

**POTENTIAL REFORMS TO THE NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION
ACT (“NVRA”) AND HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT (“HAVA”)**

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Personal Background

My name is Michael T. Morley. I am the Sheila M. McDevitt Professor of Law at the Florida State University College of Law and Faculty Director of the FSU Election Law Center established by the Florida Legislature. *See* Fla. Stat. § 1004.421. I research and teach in the fields of Election Law, Federal Courts, Remedies, and Constitutional Law. My work focuses on election emergencies, post-election disputes in federal elections, the constitutional right to vote, the equitable powers of the federal courts, and justiciability. I graduated Princeton University’s Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs *magna cum laude* in 2000, and Yale Law School in 2003, where I was a Senior Editor on the *Yale Law Journal* and received the Thurman Arnold Prize for best oralist in the school’s moot court competition.

I clerked for Judge Gerald Bard Tjoflat of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. I have worked at Williams & Connolly LLP and the Critical Motions and Appeals group at Winston & Strawn LLP, both in Washington, D.C. I also served as Special Assistant to the General Counsel of the Army in the Pentagon, where I received the Meritorious Civilian Service Award and Army Staff Lapel Pin. From 2012 through 2014, I was a Climenko Fellow and Lecturer on Law at Harvard Law School. My work has been published in many of the nation’s leading law reviews including the *Virginia Law Review*, *Georgetown Law Journal*, *Northwestern University Law Review*, and *University of Chicago Law Review*. I have been cited by federal and state courts across the nation, including the U.S. Supreme Court. For the past four years, I have served as a member and then vice chair of the Florida Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. It is my pleasure to have the opportunity to testify before this Committee.