



Mayor of Providence

Jorge O. Elorza

January 8, 2021

Honorable Members  
Providence City Council  
City Hall

Dear Honorable Members:

Pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 701 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, I am this day re-appointing Mark Santow of 203 Rochambeau Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a member of the Providence School Board for a term to expire on January 31, 2024, and respectfully submit the same for your approval.

Sincerely,

A stylized, handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several loops and a long horizontal stroke.

Jorge O. Elorza  
Mayor

IN CITY COUNCIL

FEB 18 2021

READ  
WHEREUPON IT IS ORDERED THAT  
THE SAME BE RECEIVED AND APPROVED

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sharon Bell".  
CLERK

## CURRICULUM VITAE

**Dr. Mark Santow**

Associate Professor and Chair, History, University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth  
Member, Providence RI School Board, appointed by Mayor, 2015-present  
Academic Director, Providence Clemente Veterans' Initiative, 2018-present.

### Education

University of Pennsylvania Ph.D in American History January 2000.  
University of Massachusetts-Amherst M.A. in American History 1992  
Vanderbilt University B.A. in History and Philosophy 1989  
Areas of specialization: American cities, race, politics and social policy

### Teaching Experience

Associate Professor, University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth, Fall 2008-.  
Assistant Professor, University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth, Spring 2004-Spring 2008.  
Assistant Professor, Gonzaga University 2001-Fall 2003  
Visiting Assistant Professor, Fordham University 2000-01

### Scholarship and Professional Activities

#### Books:

*Social Security and the Middle Class Squeeze*, co-authored with Dr. Leonard Santow.  
Greenwood/Praeger 2005.  
"Saul Alinsky and the Dilemmas of Race in the Post-War City." University of Chicago Press.  
Forthcoming Spring 2022.  
"Castles Made of Sand? Home Ownership and the American Dream." In progress.

#### Articles since 2012:

Review, *Educating Harlem: A Century of Schooling and Resistance in a Black Community*.  
Edited by Ansley T. Erickson and Ernest Morrell. *Journal of American History*, December 2020.  
"Ethical Schools" Podcast, "Rhode Island and Equal Educational Protection," September 2019.  
Review, *Building the Black Metropolis: African American Entrepreneurship in Chicago*.  
Edited by Robert Weems, Jr., and Jason Chambers. *Journal of American History*, December 2018.  
"The Invisible Advantage of Whiteness," *Providence Journal*, September 5<sup>th</sup> 2015.  
"America Unworthy of Black Forgiveness," *Providence Journal*, July 2<sup>nd</sup> 2015.  
Review, *Reinventing Citizenship: Black Los Angeles, Korean Kawasaki, and Community Participation*, by Kazuyo Tsuchiya. *Journal of American History*, March 2015.  
Richard Rothstein and Mark Santow, "The Cost of Living Apart," *The American Prospect*, August 2012.  
Richard Rothstein and Mark Santow, "Report: A Different Kind of Choice: Educational Inequality and the Continuing Significance of Racial Segregation," Economic Policy Institute, August 22<sup>nd</sup> 2012.  
Leonard and Mark Santow, "Flexible Social Security and Medicare Payroll Tax Rates for Different Times: Achieving Multiple Benefits," *Challenge*, January-February 2012, pp.53-68.

#### Grants and awards received since 2012

Innovation in the Humanities Award for 2020, Rhode Island Council for the Humanities, for leadership of the Providence Clemente Veterans' Initiative (PCVI).  
Robert Darst Service Award, Honors Program, UMass Dartmouth, May 2019.  
\$99,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), awarded April 2019, Providence Clemente Veterans' Initiative. Free humanities program for Rhode Island veterans, for college credit.  
\$35,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), awarded April 2018, to start the Clemente Veterans Initiative in Providence RI in January 2019.

\$5000 grant (twice) from the Island Foundation for the New Bedford Clemente Course in the Humanities, Spring 2018 and Fall 2019.

\$50,000 grant from the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts for the New Bedford Clemente Course in the Humanities, November 2014.

UMass-Dartmouth Chancellor's Award Recognizing Excellence in Service (CARES), May 2014.

UMD College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Innovation Grant (\$3000), for 'learning community' experiment on Just War Theory, Vietnam and World War I. Fall 2014.

Joshua B. Stein Works-in-Progress Series at Roger Williams University (\$250), April 2014: "Loosening the 'White Noose': the Dream & Reality of Metropolitan Desegregation, 1965-1975."

Nominee for Brandeis University's Joseph B. and Toby Gittler Prize, for "outstanding and lasting Scholarly contributions to racial, ethnic and/or religious relations," March 2014. Nominated by UMD Provost Mohammad Karim.

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Summer Stipend (\$6000), April 2013. In support of book project *Castles Made of Sand? Homeownership and the American Dream*.

UMass-Dartmouth Chancellor's Colloquium Lecture, "'Ghosts': Vietnam, Afghanistan, and The Lessons of History," April 2013 (\$1000 honorarium).

Balch Fellowship, Historical Society of Pennsylvania and the Library Company. A \$2000 Award for one-month residency, Historical Society of Pennsylvania. 2012-2013. In support of book project *Castles Made of Sand? Homeownership and the American Dream*.

#### **Conference Presentations since 2015**

Paper, "'Listen to the Butterfly': Leonard Cohen, the Blues Sensibility, and Human Finitude," Leonard Cohen: An Interdisciplinary Conference, Maynooth University, Maynooth Ireland, June 2020 (rescheduled for June 2021, due to the pandemic).

Paper, "From Ajax to Afghanistan: The Providence Clemente Veterans' Initiative (PCVI), and the Value of the Humanities for Today's Veterans," Humanities Education And Research Association (HERA) Conference, Chicago IL, March 2020.

Presentation and Workshop, "Creating a Trauma-Sensitive Classroom, From Theory to Practice." Clemente Veterans' Initiative Annual Meeting, Bard College, NYC, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Panel Chair and Paper, "From Ajax to Afghanistan: The Providence Clemente Veterans' Initiative (PCVI), and the Value of the Humanities for Today's Veterans," Veterans: Surviving, Remembering, and Enduring War, Naval War College, September 2019.

Paper, "Castles Made of Sand? Homeownership, 'Mortgage Keynesianism,' and Metropolitan Inequality," Policy History Conference, Tempe AZ, May 2018.

Paper, "Missing Rungs on the Ladder of Opportunity: Homeownership, Land Use Laws, and Educational Inequality in the U.S.," Policy History Conference, Nashville TN, June 2016.

Paper, "Teaching James Baldwin in 'Post-Ferguson' America: Race and the Burden of History," International James Baldwin Conference, American University, Paris, May 28<sup>th</sup> 2016.

Invited Panelist, The James Baldwin Project, November 11<sup>th</sup> 2015. Quinebaug Valley Community College and Eastern Connecticut State University, Danielson CT.

Paper, "Castles Made of Sand? Home Ownership and the New Deal Order." Beyond the New Deal Order, September 2015, UC-Santa Barbara.

#### **Public Service (since 2013)**

Member, Providence School Board, January 2015-present. Policy committee co-chair, 2017-present.

Adviser to Senator Jack Reed (D-RI), Rhode Island oral history project to commemorate the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Library of Congress' "Veterans History Project," Fall 2019.

Signatory (invited), housing scholars letter in support of California Senate Bill 827, a fair housing law aimed at reducing exclusionary zoning and increasing affordable housing. April 2018.

Academic Director, Clemente Course in the Humanities, New Bedford MA, 2005-2019.

Signatory (invited), housing scholars amicus brief for fair housing case decided by the US Supreme Court (favorably), *Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs v. the Inclusive Communities Project*. July 2015.

Signatory (invited), housing scholars amicus brief for California Supreme Court inclusionary zoning case, *California Building Industry Association v. City of San Jose*, decided (favorably) spring/summer 2014.

Signatory (invited), housing scholars amicus brief for US Supreme Court fair housing case,  
*Township of Mt. Holly et al v. Mt. Holly Gardens Citizens in Action Inc., et al*, October 2013.