# Supplementary Materials: Coalitional Lobbying and Intersectional Representation in American Rulemaking

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# Appendices

#### A Organizational Type Coding Scheme

I classified each interest group in the sample into one of twelve categories demarcating their organizational type. This classification scheme was informed by the work of Baumgartner et al. (2009) and was developed through several iterations of coding coalition members in a pilot version of this project. I classified coalition members by examining their personal websites and conducting searches for their organizational tax statuses in ProPublica. The scheme consisted of the categories displayed below.

#### Organizational Type

Trade union

Non-union professional, trade, or industry association

Not-for-profit organization

Business or business group

Advocacy group

Native American tribe or representative of Native Amer-

ican interests

Not-for-profit business league

Government agency

Think tank or foundation

University

Religious organization

Other

### B Interest Groups in Sample

Affordable Housing Centers of America

Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas

Alaska Federation of Natives

American Council on International Personnel

American Hellenic Institute

Arctic Slope Native Association

Asian American Justice Center

Association of Village Council Presidents

Blackfeet Tribe

California Rural Indian Health Board

California Valley Miwok Tribe

California WIC Association

Catawba Indian Nation

Catholic Charities USA

Cayuga Nation of New York

Center for Community Change

Cherokee Nation

Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe

Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes

Coeur d'Alene Tribe

Communities In Schools

Community Training and Assistance Center

Cook Inlet Tribal Council

Copper River Native Association

Council for Global Immigration

Covenant House International

Cowlitz Indian Tribe

Delaware Tribe of Indians

Duckwater Shoshone Tribe

Eastern Pequot Tribal Nation

Eastern Shoshone Tribe

Federally Employed Women

Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake

Hopi Tribe

Hualapai Tribe

Immigration Equality Action Fund

Immigration Voice

Institute of American Indian Arts

Ione Band of Miwok Indians

Jewish Federations of North America

Juaneno Band of Mission Indians

Karuk Tribe Housing Authority

Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas

Leadership Conference on Civil Rights

League of United Latin American Citizens

Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe

Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina

Mandan Hidatsa Arikara Nation

Maniilaq Association

Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe

Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band

Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe

NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund

Narragansett Indian Tribe

National American Indian Housing Council

National Congress of American Indians

National Network for Youth

National Tribal Environmental Council

Navajo Nation Council

NumbersUSA Action

Pueblo de Cochiti

Pueblo of Santa Clara

Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe

Rocky Mountain Development Council

Samish Indian Nation

Seneca Nation of Indians

The Feminist Majority Foundation

The Latino Coalition

The National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers

The Ounce of Prevention Fund

Virginia Indian Tribal Alliance for Life

Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation

# C Federal Agencies Appearing in Data

Agency	Frequency	Percent
Administration for Children and Families	15	3.16
Bureau of Indian Affairs	40	8.42
Bureau of Labor Management	4	0.84
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management	1	0.21
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	1	0.21
Consumer Financial Protection Bureau	6	1.26
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services	50	10.53
Department of Homeland Security	3	0.63
Department of Commerce	1	0.21
Department of the Interior	7	1.47
Department of Justice	3	0.63
Department of State	6	1.26
Department of Transportation	1	0.21
Election Assistance Commission	4	0.84
Employee Benefits Security Administration	3	0.63
Department of Education	72	15.16
Equal Employment Opportunity Commission	1	0.21
Environmental Protection Agency	35	7.37
Employment and Training Administration	4	0.84
General Services Administration	4	0.84
Food and Drug Administration	12	2.53
Federal Emergency Management Agency	5	1.05
Federal Highway Administration	4	0.84
Food and Nutrition Service	16	3.37
United States Forest Service	2	0.42
Food Safety and Inspection Service	2	0.42
Financial Stability Oversight Council	2	0.42
Federal Transit Administration	4	0.84
Fish and Wildlife Service	21	4.42
Department of Health and Human Services	25	5.26
Department of Housing and Urban Development	11	2.32
Internal Revenue Service	20	4.21
Minerals Management Service	3	0.63
National Labor Relations Board	1	0.21
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	6	1.26
National Park Service	5	1.05
Nuclear Regulatory Commission	6	1.26

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency	4	0.84
Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs	13	2.74
Office of Federal Procurement Policy	2	0.42
Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention	2	0.42
Office of Justice Programs	3	0.63
Office of Management and Budget	1	0.21
Office of Personnel Management	2	0.42
Research and Innovative Technology Administration	2	0.42
Rural Utilities Service	1	0.21
Small Business Administration	2	0.42
Department of the Treasury	4	0.84
United States Courts	3	0.63
United States Customs and Border Protection	1	0.21
United States Citizenship and Immigration Services	23	4.84
Department of Agriculture	1	0.21
Office of the United States Trade Representative	1	0.21
Wage and Hour Division	4	0.84
Total	475	100%

### D Intersectional Advocacy in Public Comments - Examples

The text boxes below present examples of public comments containing intersectional advocacy (key content underlined). For a comment to have been identified as containing intersectional advocacy, it must have contained both an explicit reference to an intersectionally marginalized population and an explicit policy position or recommendation pertaining to the interests of this group. This position or recommendation could have taken any form so long as it specifically identified the desired policy output (such as generally supporting or opposing policy direction/content, recommending the striking, amending, or adding of policy language, or requesting or providing context or detail regarding the proposed policy). This recommendation could have constituted the entirety of a comment, or could have been one of several policy recommendations.

Public Comment from Federally Employed Women (advocating on behalf of economically disadvantaged women):

The proposed regulations set forth a mechanism to determine whether women-owned businesses are underrepresented in a specific four digit NAICS code in terms of contracts awarded and dollars of contracts awarded. If there is underrepresentation as determined by either calculation, the NAICS code becomes one in which a contracting officer, if other criteria are met, <a href="may limit the competition by those small businesses owned by socially and economically disadvantaged women...">may limit the competition by those small businesses owned by socially and economically disadvantaged women...</a>

As the NPRM notes, the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) data used to make the determinations of underrepresentation and substantial underrepresentation, is, in all likelihood, incomplete, in that it only includes those women-owned businesses that choose to register in it. Therefore, we recommend that SBA use in its disparity calculations, in addition to CCR data, other data sources that will allow for a more complete picture of the availability of women-owned businesses for competition.

Public Comment from Cowlitz Indian Tribe (advocating on behalf of tribal members with disabilities):

If our TVR program was not here to coach, guide, and provide <a href="mailto:tribal">tribal</a>
<a href="mailto:members with disabilities">members with disabilities</a> with culturally holistic services and financial assistance where appropriate, I sincerely feel that most of these individuals would remain on welfare, end up back in incarceration and/or into their addictions, become or remain homeless, not believe enough in themselves to complete their education or to obtain gainful, sustainable employment on their own. This would be largely due to the lack of cultural programs where their beliefs are upheld and honored...

It is my sincere hope that the Department of Education will continue their interpretation of eligibility to include state and federal tribes who don't reside on or near a reservation, but who have a service area where there area large number of tribes with members who would best benefit from structured cultural activities and services.

#### E Perfectly Matching Phrase - Example

The text boxes below present an example of a perfectly matching phrase (underlined, detected using the comparison rules described in the main text) between a public comment submitted by the Coalition Against Religious Discrimination (CARD) and a rule finalized by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

Public Comment from CARD:

shall not provid services discrimin program beneficiari prospect program beneficiari basi religion religi belief refus hold religi belief refus attend particip religi practice.

Final Rule by VA:

shall not, provid servic outreach activ relat services <u>discrimin</u> program beneficiari prospect program beneficiari basi religion religi belief refus hold religi belief refus attend particip religi practice.

#### F Extended Summary Statistics - Key Variables

Variable	Mean	Min.	Max.	Std. Dev.	Obs.
Lobbying Influence	54.05	0	741	99.70	209
Financial Capacity	5,939,001	3,918	185,000,000	15,700,000	475
Coalition Size	16.30	1	400	46.90	475
Proposed Rule Salience	43,767	0	2,682,626	236,926	475
Proposed Rule-Comment Similarity	69.08	0	2,085	172.91	209
Comment Length	2,258	25	41,140	4,039	475

#### G Model 2 - Justification of Model Choice

As noted in the main text of the manuscript (see footnote 28), the dependent variable of Model 2 is not continuous (as traditionally required for OLS), but bounded at 0. Thus, the optimal model would rely on maximum likelihood estimation (MLE) in the form of a gamma regression model with a log-link function. However, due to the largely unknown small sample behavior of ML estimators, existing work cautions against the use of MLE with small samples (Long 1997). Recommended guidelines for the use of MLE suggest its application when the sample size is, optimally, 100 or greater and when there are at least 10 observations per parameter; when these guidelines cannot be met, the use of the OLS model is recommended and superior to MLE (Long 1997). Since the number of observations in this model (71) is fewer than 100, an OLS model is the more appropriate choice. However, since the case is somewhat ambiguous (the number of observations in my model is not far from the recommended cut-off), I include the results of a gamma regression model – which affirm the primary findings presented in the main text – in Appendix L.

## ${f H}$ Model 1 - Regression Table

DV: Intersectional Advocacy	1
Coalition	2.304*
	(0.615)
Financial Capacity	0.140*
	(0.072)
Coalition Size	-0.386*
	(0.147)
Proposed Rule Salience	-0.009
	(0.061)
Proposed Rule Complexity	0.245*
	(0.144)
Intersectional Mission	1.039
	(0.759)
Intercept	-3.254*
	(0.904)
N	471
$Pseudo R^2$	0.096

p < 0.1

### ${f I} \quad {f Model} \ 1 - {f No} \ {f Tribes}$

DV: Intersectional Advocacy	1
Coalition	1.407*
	(0.824)
Financial Capacity	0.043
	(0.132)
Coalition Size	-0.351*
	(0.172)
Proposed Rule Salience	0.062
	(0.073)
Proposed Rule Complexity	0.243
	(0.161)
Intersectional Mission	0.547
_	(0.745)
Intercept	-1.495
	(1.948)
N	226
$Pseudo R^2$	0.046

 $p^* < 0.1$ 

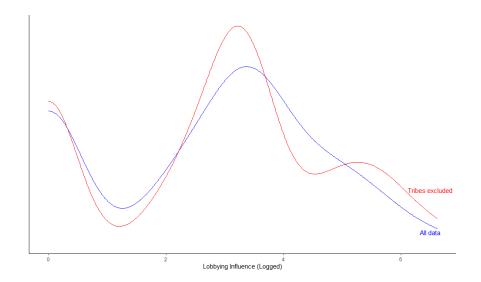
### ${f J}$ Model 2 - Regression Table

DV: Influence of Intersectional Advocacy	2
Coalition	-0.951
	(0.557)
Organizational Diversity	0.832*
	(0.391)
Financial Capacity	0.178*
	(0.065)
Coalition Size	0.366*
	(0.205)
Proposed Rule Salience	-0.047
	(0.101)
Proposed Rule Complexity	-0.038
	(0.137)
Proposed Rule-Comment Similarity	0.669*
	(0.097)
Comment Length	-0.040
	(0.189)
Intercept	-0.797
	(1.383)
N	71
$R^2$	0.53
*	

 $p^* < 0.1$ 

## ${f K}$ Model 2 – Comparison of Data With/Without Tribes

Data	Mean of Lobbying Influence
All Data	2.66
Tribes Excluded	2.92



# L Model 2 - Gamma Regression

DV: Influence of Intersectional Advocacy	2
Coalition	-0.452
	(0.342)
Organizational Diversity	0.573*
	(0.317)
Financial Capacity	0.064
	(0.040)
Coalition Size	0.117
	(0.124)
Proposed Rule Salience	0.012
	(0.063)
Proposed Rule Complexity	-0.046
Drongged Dule Comment Cimilarity	(0.073) $0.362*$
Proposed Rule-Comment Similarity	(0.132)
Comment Length	-0.083
Comment Length	(0.205)
Intercept	-0.471
	(1.469)
N	71

p < 0.1

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