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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Brooklyn Law School, Associate Professor of Law, Brooklyn, NY, 2022 – present
Assistant Professor of Law, 2019 – 2022

Columbia Law School, Associate in Law, New York, NY, 2017 – 2019

EDUCATION

The University of Chicago Law School, J.D. with high honors, 2012
Kirkland & Ellis Scholar (top 5% of class)
The University of Chicago Law Review
Order of the Coif

University of Michigan, B.A. with high distinction, Philosophy and Political Science, 2007
James B. Angell Scholar
Phi Beta Kappa

PUBLICATIONS

[*Finding Original Public Meaning*](#), 56 GA. L. REV. 1 (2022)
Winner of Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Call-for-Papers Award (2021)
Selected through peer review for presentation at Michigan Law Junior Scholars Conference (2020)

[*Ordinary Causation: A Study in Experimental Statutory Interpretation*](#), 94 IND. L.J. 957 (2019)
Reviewed in Marcia L. McCormick, [*Crowdsourcing Plain Meaning*](#), JOTWELL (2019)

[*Reporting Certainty*](#), 2019 BYU L. REV. 473 (2019)

[*Belief States in Criminal Law*](#), 68 OKLA. L. REV. 497 (2016)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Evidence Law's Blind Spots
Selected through peer review for presentation at annual Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (2022)

Surveys and Experiments in Statutory Interpretation, in CAMBRIDGE HANDBOOK OF EXPERIMENTAL JURISPRUDENCE (Kevin Tobia, ed., Cambridge University Press 2023)

Empirical Tort Theory

Linguistic Lenity

TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

Primary: Torts, Evidence, Criminal Law, Legislation and Statutory Interpretation, Experimental Jurisprudence
Additional: Criminal Procedure, White-Collar and Corporate Crime, Employment Discrimination

EXPERIENCE

Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, Associate, White Collar Criminal Defense, Products Liability, Appellate, New York, NY, 2015 – 2017

Williams & Connolly, Associate, White Collar Criminal Defense, Mass Torts, Products Liability, Washington, DC, 2012 – 2013, 2014 – 2015; Summer Associate, 2011

Judge Raymond J. Lohier, Jr., United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, Law Clerk, New York, NY, 2013 – 2014

PRESENTATIONS AND PANELS

Empirical Criminal Law

Crimfest, Cardozo Law School, 2022 (moderator)

Evidence Law's Blind Spots

University of Richmond Law School Junior Faculty Forum, 2022

Evidence Summer Workshop, Vanderbilt Law School, 2022

Crimfest, Cardozo Law School, 2022

Annual Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, University of Virginia Law School, upcoming 2022

Blurring the Linguistic/Substantive Distinction in Canons of Interpretation: The Rule of Lenity and Ordinary Meaning

Yale Law School Workshop in Experimental Jurisprudence, 2022

Finding Original Public Meaning

University of Richmond Law School Junior Faculty Forum, 2021

Call-for-Papers Winners Panel, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, 2021

University of Michigan Law School Junior Scholars Conference, 2020

Legislation Works-in-Progress Roundtable, Yale Law School, 2020

New Voices in Legislation, American Association of Law Schools, 2020

Iowa Law School Seminar on Experimental Jurisprudence, 2019

New Frontiers in Experimental Jurisprudence, University of Chicago Law School, 2019

What Does Tort Law Express?

Georgetown Lab for the Empirical Study of Law & Language, 2021

Data-Driven Approaches to Legal Interpretation

Plenary Panel, *Brooklyn Law Review* Symposium, Brooklyn Law School, 2020

Experimental Jurisprudence

Jurisprudence Panel, American Association of Law Schools, 2020 (moderator)

Ordinary Causation: A Study in Experimental Statutory Interpretation

Experimental and Naturalistic Perspectives on the Philosophy of Law, Center for Law, Behavior, and Cognition, Ruhr University, Bochum, Germany, 2018

Experimental Jurisprudence Workshop, Yale Law School, 2017

Reporting Certainty

Associates and Fellows Workshop, Columbia Law School, 2018

Belief States in Criminal Law

Legal Scholarship Workshop, University of Chicago, 2015

Annual Experimental Philosophy Conference, University of Buffalo, 2015

SERVICE

Appointments Committee, 2020 – present

Workshops Committee, 2019 – present

Sparer Public Interest Fellowship Committee, 2020-2021

Organizer, New Frontiers of Experimental Jurisprudence Conference, 2019

Ad Hoc Reviewer,

OXFORD STUDIES IN EXPERIMENTAL PHILOSOPHY

ROUTLEDGE ADVANCES IN EXPERIMENTAL PHILOSOPHY

University of Chicago Law Review

Stanford Law Review