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### EDUCATION

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<b>Vanderbilt University</b> Ph.D., Political Science	Expected 2023 Nashville, TN
<b>University of Minnesota Law School</b> J.D., <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	May 2016 Minneapolis, MN
<b>University of Minnesota – Twin Cities</b> B.A., Political Science and History, <i>with Distinction</i>	Dec. 2012 Minneapolis, MN
<b>University College Cork</b> Certificate in Irish Politics	May 2012 Cork, Ireland

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Bureaucracy; Public Administration; Separation of Powers; Administrative Law; Immigration Law; and Statutory Interpretation.

### PUBLICATIONS

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Bednar, Nicholas. Forthcoming 2018. “**Justifying Delay: Why Agencies Delay Compliance Dates and How They Do It.**” *Journal of Regulatory Compliance*.

Presented at the 2018 Journal of Regulatory Compliance Symposium, Loyola University Chicago School of Law, Chicago, IL.

Bednar, Nicholas, and Kristin Hickman. 2017. “**Chevron’s Inevitability.**” *George Washington Law Review* 85: 1392-1461.

Presented at the 2016 American Bar Association Administrative Law Conference, Washington, D.C.

Reviewed in Vermeule, Adrian. 2017. “Chevron as a Legal Framework.” *Jotwell*. <https://adlaw.jotwell.com/chevron-as-a-legal-framework>.

Bednar, Nicholas. 2017. “**The Clear-Statement Chevron Canon.**” *DePaul Law Review* 66: 819-872.

Bednar, Nicholas, and Barbara Marchevsky. 2017. “**Deferring to the Rule of Law: A Comparative Look at United States Deference Doctrines.**” *University of Memphis Law Review* 47: 1047-1083.

Contribution to the 2017 University of Memphis Law Review Symposium.

Bednar, Nicholas, and Margaret Penland. 2017. “**Asylum’s Interpretative Impasse: Interpreting ‘Persecution’ and ‘Particular Social Group’ Using International Human Rights Law.**” *Minnesota Journal of International Law* 26: 145-187.

Bednar, Nicholas. 2015. “**Social Group Semantics: The Evidentiary Requirements of ‘Particularity’ and ‘Social Distinction’ in Pro Se Asylum Adjudications.**” *Minnesota Law Review* 100: 355-403.

Awarded the Volume 35/36 Note and Comment Award.

## BLOG POSTS

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Bednar, Nicholas. 2018. “**Coping with Chevron: Justice Gorsuch’s Majority and Justice Breyer’s Dissent in SAS Institute.**” *Yale Journal on Regulation: Notice & Comment*. <http://yalejreg.com/nc/coping-with-chevron-justice-gorsuchs-majority-and-justice-breyers-dissent-in-sas-institute-by-nicholas-r-bednar>.

Bednar, Nicholas. 2017. “**DACA on the Docket.**” *Minnesota Law Review De Novo*. <http://www.minnesotalawreview.org/2017/01/daca-on-the-docket>.

Bednar, Nicholas. 2015. “**Defying Auer Deference: Skidmore as a Solution to Conservative Concerns in Perez v. Mortgage Bankers Association.**” *Minnesota Law Review De Novo*. <http://www.minnesotalawreview.org/2015/06/defying-auer-deference-skidmore-solution-conservative-concerns-perez-v-mortgage-bankers-association>.

## RESEARCH & EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE

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<b>Professor Stephen Meili</b> , University of Minnesota Law School <i>Research Assistant</i> – Immigration Law; Human Rights	Aug. 2015 – May 2016 Minneapolis, MN
<b>Professor Robert Stein</b> , University of Minnesota Law School <i>Research Assistant</i> – Rule of Law; Supreme Court History	Apr. 2015 – Aug. 2016 Minneapolis, MN
<b>Professor Kristin Hickman</b> , University of Minnesota Law School <i>Research Assistant</i> – Administrative Law; Bureaucracy	Aug. 2014 – May 2016 Minneapolis, MN
<b>Minnesota Law Review</b> <i>Lead Articles Editor (Vol. 100); Staff Member (Vol. 99)</i>	Aug. 2014 – May 2016 Minneapolis, MN

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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<b>iLaw Ventures</b> <i>Teaching Assistant (Kristin Hickman) – Administrative Law</i>	May 2016 – July 2016 Online
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## LEGAL AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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<b>Chief Judge John R. Tunheim</b> , U.S. District Court <i>Judicial Law Clerk</i>	Aug. 2017 – Aug. 2018 Minneapolis, MN
<b>Judge Tracy M. Smith</b> , Minnesota Court of Appeals <i>Judicial Law Clerk</i>	Aug. 2016 – Aug. 2017 St. Paul, MN
<b>Myers Thompson P.A.</b> <i>Summer Associate</i>	May 2015 – Aug. 2015 Minneapolis, MN
<b>Immigration &amp; Human Rights Clinic</b> <i>Certified Student Attorney</i>	Sept. 2014 – May 2015 Minneapolis, MN
<b>Advocates for Human Rights</b> <i>Refugee and Immigrant Program Law Clerk</i>	June 2014 – Aug. 2014 Minneapolis, MN
<b>Nicholas Bednar Social Media &amp; Marketing</b> <i>Owner</i>	June 2012 – Aug. 2016 Minneapolis, MN

## HONORS & AWARDS

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<b>Lockhart Award</b> , University of Minnesota Law School For exemplifying excellent scholarship, leadership, and service.	May 2016
<b>Student Service Award</b> , Minnesota Justice Foundation For completion of 432 hours of pro bono service.	May 2016
<b>Order of the Coif</b> , University of Minnesota Law School	May 2016
<b>Book Award: Great Cases</b> , University of Minnesota Law School	Dec. 2016
<b>Human Rights Center Fellowship</b> , Human Rights Center For work at Advocates for Human Rights.	May 2014
<b>Book Award: Constitutional Law</b> , University of Minnesota Law School	Dec. 2013

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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<b>American Political Science Association</b> <i>Member</i>	Since 2017
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**Minnesota Supreme Court Historical Society** Since 2016  
*Member*

Publications Committee  
*Member*

**American Bar Association** Since 2015  
*Member*

Section of Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice  
*Member*

Young Lawyers Division  
*Member*

## **BAR MEMBERSHIPS**

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**United States District Court for the District of Minnesota** Since 2018

**State of Minnesota** Since 2016