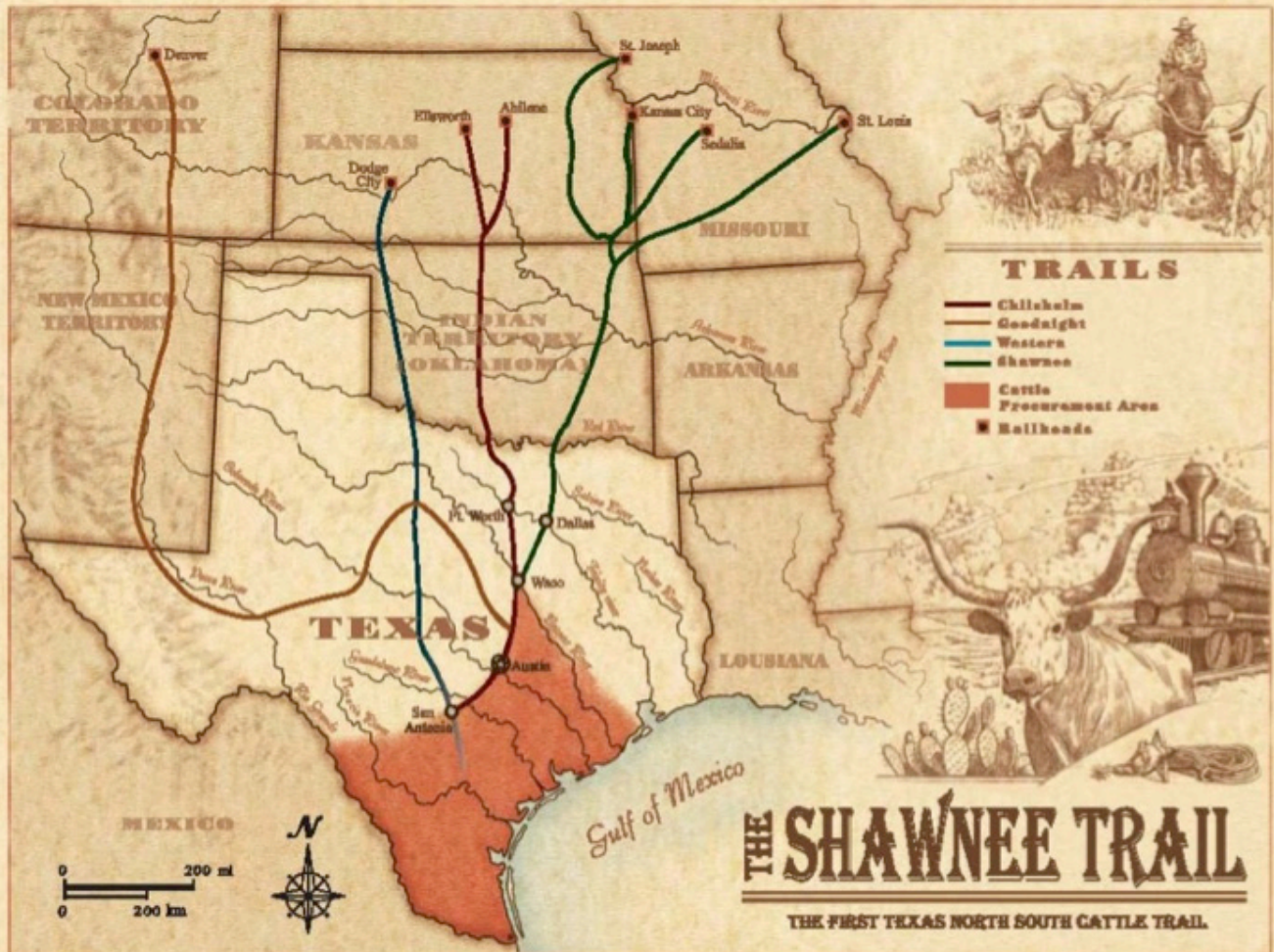


3RD ANNUAL
SHAWNEE TRAIL REGIONAL CONFERENCE
ON AMERICAN POLITICS AND CONSTITUTIONALISM



Covenors:

Justin Dyer, University of Missouri and Curt Nichols, Baylor University

Presented by:



Kinder Institute on Constitutional Democracy
University of Missouri

8:30 – 9:45 a.m. **AMERICAN CONSTITUTIONALISM AND POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT**

Discussants: **Bat Sparrow**, University of Texas at Austin
Dave Bridge, Baylor University

“Legislative Elections in the Early Republic: 1789-1820,”
Jay Dow, University of Missouri

“How music helped convince a young man to vote for the first time in 1850,”
Billy Coleman, University of Missouri

“Fragmented Citizenship in a Fragmented State: Ideas, Institutions, and the Failure of Reconstruction,”
Allen Sumrall, University of Texas at Austin

“Complication #2: The Double Troubled Presidency of Grover Cleveland, 1893-97,”
Curt Nichols, Baylor University

“The Eleventh Bill of Rights: Proposal, Ratification, and Application of the Twenty-seventh Amendment,”
James Endersby and **Marvin Overby**, University of Missouri

10:00 – 11:00 a.m. **THE MELTING POT OR THE WALL? INTERDISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVES ON AMERICAN NATIONAL IDENTITY**

Discussant: **Adam Seagrave**, University of Missouri

“A Mongrel Nation Needs a Founding Moment: Observations on the Origins, Content, and Consequences of America’s Conceptual Identity,”
Alan Gibson, California State University, Chico

“A Nation with the Soul of a Church: Principles and Practice in American National Identity,”
Sarah Houser, American University

“The Democratic Lineage of Trump’s Ethnic Nationalism,”
Benjamin Park, Sam Houston State University.

“American Anthem: An Examination of the Significance of the National Anthem for African American Identity and Nationhood,”
Stephanie Shonekan, University of Missouri

11:45 – 12:45 p.m. **AMERICAN CONSTITUTIONALISM AND PUBLIC LAW**

Discussant: **Kevin Pybas**, Missouri State University
Kevin Stuart, Austin Institute for Study of Family and Culture

“Blackstone, Jefferson, and the Improvement and Perfection of the Common Law,”
Carli Conklin, University of Missouri

"Informal Judicial Rules and American Constitutionalism,"
Roger Abshire, University of Houston

The Judges' Bill, Discretionary Jurisdiction, and the Rights Revolution,"
Matt Brogdon, University of Texas at San Antonio

"Turgot and Adams on Modern Constitutionalism,"
Tim Burns, Baylor University

1:00 – 2:15 p.m.

AMERICAN POLITICAL THOUGHT

Discussant: **Jeremy Bailey**, University of Houston

"Political Science and American Political Thought,"
Justin Dyer, University of Missouri

"Horizontal Rights: A Republican Vein in Liberal Constitutionalism,"
Christina Bambrick, University of Texas at Austin

"Spiritual Freedom and American Liberalism,"
Steven Pittz, University of Colorado at Colorado Springs

"Reading Francis Fukuyama in the Wake of 9/11: the End of History
vs. Islamist Fundamentalism,"
Georgi Areshidze, Claremont McKenna College

"Natural Law and the Pamphlet Debates,"
Kody Cooper, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga

2:30 – 3:45 p.m.

THE AMERICAN FOUNDING

Discussant: **Connor Ewing**, University of Virginia
Alan Gibson, California State University, Chico

"American Nature: From Settlement to the Revolution,"
Adam Seagrave, University of Missouri

Refiguring the Face of Democracy: Sight and Voice in American Separation
of Powers,"
Thomas Bell, University of Texas

"George Mason and the Problem of Executive Power,"
Jordan Cash, Baylor University

"The Idea of Presidential Representation in the 1780's"
Jeremy Bailey, University of Houston

"Madison and the Disunity of Americans during the War of 1812,"
Armin Mattes and **Nick Drummond**, University of Missouri