# Alex B. Rainville

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## **Education**

Ph.D.	University of Missouri, Robert J. Trulaske Sr., College of Business Concentration: Strategic Management	Exp. 2026
J.D.	Creighton University School of Law, Cum Laude Concentration: Business Law	2016
MBA	Norwich University Concentration: Management	2010
B.S.	University of Nebraska-Omaha Concentration: Political Science	2007

## **Research Interests**

My research interests lie at the intersection of the institutional environment and organizational strategy. Specifically, I explore the role of government in fostering, developing, and altering value-based market exchanges, as well as how organizations adapt and respond to different types of influences, such as regulation, rhetoric, and spending. Similarly, I also explore how multiple governments, from an international business perspective, create unique pressures on organizations, as well as how cultural, social, and other institutional forces shape the organization itself. My research motivation is to understand how governments, whether one or several, as well as other institutional forces, affect organizations, and theorize on the positive and negative outcomes of such dynamics.

## **Refereed Publications**

Andrus, J., Lee, J., Scoresby, R., Rainville, A., Syed, I., Smith, R., "Taking Charge as a Contextual Cue: How New CEO Regulatory Focus Influences Strategic Change." Journal of Management. Forthcoming.

#### **Research in Progress**

Rainville, A., Han, J., "Name Withheld; Topic: Public Sponsorship and Firm Behavior." Target: Academy of Management Journal. (Manuscript Drafting; Data Analysis).

Rainville, A., Wang, X., Wang, S., "Name Withheld; Topic: Image Washing and Global Legitimacy for Multi-National Corporations" Target: Academy of Management Review. (Manuscript Drafting).

Wang, X., Rainville, A., "Name Withheld; Topic: "Deglobalization and Presidential Rhetoric" Target: Strategic Management Journal. (Manuscript Drafting; Data Analysis).

## Academic Employment

University of Missouri, Research Assistant to Dr. Stephen Downing	1/23 - 5/24
University of Missouri, Research Assistant to Dr. Joel Andrus and Dr. Stephen Downing	8/23 - 12/23
University of Missouri, Teaching Assistant to Dr. Christine McCullough	8/23 - 12/23
University of Missouri, Research Assistant to Dr. Xinran Wang and Dr. Jung-Hoon Han	8/22 - 5/23
University of Missouri, Research Assistant to Dr. James Bort and Dr. Jung-Hoon Han	8/21 - 5/22

## **Courses Taught**

University of Missouri, "Strategic Management" (Mgt	4970) Spring 2024
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## **Presentations and Interviews**

"Multi-National Corporations and Image Washing: Managing Global Legitimacy in Cross-Border Institutionally Complex Environments." October 2023 at the Strategic Management Society Annual Conference.

"The Behavioral Implications of Government Provided Public Sponsorship: Power, Legitimacy, and Firm Misconduct." May 2023 at the University of Missouri College of Business for the Comprehensive Examination.

"Going in Mandate as a Contextual Cue: New CEO Regulatory Focus and Strategic Change." April 2022 at the University of Missouri College of Business for the Qualifying Examination.

"Deglobalization in a Time of Distributed Presidential Rhetoric: The Impact of Social Media Signals on International Venture Capital." March 2022 at the University of Missouri College of Business Brown Bag. "Debt and Capital Structure" interview for the podcast, The Core Experience. April 2020.

"The Defend Trade Secrets Act" interview in MetroQuarterly Omaha. December 2017.

"Annual Franchise Law Update," interview in the Midlands Business Journal Omaha. November 2017.

## **Service**

Selected Panelist for New Ph.D. Student Orientation	
Nebraska State Bar Association Practice and Procedure Committee Member	
Nebraska State Bar Association Executive Committee for the Intellectual Property Section	
Omaha Bar Association Biannual Award Event Planning Committee Member	
American Bar Association Associate Judge of the Awards/Sub-grants Team	
Omaha Bar Association Innovation Committee	
Asian Law Society, Secretary and Vice-President	
Creighton Law Review, General Staff	2014 - 2015

## Fellowships, Honors, and Awards

Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Award	2023
Trulaske College of Business Ph.D. Scholarship	2021 - 2025
University of Missouri Strategic Priority Scholarship	2021 - 2025
Cali Excellence for the Future Award in Negotiation	2015
Phi Delta Phi, International Legal Honor Society	2014 - 2020
Frances M. Ryan Scholarship, Creighton University	2013 - 2016

# **Professional Licenses, Certifications, and Affiliations**

Academy of Management Member	2022 - Current
Strategic Management Society Member	2022 - Current
Licensed to practice law in Nebraska (inactive)	2016 - Current
Licensed in the United States District Court for the District of Nebraska	2016 - 2020
Nebraska State Bar Association	2016 - 2020
Omaha Bar Association	2016 - 2018
American Bar Association	2016 - 2018

# Non-Academic Employment

Vandenack Weaver LLC (f/k/a Parsonage Vandenack Williams LLC)				
June 2020 - October 2020				
September 2019 - June 2020				
May 2014 - November 2017				
November 2017 – September 2019				
Fletcher/CSI - Strategy and Growth Consulting				
June 2011 – May 2012				
January 2010 – June 2011				
United States House of Representatives				
June 2008 – December 2009 May 2007 – June 2008				