

DYLAN C. PENNINGROTH

EMPLOYMENT

- 2003- Associate Professor, History Department, Northwestern University
2007-2012 Research Fellow, American Bar Foundation
2002-03 Visiting Assistant Professor, History Department, Northwestern
1999-2002 Assistant Professor, History Department, University of Virginia

EDUCATION

- Johns Hopkins University, M.A. 1996, Ph.D. in History 2000
Yale University, B.A. with Distinction in History, May 1993

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2008-10 Wayne V. Jones Research Professorship in History, Northwestern
2006-07 National Endowment for the Humanities Fellow, Newberry Library
2005-08 Distinguished Lecturer, Organization of American Historians
2006 Lane Professor in the Humanities, Northwestern
2004 Avery O. Craven Award, Organization of American Historians
2000 Allan Nevins Prize, The Society of American Historians
1998-99 Pre-doctoral Fellowship, Carter G. Woodson Institute for African and African American Studies, University of Virginia
1998 Huggins-Quarles Award, Organization of American Historians
1998 W. M. Keck Foundation and Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Summer Fellowship, Huntington Library
1994-98 Dean's Graduate Fellowship, Johns Hopkins
1997-98 Sawyer Seminar Fellowship, Mellon Foundation, Johns Hopkins
1997 Southern History Research Fellowship, Johns Hopkins
1996 Travel Grant, Institute for Global Studies, Johns Hopkins
1996 Smithsonian Graduate Summer Fellowship, National Museum of American History

PUBLICATIONS

"African American Divorce in Virginia and Washington DC, 1865-1930," *Journal of Family History*, vol. 33, no. 1 (2008), 21-35

"The Claims of Slaves and Ex-Slaves to Family and Property: A Transatlantic Comparison," *American Historical Review* 112, no. 4 (2007), 1039-69

"My People, My People: The Dynamics of Community in Southern Slavery," 166-76, in *New Studies in the History of American Slavery*, ed. Edward E. Baptist and Stephanie M.H. Camp, University of Georgia Press, 2006

The Claims of Kinfolk: African American Property and Community in the Nineteenth-Century South, Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2003

“Slavery, Freedom, and Social Claims to Property Among African-Americans in Liberty County, Georgia, 1850-1880,” *Journal of American History* 84 (Sept. 1997), 405-35

BOOK REVIEWS

Gwendolyn Midlo Hall, *Slavery and African Ethnicities in the Americas: Restoring the Links* (Chapel Hill, 2005), in *Journal of American History* 93, no. 2 (2006), 518-19

Wilma A. Dunaway, *The African-American Family in Slavery and Emancipation* (New York, 2003), in *Journal of American History* 91, no. 2 (2004), 642-43

African American Life in the Rural South, 1900-1950, ed. R. Douglas Hurt (Columbia, Mo., 2003), in *North Carolina Historical Review* 81, no. 1 (2004), 125-26

Amy Dru Stanley, *From Bondage to Contract: Wage Labor, Marriage, and the Market in the Age of Slave Emancipation* (New York and Cambridge, Eng., 1998), in *Journal of American History* 88 (Mar. 2002), 1535

Walter Johnson, *Soul by Soul: Life inside the Antebellum Slave Market* (Cambridge, 1999), in *Journal of American History* 88 (Sept. 2001), 644

Jenny Bourne Wahl, *The Bondsman's Burden: An Economic Analysis of the Common Law of Southern Slavery* (New York and Cambridge, Eng., 1998), in *Labor History* 42, no. 2 (2001), 199-200

Jon F. Sensbach, *A Separate Canaan: The Making of an Afro-Moravian World in North Carolina, 1763-1840* (Chapel Hill, 1998), in *Journal of Interdisciplinary History* 30, no. 4 (2000), 701-702

Jeffrey R. Kerr-Ritchie, *Freedpeople in the Tobacco South: Virginia, 1860-1900* (Chapel Hill, 1999), in *Labor History* 41, no. 4 (2000), 525-26

Philip D. Morgan, *Slave Counterpoint: Black Culture in the Eighteenth-Century Chesapeake and Lowcountry* (Chapel Hill, 1998), in *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography* 107, no. 3 (1999), 317-18

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

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| 2008 | Chair, “Revisiting the Slave Community,” OAH annual meeting, New York |
| 2007 | “The Preacher's Wife: Law, Divorce, and Respectability among African Americans, 1865-1930,” Legal History Colloquium, Harvard Law School; The Seminar, Johns Hopkins History Department |
| 2007 | “The Slave Community and African Slavery,” British-American Nineteenth Century History meeting, Cambridge, England |
| 2007 | “African American Divorce in Virginia and Washington DC, 1865-1930,” AHA annual meeting, Atlanta |

- 2006 "Slaves' Claims to Family and Property in Southern Gold Coast and the U.S. South," Rock Ethics Institute, Penn State Univ.
- 2006 Respondent, "Rethinking Rebellious Slaves and Slave Rebellions," SHEAR annual meeting, Montreal
- 2006 "Kinship," symposium on New World Slavery: History, Memory and Redress, Univ. of Southern California
- 2006 "Slaves' Claims to Family and Property in Southern Gold Coast and the U.S. South," Legal History Workshop, American Bar Foundation
- 2006 "The Idea of Ancestry: Family Land and Local Courts in the Jim Crow South," AHA annual meeting, Philadelphia
- 2005 Consultant for Teaching American History institute, Evanston
- 2005 Organizer and panelist, "Inheritance in Comparative Perspective: West Africa and the U.S.," Law & Society Association annual meeting, Las Vegas
- 2005 "A Question of Belonging," Distinguished Lecturer Series, Stanford History Department
- 2004 Panelist, "New Meanings of Property in Legal History," American Society for Legal History
- 2004 Organizer, "Slavery: State of the Field," OAH Plenary
- 2004 Panelist, "Transforming Slavery" Conference, Univ. of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
- 2004 Legal History Workshop, Columbia Law School
- 2004 Commenter, "African Americans and the State in the United States and Canada," AHA annual meeting
- 2003 "One of the Family? The End of Slavery in Fante, West Africa, 1868-1930," American Bar Foundation
- 2003 "The Dynamics of Community in Southern Slavery," OAH
- 2003 "After the Love Has Gone: Marital Exits Among Freedpeople," USC Law School
- 2002 "Taking Kin to Court: The Renegotiation of Property and Family in the Freedmen's Courts," American Society for Legal History Annual Conference
- 2002 "Loud talking, landscapes, and black life in the 19th-century Lowcountry," presented at "The Material World of Tidewater, Lowcountry, and Caribbean," College of Charleston
- 2002 "My People, My people: The Dynamics of Community in Southern Slavery," presented at symposium "New Studies in American Slavery," Univ. of Washington, Seattle
- 2002 "The Black Family During Reconstruction," Woodrow Wilson Center
- 2001 "One of the family? The dynamics of kinship among African Americans in the age of emancipation," Southern Historical Association
- 2001 "The Role of African Studies in African American History," presented at "Rethinking Nineteenth-Century American History," Stanford Univ.
- 2000 "Reconstructing Property: African Americans and the Southern Claims Commission," presented at Washington and Lee Law School

- 1999 "The Dynamics of Kinship Among African Americans During the Emancipation Process," presented at "Slave Routes: The Long Memory," symposium sponsored by UNESCO, New York University, Schomburg Center, and Smithsonian Institution
- 1999 Visiting Scholar, McNutt Graduate History Workshop Series, Indiana University, Bloomington, April 27-28, 1999
- 1998 Commentator, "Historical Perspectives on Race and Law in the United States," Conference at University of Wisconsin Law School, Madison
- 1998 "Social Claims to Property Among Enslaved African Americans, 1850-1880," presented at Cultural Studies in the African Diaspora Colloquium, UCLA
- 1997 "Social Claims to Property Among African Americans in the U.S. South Before the Civil War," presented at California Institute of Technology
- 1997 "One of the Family? Abolition and Social Claims to Property in the Gold Coast, 1868-1885," presented to Johns Hopkins Institute for Global Studies in Culture, Power, and History

PEER REVIEW AND RELATED ACTIVITIES

Referee for Journal of Southern History, Oxford Univ. Press, Cambridge Univ. Press, University of North Carolina Press

TEACHING

United States Legal and Constitutional History since 1850
 First Year Graduate Research Seminar
 Blacks and the Law
 African American History, 1500-1870
 African American History Since 1860
 Coordinator, Introduction to African American and African Studies (Univ. Virginia)
 Gender and Slavery
 Slavery and Emancipation in West Africa and the U.S. South
 The Black Family

SERVICE

2008-10 Editorial Board, *Journal of American History*
 2007-08 Council member, Center for Historical Studies, Northwestern
 2007-08 Chair, U.S. Borderlands Search Committee
 2007-08 Policy Committee, American Bar Foundation
 2007-08 Research Committee, American Bar Foundation
 2006-08 Tenure Committee, Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences, Northwestern
 2006-08 2008 Program Committee, Organization of American Historians
 2005-07 Surrency Prize Committee, American Society for Legal History
 2005-06 2006 Program Committee, Southern Historical Association
 2005-06 Chair, Native American/Environmental History Search Committee
 2004-05 Chair, Early America/Early National Search Committee
 2004-05 Member, College Ad Hoc Committee

- Jan. 2003 Panelist, Public Programs Division, National Endowment for the Humanities
- June 2003 Consultant for NEH Summer Seminar, "Roots," Univ. of Virginia
- 2002 Member of Woodson Institute Postdoctoral Fellowship Selection Committee, Univ. of Virginia
- 2001 Search committee in Modern West African History, Univ. of Virginia
- 2001 "Arts and Sciences Envision," University of Virginia strategic planning
- 1999-2002 Steering Committee, Carter G. Woodson Institute for African American and African Studies
- 1998 Member of Woodson Institute Fellowship Selection Committee
- 1999-2002 Head of Curriculum Redesign Committee and Coordinator for Introduction to African American and African Studies (AAS 101)