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BROOKLYN LAW SCHOOL, Assistant Professor of Law, *Brooklyn, NY* (July 2020 – Present)

Courses: Election Law & American Democracy (Fall Term 2020); Constitutional Law I (Spring Term 2021)

Research/Teaching Interests: Constitutional Law, Election Law, Civil Rights, Constitutional Theory, Race & Law

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY WAGNER SCHOOL OF PUBLIC SERVICE, Adjunct Professor, *New York, NY*

The Legal Context for Policy & Public Management, graduate lecture/seminar (Spring Term 2020)

A graduate-level course providing an overview of the law's structure and sources, as well as how it is interpreted and applied, in the context of public policy and government administration

Policy Formation & Implementation, graduate lecture (Fall Term 2016) (co-taught with Neil Kleiman)

A graduate-level course focusing on the substantive and procedural considerations and the political realities of how policy professionals interact with government at the national, state, and local levels

The Politics of Public Policy, undergraduate seminar (March 2016) (guest lecturer on Congress & Public Policy)

An introductory undergraduate-level course on American political institutions and the processes through which public policy is conducted and implemented

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, Brennan Center Advocacy Clinic Supervisor, *New York, NY*

State and Local Reforms to Secure Elections (Fall 2019)

Reforming the Presidential Selection Method (Fall 2018)

A fieldwork clinic devoted to teaching students public policy through real world legal reform campaigns impacting the various components of law of democracy

EDUCATION

STANFORD LAW SCHOOL, J.D., *Stanford, CA* (2006 – 2009)

Co-Curricular Activities: Stanford Journal of Civil Rights & Civil Liberties (Business & Finance Editor);

Frederick Douglass Moot Court; Guardianship Law Pro Bono Program; Domestic Violence Pro Bono Program; Black Law Students Association

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, M.P.A., *Philadelphia, PA* (2008 – 2009)

Coursework: Policy Development, Policy Analysis, Pub. Management, Budgeting, Pub. Finance, Economics

BROWN UNIVERSITY, A.B. with *honors*, Philosophy: Ethics & Pol. Theory, *Providence, RI* (2001 – 2005)

Honors: Personhood, Justice, and Property: Deconstructing the Aristotelian Slave Theory (Senior Thesis)

Co-Curricular Activities: Undergraduate Finance Board; Brown Daily Herald; Honorary Degrees Nominating Board; Org. of United African Peoples; Senior Class Giving Campaign

KING'S COLLEGE LONDON, Junior Semester Abroad, *London, U.K.* (Aug. 2004 – Dec. 2004)

Honors: First Honors Distinction in Philosophy (awarded to 3-8% of each department)

LEGAL & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

BRENNAN CENTER FOR JUSTICE AT NYU SCHOOL OF LAW, Fellow, *New York, NY* (July 2020 – Present)

BRENNAN CENTER FOR JUSTICE, Spitzer Fellow & Counsel, *New York, NY* (Mar. 2017 – July 2020)
Researcher, Attorney, and Advocate focusing on Public Law & Democracy: Voting & Elections;
Constitutional Reform; Rule of Law; and Administrative Law & Regulatory

DLA PIPER, LLP, Associate Attorney, *New York, NY* (Sept. 2014 – Mar. 2017)
Litigation, Government Investigations, and Regulatory

Pro Bono Honors: Pro bono counsel for a disabled student & family (won summary judgment motion in federal court on an IDEA appeal) and domestic violence victim in divorce action; advocated for federal inmate seeking executive clemency and for language minority communities in election poll compliance; researched, wrote, & edited reports/manuals for various not-for-profits organizations including on international criminal law, domestic trafficking, and special education rights

U.S. DISTRICT COURT, S.D.N.Y., Judicial Clerk, *New York, NY* (July 2012 – July 2014)
Chambers of the Hon. Deborah A. Batts, U.S. District Judge

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Leg. Assistant & Counsel, *Washington, DC* (July 2011 – June 2012)
Office of the Hon. Eleanor H. Norton, Delegate to Congress for the District of Columbia

CAMPAIGN LEGAL CENTER, Staff Attorney & Fellow, *Washington, DC* (Nov. 2010 – July 2011)

U.S. DEP'T OF TRANSPORTATION (PHMSA Office of Chief Counsel), Attorney Advisor, *Washington, DC*
(June 2010 – Oct. 2010)

DLA PIPER, LLP, Summer Associate, *Washington, DC* (2009)

PROSKAUER ROSE, LLP, Summer Associate, *New York, NY* (2008)

LIEFF CABRASER, LLP Summer Associate, *San Francisco, CA/New York, NY* (2007 & 2008)

STANFORD LAW SCHOOL, Editor SPILS Fellow Thesis Editor, *Stanford, CA* (2008)

SCHOLARLY WRITINGS & PUBLICATIONS

THE PEOPLE'S CONSTITUTION (with John F. Kowal) (*forthcoming*, The New Press, 2021)

So Goes the Nation: The Constitution, the Compact, and what the American West can tell us about how We'll Choose the President in 2020 and Beyond, 120 COLUM. L. REV. 43 (FORUM) (March 2020)

The Benefits of Equity in the Constitutional Quest for Equality, 43 NYU REV. L. & SOC. CHANGE 105 (THE HARBINGER) (June 2019)

OTHER WRITINGS & PUBLICATIONS

The Promise and Pitfalls of the 15th Amendment Over 150 Years, Feb. 3, 2020 BRENNAN CENTER BLOG (with Alex Cohen), <https://www.brennancenter.org/our-work/analysis-opinion/promise-and-pitfalls-15th-amendment-over-150-years>

The Equal Rights Amendment Explained, Jan. 23, 2020, BRENNAN CENTER BLOG (with Alex Cohen), <https://www.brennancenter.org/our-work/research-reports/equal-rights-amendment-explained>

Can the Members of the Electoral College Choose Who They Vote For?, Jan. 8, 2020, BRENNAN CENTER BLOG, <https://www.brennancenter.org/our-work/research-reports/can-members-electoral-college-choose-who-they-vote>

The Electoral College's Racist Origins, Nov. 17, 2019, *The Atlantic*, <https://www.theatlantic.com/ideas/archive/2019/11/electoral-college-racist-origins/601918/>

Pilot Implementation Study of Risk-Limiting Audit Methods in the State of Rhode Island: Report of the Rhode Island RLAA Working Group (co-author and principal editor), Aug. 2019

Continuing the Fight for Constitutional Equality, Jan. 25, 2019, *Ms. Magazine* (with Alex Cohen), <https://msmagazine.com/2019/01/25/continuing-fight-constitutional-equality/>

We Should Move MLK Day to Election Day, Jan. 18, 2019, BRENNAN CENTER BLOG, <https://www.brennancenter.org/blog/we-should-move-mlk-day-election-day>

The Equal Rights Amendment: A Century in the Making, Nov. 26, 2018, BRENNAN CENTER BLOG (with Alex Cohen), <https://www.brennancenter.org/blog/equal-rights-amendment-century-making>

A Temporary Loss Could be a Big Win for Secure Voting, Sept. 19, 2018, BRENNAN CENTER BLOG, <https://www.brennancenter.org/blog/temporary-loss-could-be-big-win-secure-voting>

A Campaign to Re-write the Constitution is Underway, Sept. 13, 2018, *The Hill*, <https://thehill.com/opinion/judiciary/406581-a-campaign-to-rewrite-the-constitution-is-underway>

The Government Is Finally Investing in Election Security, Mar. 27, 2018, *Slate* (with Lawrence Norden), <https://slate.com/technology/2018/03/the-government-is-finally-investing-in-election-security.html>

Brennan Center Quick Take: Senate Intelligence Committee's Election Security Recommendations, Mar. 21, 2018, BRENNAN CENTER BLOG (with Lawrence Norden & Shyamala Ramakrishna), <https://www.brennancenter.org/blog/brennan-center-quick-take-senate-intelligence-committees-election-security-recommendations>

America's Voting Machines at Risk (Report Update), Mar. 8, 2018, BRENNAN CENTER BLOG (with Lawrence Norden), <https://www.brennancenter.org/analysis/americas-voting-machines-risk-an-update>

Replace Pennsylvania Voting Machines Right Now, Mar. 4, 2018, *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* (with Marian Schneider), <https://www.post-gazette.com/opinion/Op-Ed/2018/03/04/Replace-Pennsylvania-voting-machines-right-now/stories/201803040012>

Secure the Vote, Secure Our Democracy, Feb. 23, 2018, *U.S. News & World Report* (with Iris Zhang), <https://www.usnews.com/opinion/thomas-jefferson-street/articles/2018-02-23/congress-must-act-to-upgrade-and-secure-our-voting-machines-before-midterms>

ConCon 2.0: Six Amendments That Conservatives Could Push at a Constitutional Convention, Oct. 10, 2017, TRUTH-OUT.ORG, <https://truthout.org/articles/concon-2-0-six-amendments-that-conservatives-could-push-at-a-constitutional-convention/>

Amending the Constitution: A Civics Test Americans Need to Pass, Aug. 28, 2017, *The American Prospect*, <https://prospect.org/article/amending-constitution-civics-test-americans-need-pass>

EXPERT WITNESS TESTIMONY

Before the New Hampshire House Committee on State-Federal Relations and Veterans Affairs (Submitted) in favor of House Con. Res. 9 (Rescinding the State’s prior Article V applications to Congress for a federal constitutional convention) (Jan. 2020)

Before the Maryland Senate Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs (Submitted) in opposition to S.J. Res. 1 (Applying to Congress for an Article V convention to propose a constitutional amendment authorizing the regulation of contributions and expenditures intended to influence elections) (Feb. 2019)

Before the New Hampshire House Committee on Legislative Administration in favor of House Con. Res. 1 (Rescinding the State’s previous Article V applications to Congress for a federal constitutional convention) (Feb. 2019)

Before the New Hampshire House Committee on State-Federal Relations and Veterans Affairs in opposition to House Con. Res. 6 (Applying to Congress for an Article V convention to propose a congressional term limits amendment) (Feb. 2019)

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

“Legal Alumni Conversation: Using a Law Degree for Progressive Approaches to Social Change,” panelist for an event on progressive lawyering and legal careers hosted by the Brown Alumni Association/Brown Pre-Law Society (June 23, 2020)

“Fifth Saturday Voter Education Forum,” panelist for event hosted by The National Action Network (Feb. 29, 2020)

“Beyond 1619: Engaging Our History, Advancing Our Narratives,” panelist for event hosted by the Inman Page Black Alumni Council, Brown Club of NY, and Brown University Center for the Study of Slavery & Justice (Jan. 14, 2020)

“Threat of an Article V Constitutional Convention,” panelist at Blueprint for a Great Democracy Convening, hosted by Common Cause and the Democracy Initiative (Nov. 2018)

“UnCommon Law: Thinking Outside the Box and Out of the Courtroom,” panelist for an event on alternative legal careers hosted by the Brown Alumni Association/Brown Pre-Law Society (July 2018)

“Election Security,” presentation on Voting Machines, Election Audits & Testing, and Election Funding, hosted by Indivisible, Summit New Jersey (Apr. 2018)

MEDIA APPEARANCES

Miracle Jones and Khari Mosely, *1Hood Power Hour: Election Eve Edition (A Civics Lesson on the Electoral College)*, June 1, 2020, *1Hood Media*
https://www.facebook.com/watch/live/?v=251703885918102&ref=watch_permalink

JD Dayrit, *So Goes the Nation*, Mar. 2020, *Columbia Law Review Podcast* <https://columbialawreview.org/clr-forum-podcast/>

Jason Clark and Adeola Adejobi, *Raising the Bar with the Metropolitan Black Bar Ass’n*, Nov. 24, 2019 (live interview discussing the legal and political contexts for presidential impeachment)

Devin Dwyer, *Electoral College Ruling*, Aug. 23, 2019, *ABC News* (live interview segment discussing the impact of *Baca v. Colo. Dep’t of State*, No. 18-1173, 2019 U.S. App. LEXIS 24805 (10th Cir. Aug. 20, 2019) on the Electoral College)

Matt Vasilogambros, *Trump Alters Electoral College Debate in States*, Apr. 19, 2019, *Stateline*
<https://www.pewtrusts.org/en/research-and-analysis/blogs/stateline/2019/04/19/trump-alters-electoral-college-debate-in-states>

Dave Nyczepir, *Why States Should Be Watching Rhode Island’s Election Audit Pilots*, Jan. 30, 2019, *Route Fifty*
<https://www.routefifty.com/management/2019/01/rhode-islands-election-audits/154544/>

MEMBERSHIPS & PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

New York State Bar Association, Member of Committee on Diversity & Inclusion (2014-2016)

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American Constitution Society for Law & Public Policy

Peer Forward, Education Leadership Council Member (2015-2019)

New Leaders Council, Fellow (2012)

Admitted to practice law in NY, DC (inactive), MA (inactive), and the U.S. District Courts for SDNY & EDNY