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**Ph.D., Philosophy**

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**Publications**

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“A Confusing Comparison.” *Forthcoming.*

“Christian Virtue and the ‘22-Carat Morally Right Act’.” *Journal of Moral Philosophy*. 5 (1).

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“Aquinas and the Pagan Virtues.” *International Philosophical Quarterly*, 51 (3): 339-354.

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“Ethique et vertus morales infuses,” translated by Giovanni Brianti. In *Théologie Morale Fondamentale*, edited by Michael Sherwin and Craig Titus, 122-139. Fribourg: Academic Press Fribourg, 2009.

“Prudence and Acquired Moral Virtue,” *The Thomist*. 69, (4): 535-555.

“An Analogue of Napoleon’s Theorem in the Hyperbolic Plane,” *The Canadian Mathematical Bulletin*, 44 (3): 292-297.

“The Cycle Completable Graphs for the Completely Positive and Doubly Nonnegative Completion Problems,” *Linear Algebra and its Applications*, 313: 141-154 (co-authored with John H. Drew, Charles R. Johnson, and

Steven J. Kilner).

<p><b>Book Reviews</b></p>	<p>Review of Jonathan Sanford, <i>After Virtue</i>. Washington, D.C.: The Catholic University of America Press, 2015)</p> <p>Review of David Decosimo, <i>Ethics as a Work of Charity: Thomas Aquinas and Pagan Virtue</i>, (Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press, 2014), <i>The Thomist</i> (forthcoming)</p> <p>Review of Andrew Pinsent, <i>The Second Person Perspective in Aquinas's Ethics</i>, (Routledge 2011), <i>The Thomist</i> 77, (4)</p>
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