

AGENDA & BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

**Transgender Health Law and Policy
Theory Practice Seminar**

Friday, October 22, 2021

11:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.

**Co-sponsored by Brooklyn Law School's Center for Health, Science and Public Policy
and the LGBT Advocacy Clinic**

This event will be held on Zoom

Agenda

11:30 a.m. Welcome

Susan Hazeldean

Associate Professor of Law
Director, LGBT Advocacy Clinic
Brooklyn Law School

**11:40 a.m. Health Insurance Rights and Access to Care for Trans People: The Social
Construction of Medical Necessity**

Speaker:

Shahin Talesh

Professor of Law
University of California Irvine School of Law

Moderator:

Frank Pasquale

Professor of Law
Brooklyn Law School

Audience Q&A

12:30 p.m. Break

12:40 p.m. **Practical Realities of Assisting Clients to Access Gender Affirming Care**

Speakers:

Alejandra Caraballo '16

Clinical Instructor
Harvard Law School

Sofia Kaufman '22

Clinical Law Student
LGBT Advocacy Clinic
Brooklyn Law School

Leilani O'Sullivan '23

Clinical Law Student
LGBT Advocacy Clinic
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Walker Shockley '23

Clinical Law Student
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1:45 p.m. **Adjourn**

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Alejandra Caraballo '16, Clinical Instructor, Harvard Law School

Alejandra Caraballo is a Clinical Instructor at Harvard Law School's Cyberlaw Clinic. Prior to joining the clinic, Alejandra was a staff attorney at the Transgender Legal Defense and Education Fund and a Staff Attorney at the LGBTQ Law Project at New York Legal Assistance Group. Alejandra's professional focus has been on advancing the civil rights of LGBTQ people in a variety of civil legal contexts such as healthcare access, immigration, and family law.

Alejandra received her J.D. from Brooklyn Law School where she concentrated in IP and Media Law. She received her B.A. in Government and World Affairs with a minor in Chemistry at the University of Tampa. Alejandra previously served as the Secretary of the LGBTQ Rights Committee of the New York City Bar Association and was appointed as the first openly trans community board

member in Brooklyn. Alejandra's areas of interests include the intersection of technology and disability rights, sex worker advocacy, and the implications of quantum computing on encryption.

Susan Hazeldean, Associate Professor of Law; Director, LGBT Advocacy Clinic, Brooklyn Law School

Susan Hazeldean is an Associate Professor at Brooklyn Law School. Her teaching, scholarship, and law practice focus on gender identity, sexual orientation, and civil rights. Hazeldean teaches family law and is the founding director of Brooklyn Law School's LGBT Advocacy Clinic, in which students represent low-income LGBTQ+ people in a variety of legal matters including prisoners' rights, family law, immigration, and anti-discrimination cases. Her scholarship has appeared in the *Cornell Law Review*, *Cardozo Law Review*, *U.C. Davis Law Review*, *Benders Immigration Review* and the *ABA Human Rights Magazine*. Prior to joining the Brooklyn faculty, Hazeldean was an Associate Clinical Professor directing the LGBT Clinic at Cornell Law School. She was previously a Robert M. Cover Clinical Teaching Fellow at Yale Law School. In 2020, she was awarded the AALS Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Issues Section Excellence in LGBTQ+ Inclusion Award. The National LGBT Bar Association gave her a Best LGBT Lawyers Under 40 Award in 2015. Before entering law teaching, Hazeldean directed the Peter Cicchino Youth Project at the Urban Justice Center in New York City, providing free legal representation to homeless and at-risk LGBTQ youth. She received her B.A. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and her J.D. from Yale Law School. Hazeldean is a former Arthur Liman Public Interest Law Fellow and a member of the New York bar.

Frank Pasquale, Professor of Law, Brooklyn Law School

Frank Pasquale is an expert on the law of artificial intelligence (AI), algorithms, and machine learning. Before coming to Brooklyn Law, he was Piper & Marbury Professor of Law at the University of Maryland, and Schering-Plough Professor of Health Care Regulation & Enforcement at Seton Hall University. He clerked for Judge Kermit V. Lipez of the First Circuit Court of Appeals, and was an associate at Arnold & Porter in Washington, D.C.

Pasquale's 2015 book, *The Black Box Society: The Secret Algorithms That Control Money and Information* (Harvard University Press), has been recognized as a landmark study in information law. It is cited in fields ranging from law and computer science to sociology and literature. The book develops a social theory of reputation, search, and finance, while promoting pragmatic reforms to improve the information economy. The journal *Big Data & Society* hosted an interdisciplinary symposium on *The Black Box Society* in 2020, to mark the fifth anniversary of the book's publication.

Pasquale's latest book, *New Laws of Robotics: Defending Human Expertise in the Age of AI* (Harvard University Press, 2020) analyzes the law and policy influencing the adoption of AI in varied professional fields. The book was a finalist for the American Association of Publishers PROSE awards (in the legal studies and criminology category). It attracted favorable notices from *Wired* and the *Financial Times*. Pasquale has also co-edited *The Oxford Handbook of Ethics of AI* (Oxford University Press, 2020), has edited or co-edited three other books, and co-authored a casebook on administrative law.

Pasquale is an internationally recognized and prolific scholar whose work has addressed the regulation of technology in several contexts. His widely cited research has been featured in top law reviews, and he has advised business and government leaders in the healthcare, Internet, and finance sectors, including the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the U.S. House Judiciary and Energy & Commerce Committees, the Senate Banking Committee, the Federal Trade Commission, and directorates-general of the European Commission. He also has advised officials in Canada and the United Kingdom on law and technology policy. He served on the Council for Big Data, Ethics, and Society from 2014-16, and the National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics from 2019-2021, where he chaired the Subcommittee on Privacy, Confidentiality, and Security.

Pasquale's work on "algorithmic accountability" has helped bring the insights and demands of social justice movements to AI law and policy. In media and communication studies, he has developed a comprehensive legal analysis of barriers to, and opportunities for, regulation of Internet platforms. In privacy law and surveillance, his work is among the leading legal research on regulation of algorithmic ranking, scoring, and sorting systems, including credit scoring and threat scoring. In health law, he has written a series of articles addressing both technological and financial challenges to U.S. healthcare institutions, focusing on how regulators can help providers improve outcomes.

Pasquale is an Affiliate Fellow at Yale University's Information Society Project, and a member of the American Law Institute. He is co-editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Cross-Disciplinary Research in Computational Law* (CRCL), based in the Netherlands, and a member of the Australian Research Council (ARC) Centre of Excellence on Automated Decision-Making & Society (ADM+S).

Pasquale received his J.D. from Yale Law School, M.Phil from Oxford University, and B.A., *summa cum laude*, from Harvard University.

Shahin Talesh, Professor of Law, University of California Irvine School of Law

Professor Talesh is an interdisciplinary scholar whose work spans law, sociology, and political science. His research interests include the empirical study of law and business organizations, dispute resolution, consumer protection, insurance, and the relationship between law and social inequality.

Professor Talesh's most recent empirical study addresses the intersection between organizations, risk, and consumer protection laws, focusing on private organizations' responses to and constructions of laws designed to regulate them, consumers' mobilization of their legal rights and the legal cultures of private organizations.

Professor Talesh's scholarship has appeared in multiple law and peer-reviewed social science journals including *Law and Society Review* and has won multiple awards in Sociology, Political Science and Law & Society.

