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Associate Professor of Theology, Ave Maria University

PH.D., University of Iowa, 2004, Interdisciplinary Studies: Religion, Classics and Philosophy

M.Div., Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, 1989

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

Born: 1964

### **Education**

1982-84 Iowa State University

1984-87 Moody Bible Institute, BA, Bible/Theology (1987)

1987-89 Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Master of Divinity, *magna cum laude* (1989)

1999-2004 University of Iowa, Ph.D. (2004)

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## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Books**

- *Erasmus's Life of Origen: A New Annotated Translation of the Prefaces to Erasmus of Rotterdam's Edition of Origen's Writings (1536)*. Translated with commentary by Thomas P. Scheck. Foreword by Richard L. DeMolen. Washington, D.C.: The Catholic University of America Press, 2016.
- *Origen and the History of Justification: The Legacy of Origen's Commentary on Romans*. Notre Dame, Indiana: The University of Notre Dame Press, 2008. Paperback edition, 2016.

### **Translations**

- Jerome. *Commentaries on the Twelve Prophets*, volume 2 [Zechariah, Malachi, Hosea, Joel, Amos]. Edited by Thomas P. Scheck. Ancient Christian Texts. Downers Grove: Intervarsity Press, 2017.
- *St. Jerome: Commentary on Ezekiel*. Translated by Thomas P. Scheck. Ancient Christian Writers No. 71. New York: The Newman Press, 2017.
- Jerome. *Commentaries on the Twelve Prophets*, volume 1 [Nahum, Micah, Zephaniah, Haggai, Habakkuk, Jonah, Obadiah]. Edited by Thomas P. Scheck. Ancient Christian Texts. Downers Grove: Intervarsity Press, 2016.
- *St. Jerome: Commentary on Isaiah; Origen: Homilies 1-9 on Isaiah*. Translated by Thomas P. Scheck. Ancient Christian Writers No. 68. New York: The Newman Press, 2015.
- *St. Jerome's Commentaries on Galatians, Titus and Philemon*. Translated by Thomas P. Scheck. Notre Dame, IN.: University of Notre Dame Press, 2010.
- St. Pamphilus: *Apology for Origen*. Rufinus: *On the Falsification of the Books of Origen*. Translated by Thomas P. Scheck. The Fathers of the Church 120. Washington, D.C.: Catholic University of America Press, 2010.
- Origen. *Homilies 1-14 on Ezekiel*. Translated by Thomas P. Scheck. Ancient Christian Writers. No. 62. New York: The Newman Press, 2010.
- Origen. *Homilies on Numbers*. Translated by Thomas P. Scheck. Ancient Christian Texts.

Downers Grove: Intervarsity Press, 2009.

- St. Jerome. *Commentary on Matthew*. Translated by Thomas P. Scheck. The Fathers of the Church 117. Washington, D.C.: The Catholic University of America Press, 2008.
- Origen. *Commentary on the Epistle to the Romans, Books 6-10*. Translated by Thomas P. Scheck. The Fathers of the Church 104. Washington, D.C.: The Catholic University of America Press, 2002.
- Origen. *Commentary on the Epistle to the Romans, Books 1-5*. Translated by Thomas P. Scheck. The Fathers of the Church 103. Washington D.C.: The Catholic University of America Press, 2001.

### Articles

- “Origen’s Theology of Salvation.” Pp. ?? in: *Christian Theologies of Salvation: A Comparative Introduction*. Edited by Justin S. Holcomb. New York: New York University Press, 2017.
- “Law: In the Patristic Era.” In: *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*, vol. 15. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2017.
- “Justification: Greek and Latin Patristics.” In: *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*, vol. 14 Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2017.
- “Origen.” Ch. 47 (pp. 943-58) in: *The Early Christian World*. 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. Edited by Philip F. Esler. New York: Routledge/Taylor & Francis, 2017.
- “Jerome. Christianity. Patristics and Orthodox Churches.” In: *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*, vol. 13. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2016.
- “Gospel Prologues.” In: *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*, vol. 10. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2014.
- “Bishop John Fisher’s Response to Martin Luther.” *Franciscan Studies* 71 (2013) 463-509.
- “Origen’s Interpretation of Romans.” In: *A Companion to St. Paul in the Middle Ages*. Edited by Steven R. Cartwright. Leiden: Brill, 2013. 15-49.
- “Pelagius’s Interpretation of Romans.” In: *A Companion to St. Paul in the Middle Ages*. Edited by Steven R. Cartwright. Leiden: Brill, 2013. 79-113.
- “*Humanitas* in Cicero’s Moral Philosophy and its Christian Reception.” *Ave Maria Law Review* 10.2 (2012) 405- 415.
- “Erasmus’s *Edition of Origen*.” In: *Tradition and the Rule of Faith: Festschrift for Joseph T. Lienhard*. Eds. R. Rombs and E. Hwang. Washington, D.C.: Catholic University of America Press, 2010. 308-336.
- “The Polemics of John Heigham and Richard Montagu and the Rise of English Arminianism.” *Recusant History* (May 2008) 12-27.
- “Walter Bauer’s *Rechtgläubigkeit und Ketzerei im ältesten Christentum*.” Reviewed by Walther Völker. Introduced, translated and annotated by Thomas P. Scheck. *Journal of Early Christian Studies* 14.4 (2006) 399-405.
- “William of St. Thierry’s Reception of Origen’s Exegesis of Romans.” *Adamantius* 10 (2004) 238-258.
- “Law.” In: *The Westminster Handbook to Origen*. John A. McGuckin, ed.. (Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2004) 138-40.
- “Justification by Faith Alone in Origen’s *Commentary on Romans* and its Reception During the Reformation Era.” In: *Origeniana Octava: Origen and the Alexandrian Tradition*. Papers of the 8<sup>th</sup> International Origen Congress, Pisa, 27-31 August 2001, 2 vols., ed. L. Perrone (Louvain: Peeters, 2003), Vol. 2, 1277-1288.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Academic Appointments

- 2004-05 Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Notre Dame
- 2006-08 Assistant Professor in Pastoral Theology, Ave Maria University
- 2008-13 Assistant Professor of Classics and Theology, Ave Maria University
- 2013 Promoted to Associate Professor of Theology and Classics, Ave Maria University
- 2014 Appointment changed to Associate Professor of Theology, Adjunct Professor of Classics, Ave Maria University

#### **Fellowships, Post-PhD Teaching Experience, Awards**

- 2003-2004 Seashore Dissertation Year Fellowship. The University of Iowa
- 2004 Appointed Senior Fellow of The St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology
- 2004-2005 Adjunct Assistant Professor, The University of Notre Dame, Classics & Theology Departments
- 2004-2006 Post-Doctoral Research Associate, The Jacques Maritain Center, The University of Notre Dame
- 2005-2006 Instructor in Latin and German, Trinity (High) School at Greenlawn, South Bend, Indiana
- 2006-2008 Visiting Scholar, University of Notre Dame
- 2015 Appointed to the Advisory Board, Ancient Christian Writers, Paulist/Newman Press

#### **Courses Taught (post Ph.D.)**

##### **Ave Maria University**

- Theo 410/501: Advanced Scripture: Old Testament. Fall 2017
- Theo 611: Patristic Exegesis of Isaiah. Fall 2016
- Theo 411/502: Advanced Scripture: New Testament, Spring 2016, Spring 2017
- Theo 205: Sacred Doctrine, Spring 2015, Fall 2016, Spring 2017
- Theo 250: Foundations of Catechesis, Spring 2014-17
- Theo 595/695(630): Patristic Exegesis of St. Paul, Fall 2013, Fall 2015
- Latin 415: Directed Readings Special Topics: Jerome's Commentary on Ezekiel, Spring 2013
- Theo 415/595: Protestant Reformation, Catholic Response, Spring 2013, Fall 2017
- German 101: Elementary German. Fall 2012, Fall 2015, Fall 2016
- German 102: Intermediate German. Spring 2016, Spring 2017
- Latin 304: Latin Church Fathers. Fall 2012
- Theo 695/Latin 415: Directed Readings Special Topics: Jerome's Commentary on Isaiah. Fall 2011
- Latin 415/Theo 595: Patristic Exegesis: Origen & St. Jerome. Spring 2011
- Theo 105/105H: Sacred Scripture (Honors). 2010-present
- Theo 525: Christ and Salvation. Fall 2009
- Theo 697: Directed Readings Special Topics: Origen. Fall 2008
- Elementary & Intermediate Latin 101/102. 2008-16; Elementary and Intensive Latin 103/104, Summer 2009-13
- New Testament II: Luke-Acts. IPT (Institute for Pastoral Theology) Program. Spring 2008, Spring 2009
- Old Testament I: Introduction to the Old Testament. IPT Program. Fall 2007
- New Testament I: Introduction to the New Testament. IPT Program. Spring 2007, Spring 2008, Spring 2011
- New Testament II: The Epistles of Saint Paul. IPT Program. Spring 2007, Spring 2008, Spring

2011

- Old Testament II: Literature of Hellenistic Judaism. IPT Program. Fall 2006, Fall 2007

### **Pre-Ave Maria**

- Introduction to Latin. International Catholic University (Distance Education Course on DVD), 2006
- Beginning Latin, Trinity School, South Bend, 2005-06
- Beginning German. Trinity School, South Bend, 2005-06
- Intermediate Latin, University of Notre Dame, Summer 2005
- Beginning Greek, University of Notre Dame, Fall 2004
- Foundations of Theology. University of Notre Dame, Fall 2004

### **M.A. Theses Directed (Ave Maria University)**

- Manuel Cardenas Riviera, "The Contemporary Catholic Church and the Exegesis of Romans 9: A Comparison of St. Thomas Aquinas and St. John Chrysostom" 2016.
- Anthony Cazares, "A Translation of St. Jerome's *Commentary on Micah*." 2013. This translation has been published with my collaboration by Intersivarsity Press (Ancient Christian Texts, 2016).
- Sr. Albert Marie Surmanski, OP, "A Translation of St. Jerome's *Commentary on Nahum*." 2011. This translation has been published with my collaboration by Intersivarsity Press (Ancient Christian Texts, 2016).
- Alex Wolf, "Trends in Modern Catholic Biblical Exegesis: A Comparison of the Study Notes in the *Jerusalem Bible* (1966) and the *New Jerusalem Bible* (1983)." 2010. This thesis has been published as article with the same title: *Angelicum* 89 (2012) 7-47.
- Fr. Hyacinth Jemigbola, "Origen's Influence on Erasmus' *Enchiridion*." 2010.

### **Conference Papers and Public Presentations**

- "Origen, Teacher of Saints." "Scholars Corner" lecture. Friday January 20, 2017. Ave Maria University.
- "Plagiarism of Origen as Supreme Praise: Jerome's Preface to Book 2 of his Commentary on Micah." North American Patristics Society. Chicago, May 2016.
- I was interviewed on *The Drew Mariani Show* on Relevant Radio, with Leo Brown guest hosting, Thursday, July 31, 2014 around 4:10pm Eastern for about 20 minutes.
- I was interviewed by Dr. Jonathon Armstrong for "God Talks." An audio of the interview is posted online (Dec. 9, 2013) at the website: "Aqueduct Project." <http://aqueductproject.org/>.
- "Jerome's Doctrine of Grace Compared with Augustine's." North American Patristics Society, May 2013, Chicago.
- "Introduction to Jerome's Commentary on Isaiah." North American Patristics Society, May 2012, Chicago.
- "Cardinal Ratzinger's Reflections on the Importance of Patristic Exegesis, with a Test Case from St. Jerome (Isaiah 7:14)." Reading God's Word Conference: Ratzinger's Erasmus Lecture a Generation Later. February 10-11, 2012. Ave Maria University.
- "*Humanitas* in Cicero's Moral Philosophy and its Christian Reception." A Conference on the Foundations of Human Rights: Catholic Contributions. Co-sponsored by Ave Maria School of Law, Ave Maria University and Sacred Heart Major Seminary. Ave Maria, Florida. 3-4 March 2011.
- "St. Jerome on Predestination, Free Will, and Divine Foreknowledge." North American Patristics Society, May 2010, Chicago.
- "St. Jerome's Interpretation of Paul's Conflict with Peter at Antioch (Gal 2:11-14) and Augustine's Response." North American Patristics Society, May 2009, Chicago.

- “Origen’s Interpretation of Romans.” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting, May 22, 2008, Chicago, Illinois.
- “Introduction to St. Paul,” and “St. Paul’s Knowledge of the Gospel Tradition.” Two evening talks at: St. Ann’s Catholic Church, Augusta, Michigan. May 14 & June 13, 2008.
- “Origen’s Interpretation of Romans.” North American Patristics Society Meeting, May 2008. Chicago.
- “Pamphilus of Caesarea’s Apology for Origen (309): Its Purpose and Aims.” North American Patristics Society Meeting. May 25, 2006. Chicago.
- “The Evidence for Augustine’s Use of the Origen-Rufinus *Commentary on the Epistle to the Romans*.” North American Patristics Society Meeting. June 4, 2005. Chicago.
- “Pelagius’s Use of the Origen-Rufinus *Commentary on Romans*.” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting. May 29, 2004. Loyola University of Chicago.
- “William of St. Thierry’s Reception of Origen’s Exegesis of Romans.” Congress on Medieval Studies. May 7, 2004. Kalamazoo, Michigan.
- “The Authority of Augustine in Erasmus’s Catholic Apologetics, or McSorley: Right or Wrong?” Sixteenth Century Studies Conference. October 31, 2003. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- “Phillip Melancthon’s Reception of Origen’s Exegesis of Romans.” American Society of Church History meeting, January 3, 2003. Chicago.
- “The First Printed Editions of Origen’s Commentary on Romans: Salodanus (Venice, 1506), Merlin (Paris, 1512), and Erasmus (Basel, 1536).” North American Patristic Society Annual Meeting, May 23-25, 2002, Loyola University, Chicago.
- “The Authority of Augustine in Erasmus’s Catholic Apologetics.” American Catholic Historical Association, Spring Meeting, March 15-16, 2002. University of Portland, Portland, Oregon.
- “The Importance of the Delarue Edition of Origen (1733/59).” South Central Society for 18<sup>th</sup> - Century Studies, 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, February 21-23, 2002, South Padre Island, Texas.
- “Justification by Faith Alone in Origen’s Commentary on Romans and its Reception During the Reformation Era.” Colloquium Origenianum Octavum: Origen and the Alexandrian Tradition, August 27-31, 2001, Pisa, Italy.
- “Philo, Paul, and Origen on the ‘Mercy Seat’ (Ex 25.17; Rom 3.25).” North American Patristic Society Annual Meeting, May 24-26, 2001, Loyola University, Chicago, Illinois.

### **Book Reviews, Peer Review of Articles, et al**

- Wrote a book review of Ross Dealy, *The Stoic Origins of Erasmus’ Philosophy of Christ*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2017. For: *Moreana* 2017.
- Evaluated article submission for *International Journal of Systematic Theology*: “The Pedagogue and the High Priest: A Systematic Presentation of Origen’s Soteriology.” May 2016.
- Wrote Review Essay of A. J. Brown (ed.), *Opera Omnia Desiderii Erasmi, VI-4 Novum Testamentum ab Erasmo Recognitum, IV Epistolae Apostolicae et Apocalypsis Iohannis* (Leiden: Brill, 2013). *Erasmus Studies* 34.1 (2014), 59-62.
- Evaluated an article submission for *Journal of Theological Studies* entitled: “The Gospel According to Mark in Two Latin Mixed-Text Manuscripts.” June 2014.
- Evaluated an article submission for *Journal of Theological Studies* entitled: “The Biblical Text of Jerome’s Commentary on Galatians.” September 2013.
- Evaluated an article submission for *Harvard Theological Review* entitled, “Origen and Volitional Sin in the Commentary on Romans.” April 2013.
- Wrote extended review of: Joseph Ratzinger/Pope Benedict XVI, *Jesus of Nazareth*. In: *Nova et Vetera* 7.1 (2009) 1-6.

- Wrote extended review of: Henri de Lubac, *History and Spirit: The Understanding of Scripture according to Origen*. In: *Nova et Vetera* (2009) 532-38.
- Evaluated an article submission for *Journal of Early Christian Studies* entitled: "Rufinus of Aquileia and Alexandrian Afterlives: Translation of Origenism." December 2008.
- Wrote review of Mark Reasoner, *Romans in Full Circle: A History of Interpretation* (Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2005). In: *Journal of Early Christian Studies* 14.3 (Fall 2006) 379-381.
- Wrote review of Maureen Beyer Moser, *Teacher of Holiness: The Holy Spirit in Origen's Commentary on the Epistle to the Romans*. In: *Journal of Early Christian Studies* 14.1 (2006) 122-24.
- Wrote review of J. A. McGuckin, ed. *The Westminster Handbook to Origen*. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2004. In: *Adamantius* 11 (2005) 526-529.
- Wrote review of M. Simonetti, ed. *Ancient Christian Commentary on Scripture: Matthew 1-13, Matthew 14-28*. 2 vols. Downers Grove: Intervarsity 2002. In: *Journal of Early Christian Studies* 12.3 (Fall 2004) 380-382.
- Wrote review of *Origen. Homilies on Joshua*, translated by Barbara J. Bruce, edited by Cynthia White (The Fathers of the Church. A New Translation, 105), The Catholic University of America Press, Washington D.C. 2002. In: *Adamantius* 10 (2004) 473-474.
- Wrote review of Elizabeth Van Diver, ed. *Luther's Lives: Two Contemporary Accounts of Martin Luther* (Manchester 2002). In: *Erasmus of Rotterdam Society Yearbook* (2003) 111-118.
- Wrote *In Memoriam* John C. Olin (7 October 1915-6 June 2000). In: *Erasmus of Rotterdam Society Yearbook* 21 (2001) 90-93.
- Wrote review of Abraham Friesen, *Erasmus, the Anabaptists, and the Great Commission* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1998). In: *Erasmus of Rotterdam Society Yearbook* 20 (2000) 82-87.
- Wrote review of Timothy J. Wengert, *Human Freedom, Christian Righteousness: Philip Melancthon's Exegetical Dispute with Erasmus of Rotterdam* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1998). In: *Trinity Journal* 20 (1999) 111-116.
- Wrote review of *The Edition of St. Jerome. The Collected Works of Erasmus*, vol. 61., ed., trans., and annot. by James F. Brady and John C. Olin (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1992). In: *Trinity Journal* 14 (1993) 79-85.

### Works in Progress

- "From Origen to Jerome." Chapter in the forthcoming volume: *Literature and the Bible*. Edited by Ian Christopher Levy and Stephen Prickett.
- "Jerome's Epistle 130 to Demetrias." New translation and Introduction by Thomas P. Scheck, in: *Demetrias*, edited by A. Hwang. Fortress Press. Forthcoming.
- Article: "The Influence of Origen on Erasmus." Chapter in: *The Oxford Handbook of Origen*, edited by Ronald E. Heine, Karen Jo Torjesen. Forthcoming Oxford University Press.
- St. Chromatius of Aquileia, *Sermons and Tractates on Matthew*. In preparation with Paulist (Newman) Press, Ancient Christian Writers.
- New translation: Erasmus of Rotterdam's *Methodus, Ratio Verae Theologiae* (1518).