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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Indiana University Maurer School of Law, Bloomington, IN

Associate Professor of Law (2020-present)

Courses: Administrative Law, Judicial Politics, Law and Democracy,

Affiliations: O'Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs, Ostrom Workshop in Political Theory and Policy Analysis

University of Virginia School of Law, Charlottesville, VA

Program Director – Karsh Center for Law and Democracy (2019-2020)

Seton Hall University School of Law, Newark, NJ

Visiting Assistant Professor (2017-2019)

Courses: Civil Procedure, Criminal Procedure, Law and Economics, Legal Education Opportunity Program

Tulane University Law School, New Orleans, LA

Visiting Assistant Professor (2014-2017)

Courses: Administrative Law, Conflict of Laws, Law and Economics of the Regulatory State, Workshop on Economic Regulation

EDUCATION

New York University School of Law, New York, NY

J.D., 2009

Activities: Annual Survey of American Law – Symposium Editor (organized “Tort Law in the Shadow of Preemption”), Dwight D. Opperman Scholar

New York University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, New York, NY

Ph.D. in Politics, 2014; *M.A. in Politics*, 2004

Dissertation: The Role of Courts in Modern Democracy

Activities: MacCracken Fellowship, Bradley Fellowship (2007, 2008), NYU Department of Politics Research Fellowship (2009, 2010, 2011)

Amherst College, Amherst, MA

B.A. in Philosophy and Political Science, 2002

Activities: Phi Beta Kappa, John Kenneth Galbraith Scholar, Gail Kennedy Prize in Philosophy

PUBLICATIONS

The Undemocratic Class Action, WASHINGTON U. L. REV. (forthcoming, 2023), [link](#)

Enforcement Signals Under Rules and Standards (with Michael Gilbert and Rebecca Kerley), AMERICAN LAW AND ECONOMICS REVIEW (peer-review, under review), [link](#)

Foreseeability, Causation, and Guilt in COLLECTIVE ACTION, PHILOSOPHY AND THE LAW (Chiara Valentini and Teresa Marques, eds., Routledge) (2022), [link](#)

Unmarked Agents, Accountability, and the Anti-Commandeering Doctrine, CAL. L. REV. ONLINE (Oct. 2020), [link](#)

Comments on Executive Rulemaking and Democratic Legitimacy: "Reform" in the US and the UK's Route to Brexit, 94 CHI-KENT L. REV. 569 (2019), [link](#)

The False Allure of Settlement Pressure, 50 LOY. U. CHI. L.J. 271 (2018), [link](#)

Beyond Citizens United, 84 FORDHAM L. REV. 2756 (2016) (with Catherine Hafer), [link](#)

Mixed Motives in the Equilibrium View of Joint Intention, 173 PHIL. STUD. 733 (2016) (with Dimitri Landa), [link](#)

Increasing Leverage: Judicial Review as a Democracy-Enhancing Institution, 10 Q.J. POL. SCI. 357 (2015) (with Patrick Le Bihan), [link](#)

Blame-Shifting, Judicial Review, and Public Welfare, 27 J.L. & POL. 239 (2012), [link](#)

Politicization of Bureaucracy, INTERNATIONAL ENCYCLOPEDIA OF POLITICAL SCIENCE (Bertrand Badie, et al. eds., SAGE 2011), [link](#)

Strategic Coordination and the Law, 25 L. & PHIL. 501 (2007) (with Dimitri Landa), [link](#)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Collective Crimes: A Joint Intention Approach (with Dimitri Landa), [link](#)

Empty Desks: The Political Economy of Vacancies

Aggregation by Other Means

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Empty Desks: Political Appointments in the Trump Era and Beyond, Presenter, SEALS (July 2022)

Empty Desks: Political Appointments in the Trump Era and Beyond, Presenter, Culp Colloquium, University of Chicago Law School (June 2022)

Class Action Democracy, Presenter, Culp Colloquium, Duke Law School (Sep. 2021)

Aggregation by Other Means, Presenter, Chicagoland Junior Scholars Conference, Northern Illinois University College of Law (Sep. 2021)

Enforcing Rules vs. Enforcing Standards, Presenter, Junior Faculty Workshop Exchange, Washington University School of Law (April 2021)

Executive Rulemaking and Democratic Legitimacy: "Reform" in the US and the UK's Route to Brexit by Susan Rose-Ackerman, Commenter, The Trump Administration and Administrative Law Symposium, Chicago-Kent College of Law (Nov. 2018)

De Facto Class Actions, Presenter, Faculty Colloquium Series, Seton Hall University School of Law (Feb. 2018)

Joint Crimes, Presenter, Collective Action and the Law Conference, Pompeu Fabra University (Sep. 2016)

The Sentence of Death: Communication and Retention Costs on State High Courts by Michael K. Romano and Todd A. Curry, Discussant, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Sep. 2016)

Legislating in the Shadows by Christopher J. Walker, Discussant, Conference on Political Economy and Public Law, Cornell University Law School (June 2016)

Presidents, Regulators and Policy Disagreement: A Framework for Estimating Audit Scores by Alex Acs, Discussant, Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Washington University School of Law (Oct. 2015)

Strategic Rulemaking Disclosure by Jed Stiglitz and Jennifer Nou, Discussant, Conference on Political Economy and Public Law, New York University School of Law (June 2015)

Beyond Citizens United, Presenter, Workshop on Economic Regulation, Tulane University Law School (March 2015)

An Institutional Design Approach to Campaign Finance Regulation, Presenter, Political Economy of Financial Regulation Conference, George Washington University Law School (Feb. 2013)

Increasing Leverage: Judicial Review as a Democracy-Enhancing Institution, Presenter, American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, Stanford Law School (May 2012)

PRIOR PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

United States District Court, Southern District of Texas, Corpus Christi, TX
Law Clerk for the Honorable Janis Graham Jack (2013-2014)

Committee on Capital Markets Regulation, Cambridge, MA
Research Associate (2012)

BBS-CIS, Ltd., New York, NY
Consultant, Corporate Law (2012)

Axinn, Veltrop & Harkrider, LLP, New York, NY

Summer Associate (2008)

New York University Dept. of Politics, New York, NY
Teaching Assistant (2004-2006, 2010-2012)

MEMBERSHIPS

American Law and Economics Association, American Political Science Association, Bar of the State of New York, Hispanic National Bar Association