

Raphael Joel Sonenshein

Education:

Ph.D., (1984), Political Science. Yale University.

M.A., (1979), Political Science, Yale University

B.A., Public Policy, (1971). Princeton University, Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs.

Academic Positions:

August, 1994 – present: Full Professor of Political Science, California State University, Fullerton. (on professional leave, 1997-99, to work in Charter reform)

Teaching specializations include American government, urban government, campaigns and elections, racial and minority politics, Los Angeles politics and government, California government and politics. Created the following courses: Campaigns and Elections, Politics and the Media, Clashing Viewpoints (with Barbara Stone), Urban Minority Politics, and Politics of Los Angeles. Have received highest possible rank of student evaluations of teaching (5.0) in every semester in full-time Fullerton career. Member of the faculty for the Masters in Public Administration degree, and teach graduate seminar on urban government.

July 1, 2001 – December 31, 2002. Fellow of the John Randolph Haynes and Dora Haynes Foundation.

Selected competitively to represent the Haynes Foundation as its second Fellow in its outreach to scholars who study Southern California. During the 18 month term, had particular responsibility to encourage research on the Foundation's initiative on Governance in the Los Angeles Region. Organized an academic conference on Governing L.A. in September, 2002, held at the University of Southern California.

August, 1989 – August, 1994. Associate Professor of Political Science, California State University, Fullerton. Received early tenure, August, 1991.

September, 1982 – August, 1989. Full time Lecturer in Political Science, California State University, Fullerton.

Visiting and Adjunct Professorships

Summer Scholar, UCLA, Institute for Social Science Research
Visiting Scholar, USC Center for Multiethnic and Transnational Studies, 1994
Adjunct Professor, UCLA Departments of Political Science and Communications
Studies, various dates

Honors and Awards:

One of four CSU professors statewide winners of the annual Wang Family
Excellence Award, \$20,000, for the year 2005.

Regular column, "The Jewish Vote", in Jewish Journal of Los Angeles, finalist
named by the L.A. Press Club for the award in "Editorial", 2005.

Distinguished Faculty Member, 2003, School of Humanities and Social Sciences,
California State University, Fullerton

Selected as the 2001-02 Fellow of the John Randolph Haynes and Dora Haynes
Foundation.

Associated Students, CSUF, Educator of the Year, 2001-02

Winner of the 1994 Ralph J. Bunche Award, given by the American Political
Science Association for the best book of the year in political science on the
subject of ethnic and cultural pluralism. Honored at annual meeting of the
American Political Science Association.

Outstanding Teacher, CSUF School of Humanities and Social Sciences, 1996.

Finalist, 1996-97 J. Paul Getty Scholars Program.

Meritorious Performance and Professional Promise Awards, CSUF, 1987, 1990

Three-Step Merit Increase, CSUF, 1997.

John Brown Mason Award, for outstanding research over a three-year period,
Department of Political Science, CSUF, 1989.

Woodrow Wilson School Scholar, Princeton University, 1970-71.

Professional Positions

Current. Principal consultant to Culver City Charter Reform Commission; City of Glendale Task Force on Charter Reform; City of Riverside Task Force on Neighborhood Governance.

October, 1999 – 2002. Staff Consultant, City of Pasadena Charter Reform Task Force on School District Governance.

Selected by an 11 member citizens' Task Force to organize and implement a research program on the governance of the Pasadena Unified School District. Responsibilities included producing and presenting research reports at weekly Task Force meetings, maintaining contacts with community groups and leaders, and producing a final report for placement on the November, 2000 election ballot. The report passed with 75% of the vote. In 2002, returned to assist the reconvened Task Force on an evaluation of the District's success in meeting the report's objectives.

March, 1997 – May, 1999: Executive Director, City of Los Angeles (Appointed) Charter Reform Commission.

Selected in a national search by a 21 member citizens' commission established by the Los Angeles City Council to modernize the City Charter. Complete authority to construct an organization to help the Commission develop a new Charter, and to hire and direct staff. Sought and obtained City funding of over \$2.5 million to administer the organization. Provided research and other support for commission meetings, supervised drafting of a wide array of documents and a major public outreach program, and interacted closely with elected and appointed officials of the City government. The new Charter passed with 60% of the vote in the June 8, 1999 municipal election, marking the first comprehensive revision of the L.A. Charter in 75 years.

September, 1976 – January, 1980. Self-employed as a grantsperson, providing assistance to nonprofit agencies and local governments. Specialized in federal grants and contracts.

September, 1974 – September, 1976. Held various positions in Los Angeles city government and politics. Intern in office of Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley; press secretary and speechwriter in state legislative campaigns, including Maxine Waters's first electoral victory in 1976 for state assembly. Served as grantsperson for Los Angeles City Councilman David Cunningham, and obtained \$495,000 federal grant to renovate two unused fire stations for use as community centers. They are now the William Grant Still Arts Center (on West View) and the David Cunningham Senior Center (on Washington Boulevard).

Invited Named Lectures

George A.V. Dunning lecturer, November 2, 2003. Annual lecture sponsored by the Los Angeles Historical Society, at the Biltmore Hotel, "Democracy in Los Angeles".

John Randolph Haynes and Dora Haynes Lecturer, the Huntington Museum, 2001. "Democracy in Los Angeles."

Byran Jackson Memorial Lecturer, CSU Los Angeles, January 1996, on racial politics in Los Angeles.

Inaugural Lecturer, Richard and Barbara Rosenberg Lecture Series, Lehrhaus Judaica, San Francisco, October 18, 2001, Congregation Emanu-el, "Is There Still a Jewish Vote?"

Grants and Contracts:

\$33,000 grant from the Russell Sage Foundation (with Mark Drayse) to undertake a study of immigrant electoral coalitions in the 2005 Los Angeles mayoral election.

Member of the research team for a University of California, Irvine project that won a large grant from the Russell Sage Foundation to study incorporation of second-generation immigrants in Los Angeles. Specific task is to collaborate on comparison of immigrant participation in mayoral elections in Los Angeles and New York City. Ongoing.

\$45,000 grant from the John Randolph Haynes and Dora Haynes Foundation to the League of Women Voters Los Angeles to support writing of book Los Angeles: Structure of a City Government (2003).

\$83,031 grant from the John Randolph Haynes and Dora Haynes Foundation to study the process of Charter reform in Los Angeles (1999-2000).

\$10,000 contract from the State of California Faculty Fellows Program to prepare a study of the prospects for County charter reform in California (2000-01).

\$10,000 contract from the State of California Faculty Fellows Program to prepare a report on the relationship between the Jewish community of Los Angeles and other minority communities (1999-2000).

\$52,386 grant from the John Randolph Haynes and Dora Haynes Foundation to study the 1993 Los Angeles mayoral election (1993).

\$24,390 contract from the Office of Substance Abuse Prevention, United States Department of Health and Human Services, to study the controversy over liquor stores in South Central Los Angeles (1993).

\$45,529 grant from the John Randolph Haynes and Dora Haynes Foundation to complete the research for a book on racial politics in Los Angeles (1988).

Research and Writing:

Books:

Politics in Black and White: Race and Power in Los Angeles (Princeton University Press, 1993). Published in paperback in 1994. Winner of the 1994 Ralph J. Bunche Award from the American Political Science Association as the best political science book of the year in racial and cultural pluralism.

Rufus Browning, "It is a landmark in our understanding of the possibilities for biracial and multiracial coalitions."

David Mayhew: "unquestionably one of political science's most interesting and prominent works on urban or racial politics during the last decade."

The City At Stake: Secession, Reform, and the Battle for Los Angeles. 2004. Princeton University Press.

Michael Jones-Correa: "Sonenshein's analysis of behind-the-scenes politicking is virtually unmatched in the urban politics literature."

Los Angeles: Structure of a City Government. (2005 expected publication). For the League of Women Voters Los Angeles.

Planned book project: co-authored volume with Mark Drayse on immigrants and political coalitions in Los Angeles.

Refereed Journal Articles:

Raphael J. Sonenshein and Susan H. Pinkus. Latino Political Incorporation Reaches the Urban Summit: How Antonio Villaraigosa Won the 2005 Los Angeles Mayor's Race. 2005. PS (October, forthcoming).

Raphael J. Sonenshein and Susan H. Pinkus. The Dynamics of Latino Incorporation: the 2001 Los Angeles Mayoral Election As Seen in *Los Angeles Times* Exit Polls. 2002. PS, March: 67-74.

Raphael J. Sonenshein and Nicholas Valentino. The Distinctiveness of Jewish Voting: A Thing of the Past? 2000. Urban Affairs Review, 95 (Jan): 358-89.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. The Battle Over Liquor Stores in South Central Los Angeles: The Management of an Interminority Conflict. 1996. Urban Affairs Review, 31 (July): 710-737.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. After the Civil Unrest: What About Politics? 1994. Contention, Vol 3, No. 3, Spring, 23-27.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Can Black Candidates Win Statewide Elections? 1990. Political Science Quarterly, 105 (Summer): 219-241.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. The Dynamics of Biracial Coalitions: Crossover Politics in Los Angeles. 1989. Western Political Quarterly, 42 (June): 333-353.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Biracial Coalition Politics in Los Angeles. 1986. PS, 19 (summer): 582-590.

Manuscripts in preparation or review:

Raphael J. Sonenshein and Mark Drayse. Immigrant Political Incorporation and Electoral Coalitions: Space and Time in the 2001 and 2005 Los Angeles Mayoral Primaries. Currently under review.

Raphael J. Sonenshein and Thomas Hogen-Esch. Global cities under the gun: Facing secession in Los Angeles and New York City. Conditional acceptance by Urban Affairs Review.

Original Book Chapters in Edited Volumes:

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Gotham on Our Minds: New York City in the Los Angeles Charter Reform of 1997-1999. 2003. In David Halle, ed., New York and Los Angeles: Politics, Society and Culture, A Comparative View (University of Chicago Press), 291-313.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. When Ideologies Agree and Interest Collide, What's a Leader to Do? The Prospects for Latino-Jewish Coalition in Los Angeles. 2001. In Michael Jones-Correa, ed., Governing American Cities: Inter-Ethnic Coalitions, Competition, and Conflict. New York, NY: Russell Sage Foundation: 210-229.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Paradise or Purgatory? African-Americans in Los Angeles, 1850-1999. 2001. In Lawrence DeGraaf, Kevin Mulroy, and Quintard Taylor, eds. Seeking El Dorado: African-Americans in California, 1769-2000. University of Washington Press: 450-449.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Jewish Participation in California Politics: A Revisit in the 1990's. 1997. In Bruce Cain and Michael Preston, eds., Racial and Ethnic Politics in California, 2nd edition. Berkeley, CA: Institute for Governmental Studies: 109-36.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Post Incorporation Politics in Los Angeles. 1997. In Rufus Browning, Dale Rogers Marshall, and David Tabb, eds., Racial Politics in American Cities, 2nd edition. New York: Longman Press: 41-64.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. The Prospects for Multiracial Coalitions in American Cities. 1997. In Browning, Marshall, and Tabb, eds., Racial Politics in American Cities, 2nd edition: 261-276.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. The Crisis of Progressive Politics: The 1993 Los Angeles Mayoral Election. 1995. In Eui-Young Yu and Edward T. Chang, eds. Multiethnic Coalition Building in Los Angeles. Regina Books: 187-208.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Los Angeles Coalition Politics. 1994. In Mark Baldassare, editor. The Los Angeles Riots. Boulder, CO: Westview Press: 47-72.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Politics in the Ashes: Los Angeles After the Violence. 1992. In Gerry Riposa and Carolyn Dersch, eds., City of Angels. Dubuque, IO: Kendall-Hunt.

Alan Saltzstein and Raphael J. Sonenshein. Los Angeles: Transformation of a Governing Coalition. 1991. In H.V. Savitch and John Clayton Thomas, eds., Big City Politics in Transition. Newbury Park, CA: Sage Publications: 189-201.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Jewish Participation in California Politics. 1991. In Michael Preston and Byran Jackson, eds., Ethnic Politics in California. Berkeley, CA, Institute for Governmental Studies, University of California, Berkeley: 89-116.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Biracial Coalition Politics in Los Angeles. 1990. In Rufus Browning, Dale Rogers Marshall, and David Tabb, eds., Racial Politics in American Cities. New York: Longman Press: 33-48.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Biracial Coalitions in Big Cities: Why They Succeed, Why They Fail. 1990. In Browning et al., Racial Politics in American Cities: 193-211.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Bradley's People: Biracial Coalition Politics in Los Angeles. 1987. In Franklin Jones et al., eds., Readings in American Political Issues. Dubuque, Iowa: Kendall/Hunt.

Alan Saltzstein, Raphael J. Sonenshein, and Irving Ostrow. Federal Aid and the City of Los Angeles: Implementing a More Centralized Local Political System. 1986. In Terry Clark, ed., Research in Urban Policy, Volume 2. Greenwich, CT: JAI Press.

Public Policy Reports:

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Governing Post Secession Los Angeles. 2003. Edmund G. "Pat" Brown Institute, California State University, Los Angeles.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. The Los Angeles Jewish Community: An Examination of Its History of Activism for Human Rights. 2000. Report for the State of California Faculty Fellows Program.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. The Prospects for County Charter Reform in California. 2001. Report for the State of California Faculty Fellows Program.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. "Why Not the Best?" 2000. Report of the City of Pasadena Charter Reform Task Force on School District Governance.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Report of the Reconvened Task Force on School District Governance. 2002.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Numerous reports for the City of Los Angeles Appointed Charter Reform Commission, 1997-99.

Presentations at Academic and Professional Conferences:

Raphael J. Sonenshein and Mark Drayse. Urban Coalitions in an Age of Immigration: A Spatial Analysis of Voting for the Latino Candidate in the 2005 Los Angeles Mayoral Race. Paper to be presented at the 2005 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Raphael J. Sonenshein and Mark Drayse. Immigrant Political Participation and Electoral Coalitions: Lessons from the 2001 and 2005 Los Angeles Primary Elections. Paper presented at the 2005 annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association.

Raphael J. Sonenshein and Thomas Hogen-Esch. Comparing Secession Movements in Staten Island, New York and the San Fernando Valley in Los Angeles. Paper presented at the 2003 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Raphael J. Sonenshein and Mark Drayse. The New Institutionalism Meets the New Diversity: The Votes on Charter Reform and Secession in Los Angeles. Paper presented at the 2003 annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Boroughs for Los Angeles: An Idea Whose Time Has Come? Paper presented at the 2002 Haynes Foundation conference on governing Los Angeles.

Raphael J. Sonenshein and Tanis Salant. When Cities Do and Counties Don't: Charter Reform in Local Government. Paper presented at the 2002 annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Gotham on Our Minds: New York City in the Los Angeles Charter Reform of 1996-97. Paper presented at the 1999 UCLA conference on New York City and Los Angeles sponsored by the Leroy Neiman Center of Politics and Culture.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. When Ideologies Agree and Interests Collide, What's a Leader to Do? The Prospects for Latino-Jewish Coalition in Los Angeles. Paper presented at a invited seminar on urban multiethnic politics at Harvard University.

Raphael J. Sonenshein, H. Eric Schockman, and Richard DeLeon. Urban Conservatism in an Age of Diversity: A Comparative Analysis of the Mayoralties of San Francisco's Frank Jordan and Los Angeles's Richard Riordan. Paper

presented at the 1996 annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association.

Raphael J. Sonenshein and Nicholas Valentino. Minority Politics at the Crossroads: Voting Patterns in the 1993 Los Angeles Mayoral Election. Paper presented at the 1995 annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association.

Raphael J. Sonenshein and Corecia Davis. The Battle over Liquor Stores in South Central Los Angeles. Paper presented at the 1993 annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Is This the End? Biracial Coalition in the 1993 Los Angeles Mayoral Election. Paper presented at the 1993 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. The Crisis of Progressive Politics: The 1993 Los Angeles Mayoral Election. Paper presented at the Conference on Multiracial Coalition Building in Los Angeles, California State University, Los Angeles, 1993.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. The Rodney King Case and Los Angeles Coalition Politics. Paper presented at the 1992 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Black Factions and the Origins of Biracial Coalitions. Paper presented at the 1990 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. The Prospects for Multiracial Coalitions in Post-Incorporation Los Angeles. Paper presented at the 1990 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Continuity and Change in a Biracial Coalition: The 1989 Los Angeles Mayoral Election. Paper presented at the 1990 annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. The Dynamics of Biracial Coalitions: Crossover Politics in Los Angeles. Paper presented at the 1988 annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Can Black Candidates Win Statewide Elections? Paper presented at the 1987 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Shall We Overcome? Biracial Coalition Politics in New York, Los Angeles, and Chicago. Paper presented at the 1986 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Alan Saltzstein and Raphael J. Sonenshein. The Council Ascendant: the Case of Los Angeles. Paper presented at the 1986 annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Bradley's People: Biracial Coalition Politics in Los Angeles. Paper presented at the 1985 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Alan Saltzstein, Raphael J. Sonenshein, and Irving Ostrow. Federal Grants and the City of Los Angeles: Toward a More Centralized Local Political System. Paper presented at the 1984 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Publications for General Audiences:

Raphael J. Sonenshein. When Ideologies Agree and Interests Collide: The Prospects for Latino-Jewish Coalitions in Los Angeles. In Latinos and Jews: Old Luggage, New Itineraries, 2002. American Jewish Committee

Raphael J. Sonenshein. African Americans and Jews: Pioneers in Bridging Diversity. 1999 (June). New Designs for Youth Development.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Making the Rules: Youth Participation and Los Angeles Charter Reform. 1998. New Designs for Youth Development, 14 (summer).

Raphael J. Sonenshein. Entering the World of Politics. 1997. New Designs for Youth Development, 13 (Spring): 4-9.

Raphael J. Sonenshein. The Politics of Diversity: A Friendly Guide Through the Minefield. 1996. Foundation News and Commentary (March/April): 18-21.

Raphael J. Sonenshein and Barbara Stone. Clashing Viewpoints: Teacher Partisanship and Classroom Checks and Balances. 1989. The Political Science Teacher, 2 (Spring).

Professional Activities and Departmental Service:

Member of the Executive Committee for joint Ed.D. degree in education between CSUF and the University of California, Irvine. Developed course proposal, "The Politics of School Reform."

Faculty Advisor, Pi Sigma Alpha, CSUF chapter of the national political science honor society.

Undergraduate academic advisor, political science, 2000-05.

Member of Department Executive Committee, 2000-01

Member of Department Personnel Committee, 2001-04

Member of Search Committee for Political Science, 2001-02

Member of outside panel to evaluate California State University, Long Beach, Department of Political Science, 2005

Chair, Search Committee for position in Public Administration that hired Professor Yuan Ting

Member, Executive Council, Western Political Science Association, 2001-03.

Member, American Political Science Association and Western Political Science Association

Member, Best Book Award Committee for Urban Politics, American Political Science Association, 1996 and 1999

Former Member, Board of Advisors, The Lewis Center for Regional Studies, UCLA.

Section organizer for urban politics for annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, 1994 and 2003

Member of editorial board of Urban Affairs Review, 1994-97

Frequent reviewer of article manuscripts for scholarly journals and book manuscripts for publishers, including Urban Affairs Review, Sociological Perspectives, Ethnic and Racial Studies, Cornell University Press.

Member of committee on Norton Long Career Achievement Award, American Political Science Association, 2004-5

Other Activities:

Speaker on: Jewish political participation; Los Angeles politics; charter reform; effective political strategies for grass roots advocacy organizations. Frequent presenter at meetings of national and local organizations.

Between 1990 and the present, assisted national foundations in helping organizations and social service networks to develop the skills of shaping public opinion. This work involved giving keynote speeches to national conferences, organizing and running workshops for foundations and related nonprofit organizations, and working with national childrens' advocacy organizations. Advisor to the Coalition of Community Foundations for Youth and helped organize a Wingspread conference on building a national movement for the interests of children. In 2002 and 2004, gave major addresses at national meaning of the Child Welfare League of America. Slated to give speech at national children's advocacy meeting in Orlando, October 2005.

Political consultant, the *Los Angeles Times* election-day exit poll, in the 1997, 2001, and 2005 mayoral elections.

Frequent guest on radio and television, and in print, discussing Los Angeles and California politics and government, racial politics and other issues. Many appearances on KCRW's "Which Way LA?", KPCC's Larry Mantle Show and KCET's "Life and Times" as well as a wide range of interviews in local and national newspapers, radio and television. Interviewed on National Public Radio several times, by the *Associated Press*, and appeared on the national program *The News Hour* and on *CNN*. Quoted in *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *Business Week*, *Chicago Tribune*, and *USA Today*.

Have been frequent contributor to the op-ed pages of the *Los Angeles Times*, *La Opinion*, and the *Jewish Journal of Greater Los Angeles*. Monthly column, "The Jewish Vote" in the *Jewish Journal*.

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