

LAURA PORTUONDO
250 Joralemon Street
Brooklyn, NY 11201
laura.portuondo@brooklaw.edu

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Brooklyn Law School, *Associate Professor of Law*, 2026–present

Courses: Constitutional Law, Family Law, Reproductive Rights and Justice

Honors: Dukeminier Award (2026)

University of Houston Law Center, *Assistant Professor of Law*, 2023–2026

Courses: Constitutional Law, Family Law, Reproductive Rights and Justice

Honors: Order of the Barons Professor of the Year (2025–2026); Haub Law Emerging Scholar in Women, Gender, & Law (2024–2025)

Yale Law School, *Clinical Fellow, Reproductive Rights and Justice Project*, 2021–2023

Courses: Reproductive Rights and Justice Clinic and Seminar

EDUCATION

Yale Law School, J.D., 2018

Activities: Coker Fellow (Constitutional Law); Senior Editor, Yale Law Journal; Board, Yale Latinx Law Students Association; Reproductive Rights and Justice Clinic

Yale University, B.A. in English with distinction in the major, *summa cum laude*, 2014

Honors: Phi Beta Kappa; Women in Politics Fellow

PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLES & ESSAYS

[*Free Exercise and the Redistribution of Liberty*](#), 136 YALE L.J. (forthcoming 2027)

- Featured on the LPE Blog as “Some of The Best New LPE and LPE-Adjacent Scholarship” (2026)

[*What Personhood Means*](#), 124 MICH. L. REV. 1303 (2026) (book review)

[*The Myth of Equal Protection*](#), 16 U.C. IRVINE L. REV. 541 (2026)

- Featured on the LPE Blog as “Some of The Best New LPE and LPE-Adjacent Scholarship” (2025)

[*Gendered Liberty*](#), 113 GEO. L.J. 707 (2025)

- 2026 Dukeminier Award (annual paper prize recognizing best law review articles concerning sexual orientation and gender identity)
- Haub Law Emerging Scholar Award in Women, Gender, & Law (annual paper prize)
- Reviewed by Leah Litman, *Free To Be You but Not Me?*, JOTWELL, (June 27, 2025)
- Reviewed by Albertina Antognini, *Whose Liberty?*, JOTWELL (May 8, 2025)

[*Effecting Free Exercise and Equal Protection*](#), 72 DUKE L.J. 1493 (2023)

[*Abortion Regulation as Compelled Speech*](#), 67 UCLA L. REV. 2 (2020)

[*The Overdue Case Against Sex-Segregated Bathrooms*](#), 29.2 YALE J.L. & FEMINISM 465 (2018)
(student note)

SHORTER WORKS

[*13th Annual Symposium: Gender, Conscience, and Healthcare*](#), 26 HOUS. J. HEALTH L. & POL'Y
1 (2026) (symposium organizer introduction)

[*Are Voters Allowed To Protect Abortion?*](#), 104 B.U. L. REV. ONLINE 237 (2024) (symposium)

[*The Limits of Defining Identity in Religion-Gender Conflicts*](#), 38 J.L. & RELIGION 38 (2023)
(invited response) (with Claudia Haupt)

BLOG POSTS & POPULAR MEDIA

[*Anti-Devaluation as Reproductive Justice*](#), BALKANIZATION (April 7, 2025)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Late Hon. Robert A. Katzmann, *Law Clerk, U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit*, 2020–2021

Hon. Jed S. Rakoff, *Law Clerk, U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York*, 2019–2020

Center for Reproductive Rights, *Judicial Strategy Fellow*, 2018–2019

Yale Law School, *Coker Teaching Fellow in Constitutional Law*, 2017–2018

O'Melveny & Myers LLP, *Summer Associate*, Summer 2017

New York Civil Liberties Union, *Legal/Legislative Intern*, Summer 2016

Punahou School, *Sophomore English Teacher*, 2014–2015

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Free Exercise and the Redistribution of Liberty

Yale Law School Public Law Workshop (September 2026)

Annual Law & Religion Roundtable (June 2026)

Washington University School of Law Faculty Workshop (April 2026)

West Coast Sexuality, Gender, & the Law Conference (March 2026)

Texas Junior Scholars Faculty Conference (December 2025)

The Myth of Equal Protection

Law and Society Conference (May 2025)

National Conference of Constitutional Law Scholars (March 2025)

Emory Law School Faculty Colloquium (March 2025)

Fifteenth Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium (November 2024)

Gendered Liberty

West Coast Sexuality, Gender, & the Law Conference (March 2024)
National Conference of Constitutional Law Scholars (March 2024)
Nootbaar Fellows Conference on Law and Religion (February 2024)
Fourteenth Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium (October 2024)
BYU Law School Individual Rights & Liberty Interests Colloquium (October 2024)
Annual Law & Religion Roundtable (June 2023)

Effecting Free Exercise and Equal Protection

Northeastern University School of Law, First Amendment Seminar (March 2023)
Nootbaar Fellows Conference on Law and Religion (February 2023)
Yale Law School Free Exercise Speaker Series (February 2023)
Thirteenth Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium (November 2022)
ACS Constitutional Law Scholars Forum Conference (February 2022)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Fellow, Nootbaar Institute on Law, Religion, and Ethics	2022–present
Member, New York Bar	2019–present