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"Freedom's Dominion: A
Saga of White Resistance
to Federal Power"

Jefferson Cowie, Ph.D.

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6 p.m.

Derryberry Hall
Auditorium

Jefferson Cowie holds the James G. Stahlman Chair in the Department of History at Vanderbilt University. Cowie's work in social and political history focuses on how class, inequality, and labor shape American politics and culture. *The Nation* magazine described him as "one of our most commanding interpreters of recent American experience." In 2023, he won the Pulitzer Prize for History for his book, *Freedom's Dominion: A Saga of White Resistance to Federal Power* (Basic, 2022). *Freedom's Dominion* tells the dramatic tale of generations of local fights against the federal government that prop up a particular version of American freedom: the freedom to oppress others. Reviewers have praised the book, calling it "magisterial," written with "eloquence and with brilliance," and Cowie's "most extraordinary book yet."

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