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Besides authoring or co-authoring more than 100 law review articles and dozens of op eds in major newspapers, Professor Gerhardt has authored six books, each of which is considered to be the leading treatise on its subject. These books are *Impeachment: What Everyone Needs to Know* (Oxford University Press 2018); *The Federal Impeachment Process: A Constitutional and Historical Analysis* (University of Chicago Press 2019); *The Power of Precedent* (Oxford University Press 2008); and *The Federal Appointments Process: A Constitutional and Historical Analysis* (Duke University Press rev. edition 2000). The Financial Times named his book, *The Forgotten Presidents: Their Forgotten Constitutional Legacy* (Oxford University Press), as one of the best non-fiction books published in 2013. Professor Gerhardt is the co-author of casebooks on constitutional theory and the legislative process.

Professor Gerhardt's extent of service to Congress as an expert and special counsel is unusually extensive. In 1998, he was the only joint witness to testify before the House of Representatives during President Clinton's impeachment; and he was the only legal scholar invited to meet with the entire House behind closed doors to discuss the impeachment process. In 2003 and 2005, he was the only witness testifying in favor of the constitutionality of the filibuster before the Senate Rules and Judiciary Committees. In the House Judiciary Committee's hearings on the impeachment of Thomas Porteous in 2009, he was one of three constitutional experts testifying before the House Judiciary Committee on the question of whether a federal district judge's misconduct prior to his appointment may serve as a basis for his impeachment. Subsequently, the House unanimously impeached and the Senate voted overwhelmingly to convict and remove Porteous on that basis. Gerhardt has participated in confirmation proceedings for seven of the nine justices currently on the Supreme Court, including as Special Counsel to the Senate Judiciary Committee on the Supreme Court nominations of Sonia Sotomayor (2009), Elena Kagan (2010), Neil Gorsuch (2017), and Brett Kavanaugh (2018). In 2015, the Library of Congress selected Professor Gerhardt as the first independent scholar to oversee the updating of the official United States Constitution Annotated.

Professor Gerhardt received his B.A with honors from Yale University, an M.Sc. from the London School of Economics, and a JD with honors from the University of Chicago. Professor Gerhardt grew up in Mobile, Alabama, and is married to Deborah Gerhardt, who teaches intellectual property, copyright, trademark, and art law at UNC Law School; and they are the proud parents of three boys (Ben, Daniel, and Noah) and two dogs (Ari and Lyla).