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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

Washington & Lee University School of Law

Visiting Faculty

Spring 2023

COURSES: Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure Adjudication.

The University of Alabama School of Law

Assistant Professor in Residence

2020 – Present

AWARDS: Scholar, National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Institute on Law and Culture in Medieval England.

2021

COURSES: Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure Investigation, Criminal Procedure Post-Conviction, and Regulation of Alcoholic Beverages.

SERVICE: ORED Small Grant Program Committee and Honors College External Faculty Advisory Committee.

BOOKS

CRIME FANTASIES, PANICS, AND WITCH-HUNTS IN AMERICAN SOCIETY (Palgrave MacMillan, *forthcoming*).

ALCOHOL REGULATION: CASES, MATERIALS, AND PROBLEMS, co-authored with Tom Ginsburg, (Carolina Academic Press, *forthcoming*).

ARTICLES & ESSAYS (* indicates peer review; † indicates invited contribution)

Dismembering the Obscene Body, in FLESHY JURISPRUDENCES: LAW, HUMAN AND THE CORPOREAL (Joshua Shaw ed., *forthcoming*).

Law's Gaze, 25 THE JOURNAL OF GENDER, RACE AND JUSTICE 45 (2022).

Reclaiming Black Dignity, 99 TEXAS LAW REVIEW ONLINE 1 (2020), <https://texaslawreview.org/reclaiming-black-dignity/>.

*†*The Model Speaks?: Obscenity Laws in the United States*, in GENDER AND JUSTICE: THEORETICAL PRACTICES OF INTERSECTIONAL IDENTITY, 257 (Elaine Wood ed., 2020).

**Crime Fantasies*, 46 AMERICAN JOURNAL OF CRIMINAL LAW 193 (2019).

Dignity Takings in the Criminal Law of Seventeenth-Century England and the Massachusetts Bay Colony, 92 CHICAGO-KENT LAW REVIEW 743 (2018).

The Ideological Origins of the Right to Counsel, 68 SOUTH CAROLINA LAW REVIEW 87 (2016).

Restoring Community Dignity Following Police Misconduct, 59 HOWARD LAW JOURNAL 621 (2016).

Introductory Essay, History of Crime and Punishment in America 1600 to 1776, in THE SOCIAL HISTORY OF CRIME AND PUNISHMENT IN AMERICA, VOLUME V, 1991 (Wilbur R. Miller ed., 2012).

OTHER ACADEMIC WORKS (* indicates peer review; † indicates invited contribution)

**People v. Helen Wu*, Commentary in FEMINIST JUDGMENTS: CRIMINAL LAW (Bennett Capers, Sarah Deer, & Corey Rayburn Yung eds., forthcoming).

† Review: Lyn Mills Eckert, *FREE SPEECH LAW AND THE PORNOGRAPHY DEBATE: A GENDER-BASED APPROACH TO REGULATING INEGALITARIAN PORNOGRAPHY*, 2021 CRIMINAL LAW AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE BOOKS (forthcoming).

† Review: Esther Sullivan, *MANUFACTURED INSECURITY: MOBILE HOME PARKS AND AMERICANS' TENUOUS RIGHT TO PLACE* and DAVE COWAN, ET. AL. OWNERSHIP, NARRATIVE, THINGS, 53 LAW & SOCIETY REVIEW 1393 (2019).

† *The People v. Donald J. Trump? An Inquire into President Trump facing Criminal Charges*, JURIST (Leanne Winkels, ed., June 26, 2019), <https://www.jurist.org/commentary/2019/06/john-acevedo-trump-criminal-charges/>.

Flag Burning, and Cruel & Unusual Punishment (Prohibition Against), in ENCYCLOPEDIA OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE ETHICS (Brace A. Arrigo & Geoffrey J. Golson eds., Sage Pub., 2014).

Property Division Law, U.S. History of, in CULTURAL SOCIOLOGY OF DIVORCE (Robert E. Emery & Geoffrey J. Golson eds., Sage Pub., 2013).

English Charter of Liberties of 1100, at 539; *Gideon v. Wainwright*, at 697-698; *Habeas Corpus Act of 1679*, at 729-730; *Laws and Liberties of Massachusetts*, at 993-994; and *Trials*, at 1824-1830, in SOCIAL HISTORY OF CRIME & PUNISHMENT IN AMERICA (Wilbur R. Miller ed., Sage Pub., 2012).

NEWS AND MEDIA INTERVIEWS

Quoted by Sudiksha Kochi, *Fact Check: False claim that a 12-year-old who gets an abortion in Alabama is jailed for life*, USA TODAY (Oct. 24, 2022, 8:29 a.m.), <https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/factcheck/2022/10/24/fact-check-false-claim-criminal-penalties-alabama-abortions/8177047001/>.

Quoted by Sudiksha Kochi, *Fact Check: In Alabama, sentencing varies for illegal abortion, rape*, USA TODAY (July 27, 2022, 3:43 p.m.), <https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/factcheck/2022/07/27/fact-check-alabama-sentencing-varies-illegal-abortion-rape/10057024002/>.

Quoted by Angelo Fichera, *Post comparing abortion, rape law penalties in Alabama lacks context*, AP NEWS (June 29, 2022), <https://apnews.com/article/fact-check-abortion-law-penalties-Alabama-lack-context-389799878328>.

Cited by Tom Kertscher, *Blake Masters 'wants to pass a national ban on abortion.'* POLITIFACT (The Poynter Institute, Aug. 5, 2022), <https://www.politifact.com/factchecks/2022/aug/26/mark-kelly/blake-masters-still-supports-national-abortion-ban/>

WORKS IN PROGRESS

TOIL AND TROUBLE: LEGAL PROCESSES AND EVIDENCE DURING THE SALEM WITCHCRAFT TRIALS (Manuscript in preparation).

Bounded Universalism: Toward a Theory of Legal Relativism (in draft).

Prurient Zoning (research ongoing).

The Satanic Temple, The New First Amendment Accusers (in preparation).

EDUCATION

The University of Chicago, Department of History

Ph.D., M.A., 2013

University of Southern California, Gould School of Law

J.D., 2004

California State University, San Bernardino, Department of History

B.A. with honors, 1999

EMPLOYMENT

The University of Alabama School of Law

Visiting Lecturer of Law

2018 – 2020

COURSES: Criminal Procedure Pre-Trial, Criminal Procedure Post-Conviction, Comparative Criminal Procedure, and Regulation of Alcoholic Beverages

University of La Verne, College of Law

Assistant Professor

2016 - 2018

AWARDS: 2017-2018 La Verne Fellow and 2017-2018 Professor of the Year

Courses: Constitutional Law, English Legal History, First Amendment, Legal Research & Writing, and Jurisprudence

Barry University, Dwayne O. Andreas School of Law

Visiting Assistant Professor

2015 – 2016

COURSES: Criminal Procedure, Criminal Law, and Constitutional Law

University of Southern California, Gould School of Law

Lecturer

2014 – 2015

COURSES: Constitutional Law and Introduction to U.S. Legal Systems

Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago-Kent College of Law

Adjunct Professor

2014

COURSE: Comparative Criminal Procedure

The University of Chicago, The College

Lecturer

2012 – 2013

COURSE: America in World Civilization

The University of Chicago, Graham School of General Studies

Adjunct Professor

2009

COURSE: History of Criminal Procedure

The University of Chicago, The College

Bessie Pierce Prize Preceptor

2008 – 2011

COURSES: Historiography & Research Methods and Senior Seminar

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS († indicates invited participation)

“Crime Fantasies, Panics, and Witch-Hunts in American Society,” *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Lisbon, 13 – 16 July 2022. †The paper was previously presented to the *Grey Faction of the Satanic Temple*, virtual, 7 June 2021.

“Author Meets Reader: Clair Priest, Credit Nation: Property Laws and Institutions in Early America,” Reader, *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Lisbon, 13 – 16 July 2022.

“Toil and Trouble: Salem Witchcraft Trials Preliminary Findings,” *American Historical Association Annual Meeting*, New Orleans, 6 – 9 January 2022 (Virtual).

A previous version of this paper was presented at the *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Toronto, Canada 7 – 10 June 2018.

“Prurient Zoning: The Theory and Practice of Sex Speech Zoning,” *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago – Virtual, 26 – 30 May 2021.

“Law’s Gaze,” *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Denver – Virtual, 28 – 31 May 2020.

“Crime Fantasies,” *CrimFest!*, Brooklyn Law School, 15 – 16 July 2019.

“Bounded Universalism,” *Law and Society Annual Meeting*, Washington DC, 31 May – 2 June 2019.

A previous version of this paper was presented at the Midwest Law and Society Retreat, Madison, 26 – 27 October 2018.

† “Historical Methodology in Property Law Research,” Roundtable Panelist, *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Toronto, Canada, 7 – 10 June 2018.

† “A Brief Introduction to the Second Amendment,” Guest Speaker, *Townhall For Our Lives with Congresswoman Norma Torres*, Montclair, California, 6 April 2018.

“Takings Beyond Compensation: The Anglo-American Enclosure Movement as a Case Study of Systemic Takings,” *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Mexico City, Mexico, 20 – 23 June 2017.

“Transmuting the Common Law: Criminal Law Reform in Early Massachusetts Bay,” *American Society of Law, Society, and the Humanities Annual Meeting*, Stanford, California, May 2017.

† “14: Dred Scott, Wong Kim Ark & Vanessa Lopez,” Roundtable Panelist, *Diversity and Inclusivity*, La Verne, California, 25 April 2017.

† “Future Directions in Law and Society Research,” Roundtable Panelist, *Midwest Law and Society Retreat*, Madison, Wisconsin, 18 – 19 November 2016.

“Dignity Takings in Seventeenth-Century Massachusetts Bay Criminal Law,” *Chicago-Kent Law Review Symposium on Dignity Takings and Dignity Restoration*, Chicago, 10 – 11 November 2016.

A previous version of this paper was presented at *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Seattle, 28 May 2015.

“Community Reparations as a Remedy for Dignity Takings Following Police Misconduct,” *American Society of Law, Society and the Humanities Annual Meeting*, Hartford, 1-2 April 2016. A previous version of this paper was presented at the *Southeast-Southwest Persons of Color Conference*, FAMU College of Law, Orlando, 26 February 2016.

† “Restoring Community Dignity Following Police Misconduct,” *12th Annual Wiley A. Branton Symposium*, Howard University, 29 October 2015.

“Bounded Universalism: Toward a Theory of Legal Relativism,” *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Boston, 2 June 2013.

“A Brief Legal History of the Salem Witchcraft Trials,” *Newberry Center for Renaissance Studies Multidisciplinary Graduate Student Conference*, Newberry Library Chicago, 24 – 26 January 2013.

†“The History of Equity and Chancery in English Law,” Guest Lecturer, The University of Chicago, Graham School of General Studies, 10 October 2012.

“Criminal Procedure and Law of the Salem Witchcraft Trials,” *Early Modern Workshop*, The University of Chicago, 10 December 2012.

PANEL CHAIRS & DISCUSSANTS († indicates invited participation)

“Law, Crime, and Punishment” Discussant, *New Directions in Law and Society*, Amherst, 7 – 8 October 2022.

“Land and Inequality,” Panel Chair & Discussant, *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Lisbon, 13 – 16 July 2022.

“The Implications of Gender, Race, and Culture in the Regulation of Property,” Panel Chair & Discussant, *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Lisbon, 13 – 16 July 2022.

“Addressing the Housing Crisis,” Panel Chair & Discussant, *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago – Virtual Meeting, 27 – 30 May 2021.

“Race and Property,” Roundtable Chair, *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago – Virtual Meeting, 27 – 30 May 2021.

“Regulating Property Use,” Panel Chair & Discussant, *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago – Virtual Meeting, 27 – 30 May 2021.

“Property Use and Ownership,” Panel Chair & Discussant, *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Denver – Virtual Meeting, 28 – 31 May 2020.

† “Civil Asset Forfeiture’s Impact on Race and Class,” Moderator, *Law Review Symposium: Timbs v. Indiana One Year Later: The Future of Civil Asset Forfeiture*, Tuscaloosa, 6 March 2020.

† “Balancing Individual Rights and Privacy with Individual and Public Safety,” Moderator, *Law & Psychology Review Symposium: Seeing Red: Risk-Based Gun Regulation*, Tuscaloosa, 21 February 2020.

“Contested Urban Property Rights,” Panel Chair & Discussant, *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Washington, D.C., 31 May – 2 June 2019.

“Making Property Law,” Panel Chair & Discussant, *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Toronto, 7 – 10 June 2018.

“Law, Corporations, and Finances,” Panel Chair & Discussant, *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, Mexico City, 20 – 23 June 2017.

“Legal Bodies and Legal Ethics,” Panel Chair, *American Society for Law, Culture, and the Humanities Annual Meeting*, Hartford, 1 – 2 April 2016.

“Constitutional Development in the Colonial and Post-Colonial State,” Panel Chair & Respondent, *Law and Society Association Annual Meeting*, 2 June 2013.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Peer Reviewer: National Science Foundation, American Journal of Legal History, Carolina Academic Press, Journal of Law Business Ethics, Law & Social Inquiry, and Law & Society Review.

National Lawyers Guild Review

Contributing Editor 2022 – Present

Federal Employee Education and Assistance Fund

Scholarship Evaluator 2020 – Present

Law and Society Association, Socio-Legal Approaches to Property CRN

Coordinator 2018 – Present

Conference Panel Organizer 2017 – 2018

Journal of Law Business Ethics

Articles Editor 2018 – 2019

Supervising Faculty Member 2016 – 2018

Law and Society Association, Colonization and the Law CRN

Coordinator 2011 – 2017

H-Law

Web editor/Editorial Board Member 2012 – 2015

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

University of Alabama, ORED Small Grant Program Committee

Law School Representative Sept. 2020 – Present

University of Alabama, Honors College External Faculty Advisory Committee

Law School Representative Oct. 2020 – June 2022

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Constitution Society; American Historical Association; American Society for Legal History; Law and Society Association; North American Conference on British Studies; Omohundro Institute; Phi Alpha Delta, Law Fraternity; and the Selden Society.