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### EDUCATION

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MA, History, Brigham Young University, 1986. Thesis title: "John C. Fremont's Expeditions into Utah: An Historical Analysis of the Explorer's Significance and Contribution to the Region."



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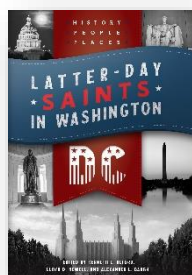
- 2016–2021      Chair, Department of Church History and Doctrine, BYU.
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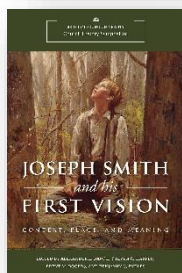
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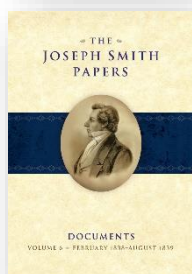
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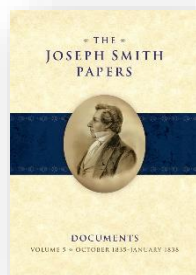
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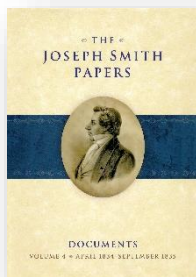
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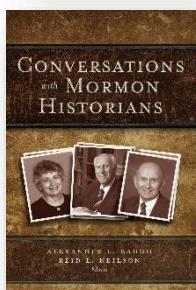
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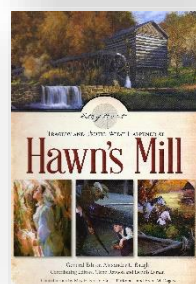
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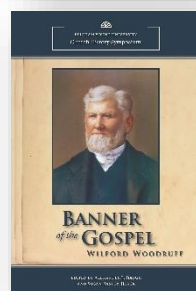
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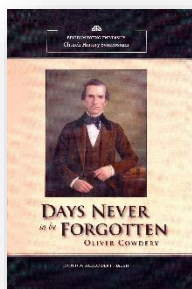
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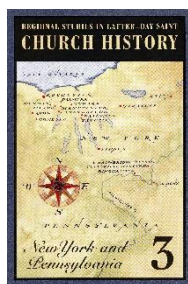
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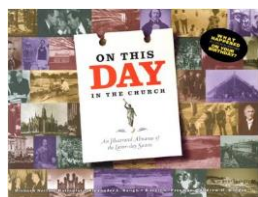
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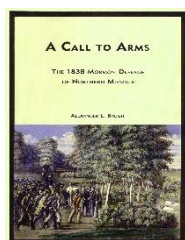
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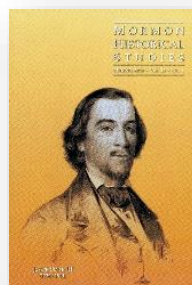


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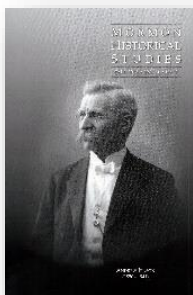


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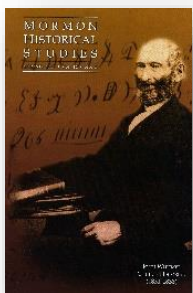
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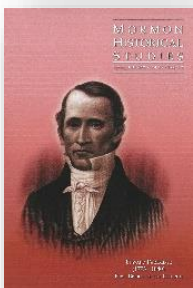
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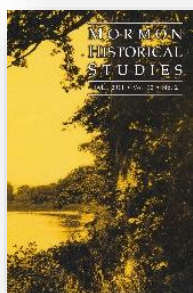
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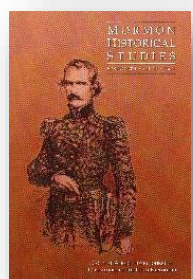
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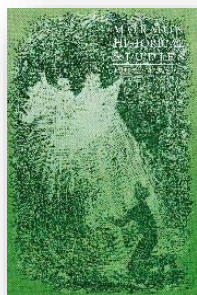
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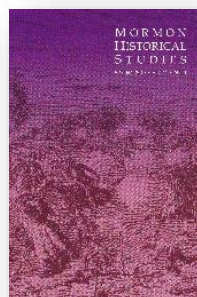
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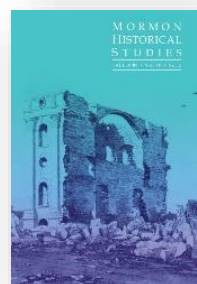
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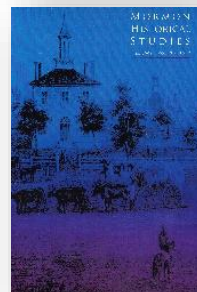
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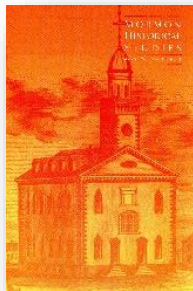
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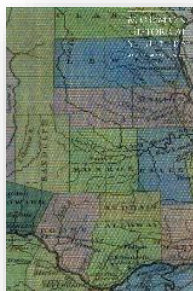
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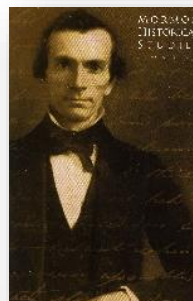
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2021 (2) "Ezra T. Benson's Iowa Experience," Kaneshville to Council Bluffs, 1846–2021: The 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference, Western Iowa Community College, Council Bluffs, Iowa, August 21, 2021.

"The Missouri-Mormon Experience," John A. Widtsoe Foundation, live digital presentation, May 16, 2021.

2020 (2) "An Iconic Relic from the Original Nauvoo Temple: The Smithsonian Sunstone in the National Museum of American History," Mormon History Association Digital Conference, June 6, 2020.

- “Joseph Smith’s Multiple Visions of the Father and the Son, 1820–1836,” 2020 Church History Symposium, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, March 12, 2020.
- 2020 (2) “An Iconic Relic from the Original Nauvoo Temple: The Smithsonian Sunstone in the National Museum of American History,” Mormon History Association Digital Conference, June 6, 2020.
- “Joseph Smith’s Multiple Visions of the Father and the Son, 1820–1836,” 2020 Church History Symposium, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, March 12, 2020.
- 2019 (5) “Liberty Jail: Myths and Misconceptions,” John Whitmer Historical Association Conference, Fairport, New York, September 27, 2019.
- “An Iconic Relic from the Original Nauvoo Temple: The Smithsonian Sunstone in the National Museum of American History,” BYU Church History Symposium, Washington, DC, June 15, 2019.
- “Another Prophet in the City of the Saints,” Joseph Smith III’s 1876 Visit to Utah Territory,” Mormon History Association Conference, Salt Lake City, Utah, June 8, 2019.
- Panelist, “Parley P. Pratt Letters and Documents, Volume 1,” Mormon History Association Conference, Salt Lake City, Utah, June 7, 2019
- “Joseph Smith, Women, and the Temple,” Brigham Young University Religious Education Ancient Scripture Faculty, February 7, 2019.
- 2018 (2) “A Lonesome Prison: The Arrest and Incarceration of the Mormon Prisoners in Liberty Jail, 1838–1839,” History of the Saints Conference, St. George, Utah, November 17, 2018.
- “The Missouri-Mormon War on Television: A Portrayal of Alexander W. Doniphan’s Involvement in the 1838 Conflict on NBC’s TV Series *Profiles in Courage*,” John Whitmer Historical Association Conference, Blue Springs, Missouri, September 21, 2018.
- 2017 (5) “We have a company of Danites in these times”: The Mormon Danites and the 1838 Missouri-Mormon Conflict,” Joseph Smith Papers Conference, Salt Lake City, Utah, October 20, 2017.

- “David Whitmer: Early Mormon Leader, Richmond Businessman, Civic Servant,” David Whitmer Symposium, Richmond, Missouri, September 2, 2017.
- “Leonard J. Arrington and the LDS Church,” Leonard J. Arrington Centennial Conference, Utah State University, Logan, Utah, July 13, 2017.
- “Laying the Foundation of Zion: Joseph Smith’s 1831 Mission to Western Missouri,” Mormon History Association Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, 2017.
- “Part of the Family: Joseph Smith’s Dog, Old Major,” Mormon History Association Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, June 2, 2017.
- 2016 (4) “A Case Study in the Depiction of the 1838-Missouri Mormon War on NBC’s Television Series Profiles in Courage, 1965,” Mormon Media Studies Conference, Brigham Young University – Hawaii, Laie, Hawaii, November 2, 2016.
- “The History and Doctrine of the Adam-ondi-Ahman Revelation (D&C 116),” Foundations of the Restoration: Fulfillment of the Covenant Purposes, 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Sidney B. Sperry Symposium, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, October 28, 2016.
- “Lilburn W. Boggs: Merchant, Politician, and California Pioneer,” Alexander W. Doniphan Symposium, William Jewell College, Liberty, Missouri, October 22, 2016.
- “Alexander W. Doniphan: A Life without Reproach,” Alexander W. Doniphan Symposium, William Jewell College, Liberty, Missouri, October 22, 2016.
- 2015 (3) “The Adam-ondi-Ahman Revelation: Historical and Textual Analysis of Doctrine and Covenants Section 116,” John Whitmer Historical Association Conference, Independence, Missouri, September 25, 2015.
- “‘I Will Soften the Hearts of the People’: Mormon-Gentile Relations in Clay County, Missouri, 1833–1839,” Mormon History Association Conference, Provo, Utah, June 6, 2015

- “‘Tis Not for Crimes That I Have Done’: Parley P. Pratt’s Missouri Imprisonment, 1838–1839,” Sons of Utah Pioneers National Convention, Salt Lake City, Utah, May 9, 2015.
- 2014 (4) “Old and New: The History of the Original and Reconstructed Liberty Jails,” Mormon History Association Conference, San Antonio, Texas, June 7, 2014.
- “Film Screening of *Tragedy & Truth: What Happened at Hawn’s Mill*,” 2014 LDS Film Festival, Scera Theater, Orem, Utah February 7, 2014.
- 2013 (7) “Reconstructing the Hawn’s Mill Tragedy: New Insights and Interpretations,” Hawn’s Mill 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemoration, This is the Place Heritage State Park, Salt Lake City, Utah, October 30, 2013.
- “Walls of Stone, Rock, and Timber: The Historic Liberty Jail in Clay County, Missouri,” Historic Liberty Jail 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemorative Symposium, Liberty, Missouri, October 12, 2013.
- “A Loathsome Prison: The Incarceration of the Mormon Prisoners in Liberty Jail, 1838–1839,” Historic Liberty Jail 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemorative Symposium, Liberty, Missouri, October 12, 2013.
- “The Latter-day Saints Clay County Experience, 1833–1836,” Historic Liberty Jail 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemorative Symposium, Liberty, Missouri, October 12, 2013.
- “A Loathsome Prison: The History of the Liberty, Missouri Jail,” John Whitmer Historical Association Conference, Council Bluffs, Iowa, September 28, 2013.
- “Excavating the Mormon Past: The 1888 Travel Writings of Mormon Historian Andrew Jenson,” Mormon Historical Association Conference, Layton, Utah, June 7, 2013.
- “Oliver Cowdery: Second Elder and Witness of the Restoration,” Sons of Utah Pioneers Annual Historic Symposium, Salt Lake City, Utah, May 11, 2013.
- 2012 (5) “The Adam-ondi-Ahman Revelation: Historical and Textual Analysis of Doctrine and Covenants Section 116,” Sidney B. Sperry Symposium, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, October 26, 2012.



- “Purchasing Zion: Mormon Land Acquisition in Jackson County, Missouri, 1831–1833,” John Whitmer Historical Association Conference, Independence, Missouri, September 22, 2012.
- “John C. Fremont’s 1842 and 1843–1844 Western Expeditions and the Mormons in Illinois,” Washington University, The Mormon Exodus Regional Studies Tour, sponsored by Brigham Young University Department of Church History and Doctrine, St. Louis, Missouri, July 12, 2012.
- “Purchasing Zion: Mormon Land Acquisition in Jackson County, Missouri, 1831–1833,” Mormon History Association Conference, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, June 30, 2012.
- “The Authors Meets the Critics: Discussion of Terryl L. Givens and Matthew J. Grow, *Parley P. Pratt: The Apostle Paul of Mormonism*” (discussant), Mormon History Association Conference, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, June 30, 2012.
- 2011 (2) “Leadership in Zion: The Almost Forgotten Missouri Presidency, 1834–1838,” John Whitmer Historical Association Conference, Nauvoo Illinois, September 23, 2011.
- “Defending Mormonism: The Scandinavian Mission Presidency of Andrew Jensen, 1909–1912, “Go Ye into All the World”: The Growth and Development of LDS Missionary Work, BYU Church History Symposium, Provo, Utah, March 5, 2011.
- 2010 (5) “The 1838 Mormon-Missouri War: Causes, Conflicts, and Campaigns,” Miller Eccles Study Group (Los Angeles County Group), La Canada Flintridge, California, November 13, 2010.
- “The 1838 Mormon-Missouri War: Causes, Conflicts, and Campaigns,” Miller Eccles Study Group (Orange County Group), Villa Park, California, November 12, 2010.
- “The 1838 Mormon War: Causes, Conflicts, and Campaigns,” Claremont Graduate University Mormon Studies Student Association, Claremont, California, November 12, 2010.
- “Another Prophet in Utah: Joseph Smith III’s 1876 Visit to Salt Lake City,” John Whitmer History Association Conference, Rockford, Illinois, September 25, 2010.

- "Jacob Hawn and the Hawn's Mill Massacre: Missouri Millwright, Oregon Pioneer," Mormon History Association Conference, Independence, Missouri, May 29, 2010.
- 2009 (1) "The Independence, Missouri Temple Lot: A Photographic History," Centro Studi sulle Nuove Religioni (Center for the Study of New Religions-CESNUR), Salt Lake City, Utah, June 11, 2009.
- 2008 (1) "A Photographic History of the Temple Lot in Independence, Missouri," John Whitmer Historical Association Conference, Burlington-Voree, Wisconsin, September 26, 2008.
- 2007 (4) "Images of Wilford Woodruff's Life: A Photographic Journey," Wilford Woodruff Symposium, Yale Divinity School, New Haven, Connecticut, November 10, 2007.
- "Images of Wilford Woodruff's Life: A Photographic Journey," Wilford Woodruff Symposium, Brigham Young University, October 12, 2007.
- "The Last Chapter of Mormonism in Missouri in the 1830s: The Incarceration of the Mormon Prisoners in Richmond and Columbia Jails," John Whitmer Historical Association Conference, Kirtland, Ohio, September, 29, 2007.
- "Parley P. Pratt's Missouri Imprisonment Letters," Religion and Reaction: The Life, Times, and Legacy of Parley P. Pratt, Ft. Smith, Arkansas, September 21, 2007.
- 2006 (1) "'For the Ground upon Which Thou Standest is Holy': The Mormon Temple Site at Far West, Missouri," The Mormon Missouri Experience: From Conflict to Understanding, Jefferson City, Missouri, September 9, 2006.
- 2005 (1) "Setting the Record Straight: Historical Insights and Discoveries from the Joseph Smith Papers," Mormon History Association Conference, Killington, Vermont, May 28, 2005.
- 2004 (1) "Another Prophet in Zion: Joseph Smith III's 1876 Visit to Utah," Mormon History Association Conference, Provo, Utah, May 20, 2004.
- 2003 (2) "Missouri Mormon Danites," panel discussion, John Whitmer Historical Association Conference, Excelsior Springs, Missouri, September 26, 2003.

- "The Joseph Smith Papers, 1834-1838," Mormon History Association Conference, Painesville, Ohio, May 24, 2003.
- 2002 (1) "A Remnant Preserved: Stones and Artifacts from the Original Nauvoo Temple," John Whitmer Historical Association Conference, Nauvoo, Illinois, September 27, 2002.
- 2000 (4) "Left Behind But Not Forgotten: The Far West Settlement and the Temple Site," Missouri Mormon Heritage Conference, Independence, Missouri, September 15, 2000.
- "Andrew Jenson's Danish-Norwegian Mission Presidency, 1909-1912," Mormon History Association Conference, Aalborg, Denmark, June 29, 2000.
- "Civil Conflict on the Western American Frontier: Missouri, 1831-1839," Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, April, 14, 2000.
- "Logan's Music Man: The Life and Times of Frank Baugh," Cache Valley Historical Society, April 5, 2000.
- 1999 (4) "'We Took Our Change of Venue to the State of Illinois': The Gallatin Hearing and the Escape of Joseph Smith and the Mormon Prisoners From Missouri, April 1839," Quincy History Symposium, Quincy, Illinois, November 6, 1999.
- "Mormon Historic Sites in Caldwell County," John Whitmer Historical Association Conference, Excelsior Springs, Missouri, September 25, 1999.
- "Mormon History in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century," moderator and panel member, Mormon History Association Conference, Ogden, Utah, May 22, 1999.
- "The Danites Reexamined," Mormon History Association Conference, Ogden, Utah, May 22, 1999.
- 1998 (2) "'Lest We Forget': Remembering the Victims of the Haun's [Hawn's] Mill Massacre," Haun's [Hawn's] Mill Commemoration, Far West, Missouri, October 30, 1998.
- "Historical Setting of the Far West, Missouri, Revelations: D&C 113-115, 117-120," CES Doctrine and Covenants and Church History Symposium, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, August 12, 1998.

1997 (3) "The Polynesian Cultural Center: Mormon Showcase in the Pacific," *Pioneers in the Pacific Conference*, Brigham Young University-Hawaii, Laie, Hawaii, October 10, 1997.

"Governor Lilburn W. Boggs: From Missouri to California," *Missouri Mormon Frontier Foundation*, Independence, Missouri, April 24, 1997.

"Haun's [Hawn's] Mill Reexamined," *Mormon History Student Association*, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, March 6, 1997.

1996 (3) "'For the Ground on Which Thou Standest is Holy': The Temple Site at Far West, Missouri," *Sidney B. Sperry Symposium on the Doctrine and Covenants*, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, October 19, 1996.

"Haun's [Hawn's] Mill Reexamined," *John Whitmer Historical Association Conference*, Independence, Missouri, September 28, 1996.

"Governor Lilburn W. Boggs: From Missouri to California," *California Regional Studies Tour*, Brigham Young University Department of Church History and Doctrine, Napa, California, August 1, 1996.

1993 (1) "The Visions of Joseph Smith," *CES Doctrine and Covenants and Church History Symposium*, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, August 11, 1993.

1992 (1) "Joseph Smith's Physical Constitution and Athletic Nature," *Joseph Smith Symposium*, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, February 22, 1992.

1991 (1) "Encounter at Crooked River: Causes and Consequences," *Missouri Symposium*, Department of Church History and Doctrine, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, March 29, 1991.

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND SERVICE**

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### **MORMON HISTORY ASSOCIATION (MHA)**

2021–present *Journal of Mormon History* Review Board

2017–2020 Mormon History Association board member, publications chair

2009	Mormon History Association program chair
2002–2006	Mormon History Association awards committee chairman for best undergraduate and graduate papers
1999–2002	Mormon History Association nominating committee
1995–1998	Mormon History Association awards committee for best articles
1985–present	Mormon History Association member

### JOHN WHITMER HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION (JWHA)

2018–2020	John Whitmer Historical Association nominating committee
2008–2009	John Whitmer Historical Association President nominating committee chair
2006–2007	John Whitmer Historical Association President
2005–2008	John Whitmer Historical Association board member
2005–2006	John Whitmer Historical Association President-elect
1999–2001	John Whitmer Historical Association, awards committee for best articles
1997–2002	John Whitmer Historical Association board member
1995–present	John Whitmer Historical Association member

### MORMON HISTORIC SITES FOUNDATION (MHFS)

2006–2014	Editor, <i>Mormon Historical Studies</i>
2000–2006	Assistant editor, <i>Mormon Historical Studies</i>
1999–2002	Newsletter editor, <i>Site and Scene: Newsletter of the Mormon Historic Sites Foundation</i>

- 1999–2014 Mormon Historic Sites Foundation board member
- 1997–1999 Assistant editor, *Nauvoo Journal* (Note: *Nauvoo Journal* became *Mormon Historical Studies* in 2000.)
- 1996–1999 Editorial board, *Nauvoo Journal* (Note: *Nauvoo Journal* became *Mormon Historical Studies* in 2000.)

### MISSOURI MORMON FRONTIER FOUNDATION (MMFF)

- 1997–present Missouri Mormon Frontier Foundation member

### HISTORY OF THE SAINTS, INC.

- 2013–present *History of the Saints* board member

### HONORARY SOCIETY OF PHI KAPPA PHI

- 2015–present Honorary Society of Phi Kappa Phi member

### HISTORICAL AND PROFESSIONAL HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2018 Harvey B. Black and Susan Easton Black Outstanding Publication Award, given in recognition for the outstanding published article or academic book in Church History and Doctrine, presented by Brigham Young University Department of Religious Education, April 6, 2018, for the book *Documents Volume 6: February 1838–August 1839*, Vol. 6 of the Documents series of *The Joseph Smith Papers*. Salt Lake City: Church Historian’s Press, 2017, 775 pp., co-edited with Mark Ashurst-McGee, David W. Grua, Elizabeth A Kuhen, and Brenden W. Rensink.
- 2014 Richard L. Anderson Research Award, given in recognition for outstanding research and scholarship, presented by Brigham Young University, Department of Religious Education, March 28, 2014.
- 2010 Harvey B. Black and Susan Easton Black Outstanding Publication Award, given in recognition for the outstanding published article or

academic book in *Church History and Doctrine*, presented by Brigham Young University Department of Religious Education, March 11, 2010, for the article “Jacob Hawn and the Hawn’s Mill Massacre: Missouri Millwright and Oregon Pioneer,” *Mormon Historical Studies* 11, no. 1 (Spring 2010): 1–25.

- 2006–2007 President, John Whitmer Historical Association, 2006–07
- 2000 Religious Education Award for the best article published in the field of Church History and Doctrine in 1999, for the article “Parting the Veil: The Visions of Joseph Smith,” *BYU Studies* 38, no. 1 (1999): 22–69, presented by the Department of Religious Education, March 11, 2000.
- 1999 T. Edgar Lyon Award of Excellence for the article “Parting the Veil: The Visions of Joseph Smith,” *BYU Studies* 38, no. 1 (1999): 22–69, presented by the Mormon History Association, June 30, 1999. Note: The award title was changed in 2002 to the J. Talmage Jones Award of Excellence.
- 1998 William Grover and Winnifred Foster Reese History Award for the most scholarly dissertation in the field of Mormon History, 1996–97, presented by the Mormon History Association, May 23, 1998.
- 1989 William J. Snow Award for the outstanding graduate paper in Mormon or Western History in 1989, for the paper “A Study of Polygamy in a Mormon Settlement Community: Manti, Utah, 1850–1870,” presented by the Brigham Young University Department of History, March 29, 1990.

## **SPECIAL PROJECTS – OTHER ACTIVITIES**

- 2019–2021 Committee member, Smith Family Topsfield Monument, Pine Grove Cemetery, Topsfield, Massachusetts.
- 2011 Coordinated the dedication activities for the Richmond vacant log house marker where Joseph Smith rebuked the guards, the Three Witnesses Monument commemoration, and the Eight Witnesses Monument dedication, November 19, 2011.
- 2010–present BYU Speaker’s Bureau.

- 2006 Coordinated the placement and dedication of the historical monument (including composing the text for the monument) honoring Elizabeth Ann Whitmer Cowdery, Maria Louise Cowdery Johnson, and Charles Johnson, Southwest City, Missouri, October 2006.
- Coordinated the placement for the Green Plains, Illinois, historical marker (including the text for the marker), September 2006.
- 2005 Coordinated the placement of the historical markers (including composing the texts for the two markers) honoring five generations of Joseph Smith's progenitors (Joseph Smith Sr., Asael, Samuel I, Samuel II, and Robert), October 15, 2005, Topsfield, MA.
- 2001 Instructor, SeaTrek, August 7-24, 2001.
- 1998-present BYU Education Week lecturer.
- 1998 Organizer, Hawn's Mill Memorial Commemoration, Hawn's Mill, Caldwell County, Missouri, October 30, 1998.
- 1997-present LDS historical sites tour guide.
- 1997-2003 Know Your Religion lecturer.

### DEPARTMENT/UNIVERSITY APPOINTMENTS AND COMMITTEES

- 2021-present BYU University Rank and Status Committee.
- 2019-2020 Chair, 2020 Church History Conference, "Visions and Visionaries: Joseph Smith in Comparative Context," sponsored by the BYU Department of Church History and Doctrine, BYU Religious Studies Center, and the LDS Church Historical Department, March 12-13, 2020, Provo and Salt Lake City, UT.
- 2019 Committee member, Regional Studies Washington, DC/Philadelphia, PA, June 13-23, 2019.
- 2016-2021 Chair, Department of Church History and Doctrine, BYU.
- 2015-2016 Department Council, Church History and Doctrine, BYU.



- 2014–2016 Chair, BYU Department of Church History and Doctrine Foundations of the Restoration Curriculum Committee.
- 2013–2016 Brigham Young University Faculty Advisory Council (FAC) – Academic Environment committee (2013–2014), and University Athletic Advisory Committee (2014–2016).
- 2013–2016 Committee member, Church History and Doctrine Rank and Status Committee.
- 2013 Committee member, Harold B. Lee Library Mormon History and Doctrine Librarian Search Committee.
- 2012–2013 Committee member, Religious Education Dean Search Committee.
- 2011–2013 Faculty mentor to J.B. Haws.
- 2010–2013 Committee member, BYU Religious Education Rank and Status committee.
- 2010–2016 Co-director of Research, Religious Studies Center.
- 2007 Chair, “Wilford Woodruff Symposium,” Yale University, sponsored the BYU Department of Church History and Doctrine, BYU Religious Studies Center, Yale Divinity School, and the Mormon Historic Sites Foundation, November 9–10, 2007, New Haven, CT.
- Co-chair, “Wilford Woodruff Symposium,” Brigham Young University, sponsored by the BYU Department of Church History and Doctrine, BYU Religious Studies Center and the Mormon Historic Sites Foundation, October 12, 2007, Provo, UT.
- 2006 Chair, “Oliver Cowdery Symposium,” Brigham Young University, sponsored by the BYU Department of Church History and Doctrine, BYU Religious Studies Center, and the Mormon Historic Sites Foundation, November 10, 2006, Provo, UT.
- 1999–2010 Committee member, BYU Department of Church History and Doctrine Faculty Search Committee.

- 1997–2001      BYU Department of Church History and Doctrine ORCA Scholarship mentor.
- 1997–1999      BYU Religious Education Friday Faculty Forum committee.
- 1997–1999      Doctrine and Covenants mentor to part-time, adjunct, and transfer faculty.

### **GRADUATE STUDENT COMMITTEE MEMBER/CHAIR**

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- 2020 (1)      Craig Williams, MRE Religious Education, Brigham Young University (chair)
- 2017 (1)      Nicholas A. Davis, MRE Religious Education, Brigham Young University (chair)
- 2012 (1)      David Wetzel, MRE, Religious Education, Brigham Young University (chair)
- 2011 (1)      Robert John Walker, MRE, Religious Education, Brigham Young University (committee member)
- 2006 (1)      Matthew Crawford, MRE, Religious Education, Brigham Young University (committee member)
- 2002 (1)      Kendrick B. Ashcroft, MRE, Religious Education, Brigham Young University (committee member)
- 2001 (2)      Janiece Lyn Johnson, MA History, Brigham Young University (committee member)
- Corwin L. Nimer, MA History, Sonoma State University (committee member)