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Project title:

Unceasing Militant: The Life of Mary Church Terrell

Project description

Unceasing Militant: The Life of Mary Church Terrell, is the first full-length scholarly biography of Terrell, a woman born into slavery during the U.S. Civil War who became a prominent activist in a career that spanned from the late 19th century to the Civil Rights Movement of the 1950s.

Bio

[Alison M. Parker](#) is Chair and Professor of History at the University of Delaware. She has research and teaching interests in U.S. women's and gender history, African American history, and legal history. She majored in art history and history at the University of California, Berkeley and earned a PhD in History from the Johns Hopkins University. In 2017-2018, Parker was an Andrew W. Mellon Advanced Fellow at the James Weldon Johnson Institute for the Study of Race and Difference at Emory University, where she worked on her current book project, a biography of the civil rights activist and suffragist Mary Church Terrell. Her book, *Unceasing*

Militant: The Life of Mary Church Terrell is forthcoming in Fall 2020 from the University of North Carolina Press. Among other publications, Parker is the author of two monographs, *Articulating Rights: Nineteenth-Century American Women on Race, Reform, and the State* (2010) and *Purifying America: Women, Cultural Reform, and Pro-Censorship Activism, 1873-1933* (1997). Parker also serves as the founding editor of the Gender and Race in American History book series for the University of Rochester Press. At UD, Parker is committed to helping build a coalition of students, faculty, and staff promoting a wide-ranging anti-racism agenda.