Series hosted by the McGill Centre for Research on Religion, McGill University, Montreal, CA, Feb. 18, 2016.

"State Repression and the New Religious Pluralism," invited presentation at symposium sponsored by the Center for European Studies, "Crusade, Jihad, and the Multi-Sectarian State," University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, November 17, 2014.

"The Role of State Militarization in the 1993 Branch Davidian Conflict," invited presentation sponsored by the Institute for Religious Studies, Baylor University, "Reflecting on an American Tragedy" Symposium, April 18, 2013.

"The 2008 Texas State Raid on the Fundamentalist Latter Day Saints," invited address to Alpha Phi Sigma Criminal Justice Honor Society, Lamar University, April 1, 2013.

"Deconstructing Official Rationales for the Texas State Raid on the Fundamentalist Latter Day Saints Raid," Distinguished Lecturer for Sociology-in-Action Lecture Series, Agnes Arnold Auditorium, University of Houston, October 26, 2011.

"Innovation in Domestic Terrorism: A Case Study of the Oklahoma City Bombing," invited presentation to the U.S. Naval Academy Postgraduate School, *Innovations in WME Terrorism* conference sponsored by the Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA), Monterey, CA, August 5-6, 2010.

"Patriot Insurgency, State Militarization and the Oklahoma City Bombing," colloquial presentation to the Department of Sociology, University of Connecticut, March 25, 2008.

"Patriots, Police Militarization and the Oklahoma City Bombing," colloquial presentation to the Sociology Department, University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, February 25, 2008.

"Martyrs and Martial Images: Exploring the Volatile Link between Warfare Frames and

Religious Violence, paper presented at the conference, Dying for Faith: Religiously Motivated Violence in the Contemporary World, King's College, London, September 11, 2006.

"Analysis of a Burgeoning Racialist Transnational Network," invited presentation at the Rockefeller Foundation's Bellagio Center, Bellagio, Italy, October 18, 2005.

"Between Waco and Oklahoma City: McVeigh, Elohim City and the Patriot Movement," invited lecture sponsored by the Biever Lecture Series and the Religious Studies Department, Loyola University, New Orleans, Feb. 16, 2004.

"Why Crisis Negotiations at Mt. Carmel Really Failed: Disinformation, Dissension and Psychological Warfare," invited lecture sponsored by the Fleming Lecture Series in Religion, Southwestern University, Georgetown, TX, Feb.26, 2003.

"France's Anti-Sect Campaign: Religious Sects, Human Rights and the Media." Workshop presentation at Harvard University, co-sponsored by Kennedy School of Government, Carr Center for Human Rights and Center for the Study of World Religion, October 19-20, 2001, Cambridge, MA.

"Crisis Negotiations with Militant or Apocalyptic Sects." Seminar presented to Beaumont Police Department, Hostage Negotiation Unit, May 10, 2001.

"Problems with Evidentiary and Procedural Rulings in the Branch Davidian Civil Trial," invited presentation to the "New Religious Movements and Religious Liberty in America" conference sponsored by J.M. Dawson Institute of Church-State Studies, Baylor University, Waco, TX, February 23-24, 2001.

"Emerging Religious Liberty Issues in North America and Western Europe," invited presentation to the International Conference for Religious Freedom, Berlin, May 10-14, 1998.

"The Social and Political Repercussions of the Federal Siege at Waco," invited lecture to Department of Sociology, California State University at Long Beach, April 24, 1998.

"Religious Movements and Sects: What We Know from 25 years of Social Science Research." Seminar presented to Jefferson County Sheriff's Association, John Gray Institute, Beaumont, TX., July 30, 1993.

"Environmental Threat, Toxic Waste and Public Policy," invited presentation to Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, Lamar University, April 25, 1991.

"Environmental Awareness, Community Organization and Pollution." Presentation at the Environmental Issues Workshop, John Gray Institute, Beaumont, Texas, July 30, 1991.

"Environmental Activism, Public Opinion and Hazardous Wastes: Exploring the Siting Impasse." Colloquium presentation to the Department of Sociology, University of Houston, October 30, 1990.

Papers Presented at Professional Meetings:

"Christian Nationalism, Defiant Prophets, and the January 6 Insurrection at the U.S. Capitol." Paper presented at the Religion, War, and Peace Conference, Bordeaux, France, October 13-14, 2022.

"Prophesying Trump's Victory: Examining Mass Prophetic Failure." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Portland, OR. Oct. 22-24, 2021.

"Coercive State Actions Leading to Demise of Minority Religions." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion, New York, August 11-13, 2019.

"Analysis of Media Reconstructions of the Waco Branch Davidian Conflict for the 25th Anniversary." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Las Vegas, NV, October 24-26, 2018.

"Media Reconstructions of the Waco Branch Davidian Conflict on the 25th Anniversary." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion, Philadelphia, PA, August 11-13, 2018.

"Examining Exogenous Conditions and Factors in the Trajectory of Violence in Millenarian Movements." Paper presented at the joint meeting of the American Sociological Association and the Association for the Sociology of Religion, Montreal, CA, August 14-16, 2017.

"Countermovement Mobilization and State Raids on Minority Religious Communities." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, CA, August 12, 2017.

"Explaining Patterns of Government Raids on New or Nontraditional Religions: Strategic Framing, Countermobilization, and Expanded State Control." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Atlanta, GA Oct. 28-30, 2016.

Author-Meets-Critics panel, Stuart A. Wright and Susan J. Palmer, *Storming Zion: Government Raids on Religious Communities* (Oxford University Press). Organized for the annual meeting of Association for the Sociology of Religion, Seattle, WA, August 18-21, 2016.

Author-Meets-Critics panel, Stuart A. Wright and Susan J. Palmer, *Storming Zion: Government Raids on Religious Communities* (Oxford University Press). Organized for the annual meeting of Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Newport Beach, CA, Oct. 22-25, 2015.

"Disengagement and Apostasy in New Religious Movements: Methodological Issues and Challenges." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Indianapolis, Oct.30-Nov.2, 2014.

"Women's Empowerment in the Muslim Community" (with Jennifer Lara Fagen). Paper presented at the annual CESNUR meeting, Baylor University, June 4-8, 2014.

"Government Raids in France, 1989-2011." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Boston, Nov.7-10, 2013.

"Examining Government Raids on New Religious Movements in Twelve Countries." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Phoenix, November 4-6, 2012.

"Crisis in the Wake of the Texas State Raid on the Fundamentalist Latter Day Saints," presented (with James T. Richardson) at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Chicago, Nov. 12-14, 2012.

"Texas Redux: A Comparative Analysis of the FLDS and Branch Davidian Raids," (with Jennifer Lara Fagen). Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Baltimore, MD, Nov. 4-6, 2010.

"Disengagement and Apostasy in New Religious Movements," presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Denver, CO, October 24-26, 2009.

"Deconstructing Official Rationales for the Texas State Raid on the FLDS." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Louisville, KY, October 26-28, 2008.

"Failed Prophecy and Group Demise: The Case of Chen Tao." Presented at the INFORM/CESNUR international conference, "Twenty Years and More: Research into Minority Religions, New Religious Movements and the New Spirituality," London, April 16-19, 2008.

"Reframing Religious Violence after 9/11." Presented at the annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Portland, OR, Nov.1-3, 2006.

"Constructing a Terrorism Narrative: Anticult Framing and Religious Violence after 9-11." Presented at the annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Kansas City, MO, Oct. 22-24, 2004.

"Reassessing Failed Negotiations in the Waco Standoff," Presented at the annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Norfolk, VA, Oct.24-26, 2003.

"Violence and New Religious Movements: The Role of Intermediary Groups." International conference sponsored by INFORM/CESNUR, Religious Pluralism in the 21st Century, London, April 19-22, 2001.

"The Waco Branch Davidian Civil Trial: Problems Stemming from Evidentiary and Procedural Rulings." Presented at the annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Houston, Oct.18-21, 2000.

"Public Agency Involvement in Sect-State Confrontations." Presented at the annual meetings of

the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Boston, November 5-7, 1999.

"Chen Tao: A Preliminary Case Study in the Failure of Prophecy." Presented at the annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Montreal, November 4-6, 1998.

"Hostage-Barricade Incidents Involving Defiant Sects: Another Look at Waco." Presented at the annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, San Diego, Nov 7-9, 1997.

"Exploring the Varieties of Apostate Roles." Presented at the annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Nashville, Nov 8-10, 1996.

"Death of a Prophet: Charismatic Succession in a Religious Movement" Presented at the annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, St. Louis, MO, Oct 27-29, 1995.

"Generational Change and Adaptation in a Controversial NRM." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Albuquerque, NM, Nov 4-6, 1994.

"Local Environmental Protest and Technical Controversy in a Siting Dispute." Presented at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Los Angeles, August 5-9, 1994.

"Environmental Activism and Clergy Involvement: Re-examining the Religious Meaning of Environmental Threat." Presented at the annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Raleigh, NC, October 28-30, 1993.

"Toxic Waste Siting and Community Response: Conflict, Compromise and Cooperation" (with David Murphree). Presented at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Miami, FL, August 15-19, 1992.

"Grassroots Environmentalism, Knowledge and Toxic Waste Siting." Presented at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Pittsburgh, August 20-24, 1992.

"Cults in the Courtroom: Motives, Confluence and Retrospective Accounts." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Pittsburgh, PA. November 4-6, 1991.

"Cults, Coercion and Psychiatric Inculpation: Debunking Cult-Induced Behavioral Symptoms." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, October 26-28, Salt Lake City, 1989.

"Religious Fundamentalist Reactions to Public Education: Preliminary Results from a National Sample of Home Schooling Families." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Southwestern Social Science Association, March 1988, Houston, Texas.

"Home Schools, Value Conflict, and Socialization." Presented at the annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, November 1986, Washington DC.

"The Dynamics of Cult Disengagement: An Analysis of Exiting Modes." Presented at the annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, October 1985, Savannah, GA.

"Deconversion and Reality-Transformation: A Model of Defection." Presented at the annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, October 1981, Baltimore, MD.

"Secularization, Religious Dissent and Unconventional Movements." Presented at the annual meetings of the Southwestern Sociological Association, April 1981, Houston, Texas.

"A Research Note on Yinger's Substructure of Religion" (with William V. D'Antonio). Presented at the annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, October 1979, San Antonio, Texas.

Media Interviews and Editorials:

Interview with Andrew Rice, contributing editor to *The New Yorker*, on President Biden's new Attorney General, Merrick Garland and his role in overseeing the Oklahoma City bombing, as well as the government's broader approach to dealing with far-right extremist groups in the 1990s, March 16, 2021.

Interview with Jillian Fertig, The Morning Show on KFDM 6 News regarding far-right political activity in southeast Texas leading up to the presidential election, November 5, 2020.

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