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ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Brooklyn Law School, Brooklyn, NY

Assistant Professor of Law, 2024 – present.

Adjunct Professor of Law, 2024.

Courses: Community Development & Movement Infrastructure Clinic; Property.

Service: Experiential Learning Committee; Professional Development Committee; Sparer Committee; Workshops Committee.

Fordham University School of Law, New York, NY

Adjunct Professor of Law, 2023.

Courses: Community & Economic Development Clinic.

Maurice A. Deane School of Law, Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY

Clinical Professor of Law, 2020 – 2022.

Associate Clinical Professor, 2014 – 2020.

Visiting Assistant/Associate Clinical Professor, 2011 – 2014.

Courses: Community & Economic Development Clinic; Disaster Recovery Clinic; Entrepreneurship & Intellectual Property Clinical Practicum.

Service: *Chair*, Learning Outcomes and Assessments Working Group; *Secretary-Treasurer*, Community Legal Assistance Corporation (Hofstra Law Clinic); *Secretary-Treasurer*, Hofstra Law Access to Justice Incubator; *Advisory Board*, Hofstra Center for Civic Engagement; Curriculum Committee.

City University of New York School of Law, Queens, NY

Adjunct Instructor, 2010.

Courses: Community & Economic Development Clinic.

PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

Brooklyn Legal Services Corp. A, Community & Economic Development Program, Brooklyn, NY

Director, 2022 – 2024.

Rejoined Brooklyn A's CED Program to lead it through a transition as it grew into one of the largest pro bono transactional legal programs in the U.S. Expanded the CED Program to 25 staff and managed a budget of over \$5 million and a docket of 600 cases per year. Trained and supervised staff, led fundraising and grant compliance, and developed new practice areas supporting social movement groups and cooperatives.

Staff Attorney/Senior Staff Attorney, September 2008 – June 2011.

Equal Justice Works Fellow/Staff Attorney, September 2005 – September 2007.

Represented non-profit organizations in a full range of corporate and transactional legal matters, with particular focus on financing affordable housing development and preservation, non-profit mergers and acquisitions, exempt organization tax matters, and regulatory and contractual compliance. Supervised student teams from the CED Clinic at CUNY School of Law on their clinical casework done at Brooklyn A. Joined Brooklyn A through an Equal Justice Works fellowship sponsored by Greenberg Traurig LLP.

EDUCATION

Fordham University School of Law, New York, NY, J.D., 2005.

Archibald R. Murray Public Service Award; *The Common Good*, Editor; *Fordham International Law Journal*, Associate Editor; Stein Scholars Program in Public Interest Law and Ethics.

Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, M.A., Literary and Cultural Studies, 1997.

Adamson Award for Academic Excellence.

New College of Florida, Sarasota, FL, B.A., British and American Literature, 1996.

SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS

When the Executive Accidentally Supported the Movement: Participatory Democracy and the Rise of the Non-Profit Industrial Complex, 15 COLUM. J. RACE & L. 1285 (2025).

Transactional Clinical Support for Mutual Aid Groups: Toward a Theory of Transactional Movement Lawyering, 68 WASH. U. J. L & POL'Y 215 (2022).

COVID-19 Mutual Aid, Anti-Authoritarian Activism, and the Law, 67 LOY. L. REV. 61 (2020).

Skills Pedagogy and Legal Ethics in a Law School Disaster Recovery Clinic, in MEETING THE LEGAL NEEDS OF DISASTER SURVIVORS: THIRD RESPONDERS (ABA Press, 2020) (David H. K. Nguyen, ed.) (with C. Benjie Louis).

The New Activist Non-Profits: Four Models Breaking from the Non-Profit Industrial Complex, 73 U. MIAMI L. REV. 863 (2019).

Lawyer for a Coalition of Organizations with an Informal Leader, Movement Lawyering Ethics Symposium, 47 HOFSTRA L. REV. 61 (2018) (with Scott L. Cummings).

Transactional Clinics as Change Agents in the Trump Era: Lessons from Two Contexts, 26 J. AFFORDABLE HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEV. L. 335 (2017) (with Priya Baskaran).

CED After #OWS: From Community Economic Development to Anti-Authoritarian Community Counter-Institutions, 43 FORDHAM URB. L.J. 295 (2016). *Excerpted in* POVERTY LAW, POLICY, AND PRACTICE (Wolters Kluwer Press, 2d ed. 2020) (Juliet Brodie, et al., eds.).

PRACTICE GUIDES, EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS, AND OTHER LEGAL WRITING

Transactional Hypotheticals (chapter 12), in STEFAN H. KRIEGER, TEACHING LAWYERING SKILLS: AN INTEGRATED APPROACH (2025).

Handling Money and Taxes blog, BIG DOOR BRIGADE, <https://bigdoorbrigade.com/category/handling-money-and-taxes/> (2021-2023).

Community Fridges: Legal Questions and Answers, <https://t.co/TXclalFALd> (2022) (with Harvard Law School Food Law and Policy Clinic, Sustainable Economies Law Center, UCLA Food Law and Policy Clinic).

Legal Issues in Mutual Aid Operations: A Preliminary Guide, HOFSTRA UNIV. LEGAL STUD. RES. PAPER NO. 2020-06 (June 2020).

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Panelist, Opportunities for Collaboration Between the Small Business Anti-Displacement Network and Transactional Law School Clinics, Small Business Anti-Displacement Network Conference, University of Maryland, October 2025.

Mutual Aid in Arts and Culture, Solidarity Economy Models for Arts and Culture: Case Studies and Calls to Action, Sustainable Economies Law Center/Art.Coop Webinar, September 2025.

When the Executive Accidentally Supported the Movement, Columbia Journal of Race and Law, Symposium on Executive Power and Its Impacts on Racial Justice, Columbia Law School, April 2025.

CED Clinics and CED Practitioners in Society, AALS Clinical Conference, April 2025.

Strategies for Nonprofit Leaders in Light of the Trump Administration Executive Orders, Peer Defense Project Training, February 2025.

Handling and Protecting Money, Tax, and Other Legal Issues for Crisis Response Teams, Just Practice Collaborative/Building Coordinated Crisis Response Network Meeting, January 2025.

Panelist, Communities Take Control – Upending the Non-Profit Status Quo, CLE, New York City Bar Association Nonprofit Organizations Committee, November 2022.

Panelist, Movement Lawyers and Economic Justice, Law and Political Economy Society, Columbia Law School, November 2022.

Concluding Remarks, Mutual Aid and Survival, Symbiosis Network Regional Gathering on Autonomy and Survival, May 2022.

Sociocracy in Non-Profit and Co-Op Corporate Governance, CLE, Cooperative Professionals Guild, December 2021.

Panelist, Educating Law Students to Service and Partner with Marginalized Communities, Building and Bridging Our Future Together: Hofstra University and Our Communities, September 2021.

Panelist, Community Economic Development and Racial Justice, New York State Permanent Commission on Access to Justice Law School Conference, Columbia Law School, June 2021.

Teach In: Money-Handling and Taxes for Mutual Aid Groups, Barnard Center for Research on Women, February 2021.

Panelist, Mutual Aid in a Time of Crisis & Beyond, Michigan Law School & Georgetown University Law Center, co-sponsored webinar, October 2020.

Podcast Interview, Michael Haber Discusses the New Legal Guide for Groups Doing Mutual Aid, Mutual Aid on Lockdown, September 2020.

Non-Profit Law and Sociocratic Governance, Global Online Sociocracy Conference, May 2020.

The New Activist Non-Profits, ClassCrits XII, Western New England University School of Law, November 2019.

Featured Speaker, Alternatives to Hierarchy: Exploring Shared Leadership in the Workplace, Good Work Institute/Commonwealth Hudson Valley, Kingston, NY, July 2019.

The New Activist Non-Profits, Our Economy!: Economic Democracy and System Change Conference, City University of New York, School of Labor and Urban Studies, April 2019.

Participatory Budgeting in NYC: Participatory Democracy or Politics as Usual?, Tennessee Journal of Race, Gender & Social Justice Symposium, University of Tennessee College of Law, October 2018.

Panelist, *Economic Justice*, Practicing Public Interest Law in the South Conference, Vanderbilt Law School, October 2018.

Panelist, *Best Practices in Community Economic Development*, New York State Bar Association Partnership Conference, Albany, NY, October 2018.

Facilitator, CED Working Group, Association of American Law Schools Clinical Conference, April-May 2018.

Innovations in CED Clinics for Social Justice, Transactional Clinical Conference, Chicago-Kent College of Law, April 2018.

Panelist, *Legal Ethics and Movement Lawyering Roundtable*, Maurice A. Deane School of Law, Hofstra University, April 2018.

Community Land Trusts on Long Island, NYC-CED Network Practitioner Presentation, Urban Justice Center, June 2017.

Transactional Clinics as Change Agents in the Trump Era, Transactional Clinical Conference, Drexel Law School, June 2017.

Community Economic Development and Social Justice. Guest lecture, Social Justice Advocacy and the Law Seminar, Stetson Law School, February 2017.

The Pedagogy of Coalition Work in a Transactional Clinic, Southern Clinical Conference, Charlotte Law School, October 2016.

Old Money in the Next System: Transforming Private Foundations, Democracy Collaborative Teach-In, Murphy Institute for Worker Education and Labor Studies, City University of New York, March 2016.

CED After #OWS: Community-Institution Building in the Age of Anti-Authoritarian Activism, ClassCrits VIII, University of Tennessee College of Law, October 2015.

Transactional Lawyers Telling (Science Fiction) Stories, Transactional Clinical Conference, University of Missouri-Kansas City Law School, April 2015.

Teaching Transactional Skills in a Disaster Recovery Clinic, Teaching Transactional Law and Skills Conference, Emory Law School, June 2014.

Community Economic Development Clinical Pedagogy for the New Democratic Economy, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, May 2014.

Legal Rights of Renters after Sandy, New York State Hurricane Sandy Disaster Case Management Program, Long Island Housing Forum, April 2014.

Law and Regulation in the Wake of Natural Disasters: Environmental, Land Use, Reconstruction, and Takings Issues in a Rapidly Changing Physical World, American Bar Association Teleconference, March 2014.

What Legislators Need to Know to Help Their Constituents: Latest Information and Resources on Sandy Recovery for Legislators and Their Staff, Nassau County Bar Association, Presentation to Local Elected Officials, January 2014.

Conference Introduction: Rebuilding Concerns for Sandy-Impacted Homeowners, Nassau County Building Inspectors Conference on Sandy Issues, Maurice A. Deane School of Law, Hofstra University, November 2013.

The Regulation of Not-for-Profit Corporations. CLE, Nassau County Bar Association, March 2013.

The Partnership Structure in Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Projects: What Tenants' Lawyers Need to Know. CLE, District Council 37 (AFSCME) Municipal Employees Legal Services, June 2012.

Introduction to Community Economic Development. Legal Services NYC, New Advocates Training, January 2011.

Construction Contracts; Commercial Leases. Guest lectures, CUNY School of Law, CED Clinic, November 2010.

Construction Contracts; Commercial Leases. Guest lectures, CUNY School of Law, CED Clinic, September 2009.

Construction Contracts; Commercial Leases. Guest lectures, CUNY School of Law, CED Clinic, September 2008.

Incorporating Green Building in Affordable Housing Development. Legal Services NYC Forum, October 2007.

SELECTED COMMUNITY AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Legal Advisory Group, Mutual Aid Disaster Relief, 2022 – present.

Bylaws and Governance Circle, Sociocracy for All, 2021 – 2025.

Board of Directors, Long Island Progressive Coalition, 2018 – 2024.

Law for Black Lives Clinical Cohort, 2018 – 2020.

ABA Business Law Section, Committee on Community Economic Development, 2014 – 2017.

Co-Founder and Co-Facilitator, NYC Community Economic Development Network, 2006 – 2011.

The Create Collective, Board of Directors, 2007 – 2010.

BAR MEMBERSHIP

New York