

Academic Experience

University of Iowa College of Law, Iowa City, Ia.

Professor of Law, Fall 2020–present

Visiting Associate Professor of Law, Fall 2017

Pepperdine University, Rick J. Caruso School of Law, Malibu, Calif.

Professor of Law, Fall 2019–Summer 2020

Associate Professor of Law (with tenure), Fall 2017–Summer 2019

Associate Professor of Law, Fall 2011–Summer 2017

University of Notre Dame Law School, South Bend, Ind.

Visiting Professor of Law, Spring 2020

Penn State Law, University Park, Pa.

Visiting Assistant Professor, Shughart Scholar, Summer 2010–Summer 2011

Professional Experience

Kirkland & Ellis LLP, Chicago, Ill.

Associate, Litigation practice group, Fall 2008–Spring 2010

Summer Associate, Summer 2006

Hon. Raymond W. Gruender, United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit, St. Louis, Mo.

Judicial Clerk, Fall 2007–Fall 2008

Principal Publications

Weaponizing the Ballot, FLA. ST. U. L. REV. (forthcoming) [[SSRN](#)]

The Electoral College and the Federal Popular Vote, HARV. L. & POL'Y REV. (forthcoming) (symposium) [[SSRN](#)]

Chameleon Congressional Districts, 64 ST. LOUIS U. L.J. 673 (2020) (symposium) [[SSRN](#)]

Nonjudicial Solutions to Partisan Gerrymandering, 62 HOWARD U. L.J. 791 (2019) (symposium) [[SSRN](#)]

The High Cost of Lowering the Bar, 32 GEO. J. L. ETHICS 307 (2019) (with Robert Anderson IV) [[SSRN](#)]

The Democracy Ratchet, 94 IND. L.J. 451 (2019) [[SSRN](#)]

Legal Quandaries in the Alabama Senate Election of 2017, 69 ALA. L. REV. 983 (2018) [[SSRN](#)]

What's Old Is New Again: The Nineteenth Century Voter Registration Debates and Lessons About Voter Identification Disputes, 56 WASHBURN L.J. 109 (2017) (symposium) [[SSRN](#)]

"Natural Born" Disputes in the 2016 Presidential Election, 85 FORDHAM L. REV. 1097 (2016) (symposium) [[SSRN](#)]

Ballot Speech, 58 ARIZ. L. REV. 693 (2016) [[SSRN](#)]

Legislative Delegations and the Elections Clause, 43 FLA. ST. U. L. REV. 717 (2016) (symposium) [[SSRN](#)]

Perpetuating "One Person, One Vote" Errors, 39 HARV. J.L. & PUB. POL'Y 371 (2016) (solicited) [[SSRN](#)]

Scrutinizing Federal Electoral Qualifications, 90 IND. L.J. 559 (2015) [[SSRN](#)]

Winner: Pepperdine University School of Law Dean's Award for Excellence in Scholarship, 2016

The Play in the Joints of the Election Clauses, 13 ELECTION L.J. 310 (2014) (peer reviewed) (solicited) [[SSRN](#)]

Judicial Review of Congressional Power Before and After Shelby County v. Holder, 8 CHARLESTON L. REV. 287 (2013) (solicited) [[SSRN](#)]

Invisible Federalism and the Electoral College, 44 ARIZ. ST. L.J. 1237 (2012) [[SSRN](#)]

More Thoughts on the Compact Clause and the National Popular Vote: A Response to Professor Hendricks, 7 ELECTION L.J. 227 (2008) (peer reviewed) (solicited) [[SSRN](#)]

The Compact Clause and the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact, 6 ELECTION L.J. 372 (2007) (peer reviewed) [[SSRN](#)]

Essays, Responses, & Notes

Restraining Judicial Application of the “Safe Harbor” Provision in the Electoral Count Act, OHIO ST. L.J. FURTHERMORE (forthcoming) (solicited)

Celebrating the Work of Professor Bob Cochran: An Introduction, 47 PEPP. L. REV. iii (2020) (symposium) [[SSRN](#)]

Cyber Interference in Elections and Federal Agency Action, HARV. L. REV. BLOG (Oct. 29, 2018) (solicited) [[link](#)]

Three Divergent Election-Law Decisions in the Early Trump Administration, 2017 U. ILL. L. REV. ONLINE: Trump 100 Days (Apr. 29, 2017) (solicited) [[link](#)]

Complexity Confronting State Judges and the Right to Vote, 77 OHIO ST. L.J. FURTHERMORE 65 (2016) (solicited) [[SSRN](#)]

Evenwel v. Abbott: *A New Attempt to Define “One Person, One Vote,”* GEO. WASH. L. REV. DOCKET (Apr. 5, 2016) [[link](#)]

“Compact Clause,” 1 AMERICAN GOVERNANCE 355 (S. Schechter et al. eds., Macmillan 2016)

Disfavored Candidates and the Democracy Canon, 65 FLA. L. REV. FORUM 53 (2013) (solicited) [[SSRN](#)]

Note, “*As Much Upon Tradition as Upon Principle*”: *A Critique of the Privilege of Necessity Destruction Under the Fifth Amendment*, 82 NOTRE DAME L. REV. 481 (2006) [[SSRN](#)]

Works in Progress

Federal Judicial Clerkship Report of Recent Law School Graduates, 2020 Edition [[SSRN](#)]

Grant

2019, AccessLex: Co-Principal Investigator (with C.J. Ryan), *The Secret Sauce: Evaluating Overperforming (and Underperforming) Law Schools on the Bar Exam*

Teaching Experience

Recipient, Howard A. White Award for Teaching Excellence, Pepperdine University, 2018

Federal Courts (scheduled Spring 2021, Fall 2017, Spring 2011)

Civil Procedure (scheduled Spring 2021, Fall 2015, Fall 2013, Fall 2012, Fall 2010)

Election Law (Fall 2020, Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2014, Fall 2012)

Evidence (Summer 2020 x2, Spring 2020, Fall 2018 x2, Spring 2018, Fall 2016, Spring 2016, Fall 2014, Spring 2014)

Advanced Topics in Election Law (Spring 2020)

Administrative Law (Spring 2018, Fall 2015)

Complex Litigation (Spring 2017, Spring 2015, Fall 2013, Spring 2012)

Civil Procedure II (Spring 2012)

Civil Procedure I (Fall 2011)

Education

University of Notre Dame Law School, Juris Doctor, *summa cum laude*, 2007

NOTRE DAME LAW REVIEW

Note Editor & Article Selection Committee, 2006–2007

Dean's Awards for highest grades in Business Associations and Election Law

Hillsdale College, Bachelor of Arts in English, *summa cum laude*, 2004

Honors Program graduate

Senior Class Vice President

Commentary

Trump Can't Postpone the Election, WALL ST. J., A13, Apr. 30, 2020 [[link](#)]

California's election rules make it hard to hold politicians accountable, L.A. TIMES, Jan. 10, 2020 [[link](#)]

No Country for Old Presidents, WALL ST. J., A11, Nov. 13, 2019 [[link](#)]

Judicial vacancies threaten the rule of law, ORANGE COUNTY REGISTER, Jan. 4, 2018 [[link](#)]

How Not to Get Trump's Tax Returns, N.Y. TIMES, A23, Apr. 3, 2017 [[link](#)]

Faithless Electors: Now It's Up To Congress, WALL ST. J., A11, Dec. 20, 2016 [[link](#)]

An outstanding choice for U.S. Supreme Court vacancy, ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH, Dec. 13, 2016 [[link](#)]

Libertarians and Greens Can Win—Even If They Lose, WALL ST. J., A11, Oct. 14, 2016 [[link](#)]

What would happen in the Electoral College if Trump dropped out?, NATIONAL REVIEW, Oct. 11, 2016 [[link](#)]

Don't force electors to vote for Trump or Hillary, DETROIT NEWS, June 16, 2016 [[link](#)]

Awarding presidential delegates by congressional districts is unfair, SACRAMENTO BEE, June 6, 2016 [[link](#)]

GOP nomination process 101: Candidates' remedial edition, REUTERS, Apr. 14, 2016 [[link](#)]

If no one else can stop Trump, the Electoral College still can. It's in the Constitution, WASH. POSTEVERYTHING, Mar. 17, 2016 [[link](#)]

Natural-born mess: What would it take to kick Ted Cruz off the ballot?, REUTERS, Jan. 15, 2016 [[link](#)]

Courts should stay out of Cruz eligibility fight, THE HILL, Jan. 15, 2016 [[link](#)]

The Donald on 'SNL': Equal Time Isn't Needed, WALL ST. J., A15, Nov. 5, 2015 (with Babette Boliek) [[link](#)]

Mary Landrien's residency isn't up to courts, it's up to Congress, NEW ORLEANS TIMES-PICAYUNE, Sept. 3, 2014 [[link](#)]

Fix Michigan election law, DETROIT NEWS, May 19, 2014 [[link](#)]

Shorter Works and Appearances

Founder & Blogger, EXCESS OF DEMOCRACY, Mar. 2013–present [[link](#)]

Over 600,000 page views and 400,000 unique visitors since launch

Named to the ABA ANNUAL BLAWG 100 in 2014, 2015, 2016, & 2017

Symposium: Leave courts out of presidential elector dispute, SCOTUSBLOG, Apr. 27, 2020 [[link](#)]

Politics as Usual, PUBLIC DISCOURSE, July 7, 2019 [[link](#)]

Symposium: Why not continue the political struggle in partisan-gerrymandering cases?, SCOTUSBLOG, Feb. 5, 2019 [[link](#)]

Diverging Supreme Court Trends May Leave Some Conservatives Out In the Cold, Online Library of Law and Liberty, Liberty Fund, Dec. 20, 2018 [[link](#)]

A Future Justice Kavanaugh and Executive Privilege, Online Library of Law and Liberty, Liberty Fund, July 3, 2018 [\[link\]](#)

Symposium on Gill v. Whitford: No closer to consensus, SCOTUSBLOG, June 18, 2018 [\[link\]](#)

Guest Blogger, PRAWFSBLAWG, Apr.–May 2018 [\[link\]](#); Jan. 2013 [\[link\]](#)

Senate Rules May Not Block Roy Moore, Online Library of Law and Liberty, Liberty Fund, Nov. 15, 2017 [\[link\]](#)

Guest, Tom Donnelly, *The Debate Over President Trump’s Election Commission*, We the People Podcast, National Constitution Center, Jul. 20, 2017 [\[link\]](#)

Federal Power Over Elections and the Twenty-Fourth Amendment, National Constitution Center’s Interactive Constitution, 2017 [\[link\]](#)

The Twenty-Fourth Amendment, National Constitution Center’s Interactive Constitution, 2017 (with Deborah N. Archer) [\[link\]](#)

Guest, *The Kobach fallout on election security*, ELECTION LAW BLOG (Rick Hasen ed.), July 1, 2017 [\[link\]](#)

When bar exam scores go low, discipline rates go high, DAILY JOURNAL, June 7, 2017 (with Rob Anderson IV)

Speech Equality’s Crushing Weight, Online Library of Law and Liberty, Liberty Fund, June 27, 2016 [\[link\]](#)

The Case for More Money in Politics, Online Library of Law and Liberty, Liberty Fund, June 2, 2016 [\[link\]](#)

Guest, *Who Decides If Ted Cruz Is Eligible to Be President?*, ELECTION LAW BLOG (Rick Hasen ed.), Jan. 7, 2016 [\[link\]](#)

Guest, Jeffrey Rosen, *Voting rights on trial in North Carolina*, We the People Podcast, National Constitution Center, Jul. 22, 2015 [\[link\]](#)

One Man, One Vote in Texas, Online Library of Law and Liberty, Liberty Fund, May 29, 2015 [\[link\]](#)

Guest, *Oral Argument*, Episode 61: Minimum Competence, May 15, 2015 [\[link\]](#)

Kerr v. Hickenlooper: *Exploring the Tenth Circuit’s Dubious Legal Reasoning*, JURIST - Forum, Mar. 31, 2014 [\[link\]](#)

Book Review, TARA ROSS, ENLIGHTENED DEMOCRACY, Online Library of Law and Liberty, Liberty Fund, Oct. 16, 2012 [\[link\]](#)

What’s Really Going On in the NFL Head-Injury Lawsuit, Right Field, NATIONAL REVIEW ONLINE, June 7, 2012 [\[link\]](#)

Amicus Briefs

Amicus Curiae Brief of Derek T. Muller in Support of Neither Party, *Chiafalo v. Washington and Colorado Department of State*, S. Ct., 19-465 & 19-518 [\[link\]](#)

Amicus Curiae Brief of Derek T. Muller in Support of Neither Party, *Baca v. Colorado Department of State*, 10th Cir., 18-1173 [\[link\]](#)

Select Presentations

Roundtable Participant, “What If the 2020 Presidential Election is Disputed?”, The Ohio State University Mortiz College of Law, May 4, 2020 (invited)

Panelist, “Electoral College: A Politically Plausible Fix,” The Hyatt Fund, Vanderbilt Law School, February 21, 2020 (invited)

Faculty Workshop Presenter, “Weaponizing the Ballot,” University of Notre Dame Law School, Jan. 28, 2020 (invited)

Speaker, “Weaponizing the Ballot,” Columbia Law School Federalist Society Student Chapter, Jan. 21, 2020

(invited)

Speaker, “The Electoral College, Its History, and Proposals for Reform,” Puget Sound Federalist Society Lawyers Chapter, Dec. 2, 2019 (invited)

Speaker, *From Russia With Love: Foreign Interference in Federal Elections*, University of Washington School of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Dec. 2, 2019 (invited)

Speaker, *From Russia With Love: Foreign Interference in Federal Elections*, University of Oregon School of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Oct. 29, 2019 (invited)

Speaker, “The Electoral College, Its History, and Proposals for Reform,” Willamette University College of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Oct. 28, 2019 (invited)

Panelist, “The Electoral College,” *Harvard Law & Policy Review*, Harvard Law School, Oct. 18–19, 2019 (invited)

Panelist, “Enduring Controversies in Election Law,” The Childress Symposium, ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY LAW JOURNAL, Oct. 10–11, 2019 (invited)

Speaker, “From Russia With Love: Foreign Interference in Federal Elections,” St. Louis University School of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Oct. 10, 2019 (invited)

Faculty Workshop Presenter, “Weaponizing the Ballot,” University of Missouri School of Law, Oct. 9, 2019 (invited)

Speaker, *Partisan Gerrymandering and the Federal Courts*, Seattle University School of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Sept. 30, 2019 (invited)

Participant, Roundtable & Workshop, *Law’s Futures 2.0*, Northwestern Prtizker School of Law, Chicago, Ill., Sept. 27, 2019 (invited)

Panelist, *Supreme Court Preview*, UCLA Hammer Forum, Los Angeles, Calif., Sept. 19, 2019 (invited)

Panelist, *The Supreme Court: Term Review and a Look to the Horizon*, The Claremont Institute, Chapman University Dale E. Fowler School of Law, Orange, Calif., Sept. 14, 2019 (invited)

Presenter, “Behind the Rankings,” LSAC Annual Meeting & Educational Conference, Boston, Mass., May 30, 2019 (invited)

Presenter, “Weaponizing the Ballot,” PEP Talks Research Seminar, Pepperdine University, Malibu, Calif., Jan. 23, 2019

Panelist, “Weaponizing the Ballot,” Seven Minute Works in Progress, 21st Annual Federalist Society Faculty Conference, New Orleans, La., Jan. 3, 2019

Panelist, *Money in Politics*, University of Southern California American Constitution Society Student Chapter, Oct. 22, 2018 (invited)

Panelist, 15th Annual Wiley A. Branton/HOWARD LAW JOURNAL Symposium, Howard University School of Law, Oct. 11, 2018 (invited)

Participant, Roundtable & Workshop, *Law’s Futures: New Institutions for Legal Education*, Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, Calif., Sept. 21, 2018 (invited)

Panelist, *Courts v. Legislators: Who Prevents Redistricting Abuse*, LA Law Library, Los Angeles, Calif., May 3, 2018 (invited)

Speaker, *Gerrymandering and Gill v. Whitford*, University of Houston Federalist Society Student Chapter, Mar. 28, 2018 (invited)

Organizer & Moderator, Symposium, *Federalism: Past, Present, and Future*, PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW in conjunction with The Aspen Institute’s Justice & Society Program, Mar. 23, 2018

Speaker, *Gerrymandering: Supreme Court & A Redistricting Revolution*, Seattle University Federalist Society Student Chapter, Mar. 21, 2018 (invited)

Panelist, “Voter Districts,” *Voting in 2018 and Beyond: Ensuring Access and Accountability of the Ballot in America*, HASTINGS CONSTITUTIONAL LAW QUARTERLY, Jan. 26, 2018 (invited)

Speaker, *Gerrymandering and Gobbledygook: The Future of Wisconsin Redistricting After Gill v. Whitford*, Milwaukee Federalist Society Lawyers Chapter, Dec. 7, 2017 (invited)

Faculty Workshop Presenter, “The Democracy Ratchet,” University of St. Thomas School of Law, Nov. 28, 2017 (invited)

Presenter, “Weaponizing the Ballot,” Eighth Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium, Loyola University Chicago School of Law, Nov. 4, 2017 (paper accepted)

Faculty Workshop Presenter, “The Democracy Ratchet,” University of Iowa College of Law, Nov. 2, 2017 (invited)

Research Roundtable Participant, “The First Amendment in the Regulatory State,” Center for the Study of the Administrative State, Antonin Scalia Law School, George Mason University, Oct. 27, 2017 (invited)

Faculty Workshop Presenter, “The Democracy Ratchet,” University of Notre Dame Law School, Oct. 5, 2017 (invited)

Discussant, “Reforming the Presidential Nomination Process,” Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, Boca Raton, Fla., Aug. 3, 2017

Panelist, “Supreme Court Term in Review,” Houston Federalist Society Lawyers Chapter, July 25, 2017 (invited)

Speaker, “A Calm After the Storm: Reflections on the Electoral College, Presidential Elections, and the Framers’ Constitution,” Hillsdale College Federalist Society Student Chapter, Apr. 20, 2017 (invited)

Debate Participant, “The Merits of the Electoral College,” University of Illinois College of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Apr. 19, 2017 (invited)

Moderator, “Religious Critiques of Lawyers and Legal Education,” Religious Critiques of the Law, Nootbaar Institute on Law, Religion, and Ethics Annual Conference, Pepperdine University School of Law, Mar. 10, 2017

Panelist, “Redistricting Reform: Mapping our Future,” Common Cause, Duke University Sanford School of Public Policy, Mar. 2–3, 2017 (invited)

Moderator, “Judicial and Practitioner Perspectives on ADR,” Synergy: Flexibility as Key to a Successful ADR Practice, PEPPERDINE DISPUTE RESOLUTION LAW JOURNAL, Feb. 10, 2017

Panelist, “Forty Years Later: The Brennan Article and State Constitutions,” Annual Western Chapters Conference, Federalist Society, Simi Valley, Calif., Jan. 28, 2017 (invited)

Faculty Workshop Presenter, “The Democracy Ratchet,” The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, Jan. 25, 2017 (invited)

Panelist, “Lessons from the 2016 Elections (and Implications for the Future),” Section on Election Law, Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, San Francisco, Calif., Jan. 5, 2017 (invited)

Moderator, “Election Day Technology,” Election 2016 Conference, Pepperdine University School of Public Policy, Oct. 14, 2016 (invited)

Presenter, “Election Law Forum,” FORDHAM LAW REVIEW, Sept. 30, 2016 (paper accepted)

Speaker, “Three Ways the Electoral College Can Stop Trump and Clinton” The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Sept. 27, 2016 University of Dayton School of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Sept. 28, 2016 University of Cincinnati College of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Sept. 29, 2016

Speaker, “From Adams v. Jefferson to Trump v. Clinton: Presidential Elections and the Framers’ Constitution,” Constitution Day, Westmont College, Santa Barbara, Calif., Sept. 19, 2016 (invited)

Panelist, “Election Law—Today and Beyond,” WASHBURN LAW JOURNAL, Feb. 25, 2016 (invited)

Panelist, “Election Law Issues in Texas,” Texas A&M University School of Law, Nov. 18, 2015 (invited)

Speaker, “The Three Texas Election Law Cases You Should Know About,” Dallas Federalist Society Lawyers Chapter, Nov. 18, 2015 (invited)

Panelist, “Campaign and Election Law,” Federal Election Commission, UCLA School of Law, Oct. 22, 2015 (invited)

Moderator, “Cutting Through the Thicket: Can We Untangle Redistricting for the Courts?,” Redistricting Reform: Mapping Our Future, Common Cause, George Washington University Law School, Oct. 7, 2015 (invited)

Presenter, “Roundtable on the Voting Rights Act at 50,” Law & Political Process Study Group, American Political Science Association, Sept. 3-6, 2015 (invited)

Panelist & Moderator, “The Law of Democracy at a Crossroads: Reflecting on Fifty Years of Voting Rights and the Judicial Regulation of the Political Thicket,” FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW, Mar. 28, 2015 (invited)

Commentator, Damon Root, OVERRULED: THE LONG WAR FOR CONTROL OF THE U.S. SUPREME COURT, Los Angeles Federalist Society Lawyers Chapter, Mar. 11, 2015 (invited)

Moderator, “Perspectives on Federal Power Under the Reconstruction Amendments,” Section on Constitutional Law, Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., Jan. 5, 2015

Panelist, “Virgin Islands Election Law: Emerging Issues and Overview” and “Federalism and the Courts of the U.S. Virgin Islands: From *Erie* to the Revised Organic Act to Superior Court Rule 7,” United States Virgin Islands Bar Association Annual Meeting & CLE Seminar, St. Thomas, V.I., Dec. 12, 2014 (invited)

Presenter, “Ballot Speech,” Fifth Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium, Loyola University Chicago School of Law, Nov. 7, 2014 (paper accepted)

Panelist, “Judicial Appointments vs. Judicial Elections vs. Mixed Systems,” American Constitution Society Southern California Regional Conference, Southwestern Law School, Oct. 26, 2014 (invited)

Speaker, “Isn’t Money Speech? Campaign Finance Law and the First Amendment,” University of New Mexico School of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Oct. 24, 2014

Panelist, “Employment and Student Well-Being,” Religiously Affiliated Law Schools Conference, University of St. Thomas School of Law, Minneapolis, Minn., Sept. 19, 2014 (invited)

Speaker, “Can Texas Regulate Elections Again? The Voting Rights Act After *Shelby County*” University of Houston Law Center Federalist Society Student Chapter, Mar. 4, 2014 South Texas College of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Mar. 4, 2014

Moderator, “Liberalism, Post-Liberalism, and Law,” Love and Law, Nootbaar Institute on Law, Religion, and Ethics Annual Conference, Pepperdine University School of Law, Feb. 7, 2014

Panelist, “Voting Rights Under Fire? The Value of a Vote Post-*Shelby County*,” Anti-Defamation League and the Orange County Bar Association, Newport Beach, Calif., Jan. 28, 2014 (invited)

Panelist, “From *McReynolds* to *Shelby County* and Beyond: Voting Rights and the Court,” Section on Legislation & Law of the Political Process, Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, New York, N.Y., Jan. 3, 2014 (invited)

Panelist, “Voting Rights Act,” Gender, Race, Identity & the Law in our Lives, California State University Northridge, Oct. 15, 2013 (invited)

Speaker, “Can States Regulate Elections Again? The Voting Rights Act After *Shelby County*” University of Notre Dame Law School Federalist Society Student Chapter, Sept. 4, 2013 Valparaiso University Law School Federalist Society Student Chapter, Sept. 4, 2013

Indiana University–Bloomington School of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Sept. 5, 2013

Panelist, “Judicial Decisionmaking and Election Administration: The Role of the Courts in the 2012 Election,” Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, Palm Beach, Fla., Aug. 7, 2013

Moderator, “Adoption Trends: Causes and Solutions,” Intercountry Adoption: Orphan Rescue or Child Trafficking?, Nootbaar Institute on Law, Religion, and Ethics Annual Conference, Pepperdine University School of Law, Feb. 8, 2013

Speaker, “Aren’t Corporations People? *Citizens United*, Political Speech, and the First Amendment,” The Pennsylvania State University Dickinson School of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Jan. 31, 2013

Presenter, “Federalism and Constitutional Ballot Eligibility,” Third Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium, Loyola University Chicago School of Law, Nov. 2, 2012 (paper accepted)

Speaker, “Is the Electoral College on Death’s Door?,” Wayne State University Federalist Society Student Chapter, Oct. 31, 2012

Speaker, “Isn’t Money Speech? Election Law and the First Amendment,” University of Hawai’i School of Law Federalist Society Student Chapter, Sept. 24, 2012

Panelist, Fourth Annual Aspiring Law Professors Conference, Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law, Arizona State University, Sept. 15, 2012 (invited)

Presenter, Young Election Law Scholars Workshop, Loyola Law School Los Angeles, Sept. 13, 2012

Panelist, “Concussion in Sports and Complex Litigation,” The Dark Side of Entertainment and Sports Law, TEXAS REVIEW OF ENTERTAINMENT & SPORTS LAW, The University of Texas School of Law, Sept. 7, 2012 (invited)

Moderator, “Who Should Influence Whom?,” The Competing Claims of Law and Religion, Nootbaar Institute on Law, Religion, and Ethics Annual Conference, Pepperdine University School of Law, Feb. 24, 2012

Panelist, “WikiLeaks: International Implications,” Graduate Student Forum, College of Communications, The Pennsylvania State University, Jan. 26, 2011 (invited)

Other Experience

Legal Intern, Blackstone Fellow, Summer 2005
Center for Arizona Policy, Scottsdale, Ariz.

Court Clerk, Summers & Winters 2000–2004
44th District Court of the State of Michigan, Royal Oak, Mich.

Professional Service and Bar Admission

Bar of the State of Illinois, 2007–present (active, registration no. 6294488)

Section on Election Law, Association of American Law Schools
Executive Board, 2017–2018 & 2019–present

Section on Constitutional Law, Association of American Law Schools
Executive Board, 2012–2016
Co-Chair, 2014

Judging Panelist
Common Cause Democracy Prize Competition, Spring 2015 & 2016

Peer Consult/Review
OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS, Fall 2018

YALE LAW JOURNAL, Spring 2018
JOURNAL OF POLITICS, Summer 2014

Advisor, PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW, 2012–2013

University of Iowa College of Law

Judicial Clerkship Committee, 2020–present
Internal Procedures Committee, 2020–present
Intellectual Life Committee, 2020–present

Pepperdine University School of Law

Judicial Clerkship Committee, 2013–2019; launched committee to improve quality and quantity of clerkship placement; for the Classes of 2015–2018, placed more than 50 students into more than 60 clerkships, including more than 45 federal clerkships and more than 15 federal appellate clerkships

Faculty advisor, Habeas Ludus (student tabletop game club), 2015–2019

Chair, Faculty Appointments Committee, 2018–2019

Director of Institutional Data Analytics, 2018–2019

Assistant Dean of Career Development Search Committee, 2018

Academic Standards Committee, 2011–2012, 2017–2018

Dean Search Committee, 2016–2017

Faculty Resources & Cost Impact Evaluation Committee, 2016–2017

Spiritual Formation Committee, 2013–2017

Academic Dismissal Hearing Committee, 2016

Curriculum Committee, 2012–2013, 2014–2016

Sustainability & Enrollment Task Force, 2015–2016

Bar Exam Data Analytics Task Force, 2015

Faculty Resources Committee, 2013–2014

Veterans Recruitment Task Force, 2012–2013

Benediction offered as a part of platform party at commencement, May 15, 2015

Data & Metrics Reports and Presentations

Relationship Between Incoming Student Predictors, Course Selection, and Bar Exam Performance (customized evaluation and data visualizations of internal metrics, including law student predictors, law student law grade point averages, bar exam performance, course-specific performance, bar exam content performance, and bar exam component performance)

Pepperdine Law Administration, draft report circulated Jan. 2019

Bar Exam Empirical Data (customized evaluation and data visualizations of internal metrics, including enrollment trends, school-wide bar passage data, historic bar pass data, local and national bar passage trends, and course content and coverage)

Pepperdine Law Board of Visitors, Feb. 2016

Pepperdine Law Faculty, Dec. 2015

Sustainability & Enrollment Task Force Report (customized evaluation and data visualizations of internal metrics, including admissions projections, scholarship trends, legal education market demand, and tuition projections)

Pepperdine Law Faculty, Aug. 2015

Challenges and Opportunities Facing Pepperdine University School of Law (customized evaluation and data visualizations of internal metrics, including admissions strategies, bar passage rates, and employment outcomes)

Pepperdine Law Board of Visitors, Mar. 2015

Pepperdine Law Faculty, Jan. 2015

Pepperdine Law Dean's Meeting, Dec. 2014

The Federalist Society for Law & Public Policy Studies

Executive Committee, Free Speech & Election Law Practice Group, 2016–present
Member, 2004–present

Hillsdale College Alumni Executive Board, 2012–2014
Career Development Committee, 2012–2014

Certificate, Data Visualization and Infographics with D3 (non-credit online course completed Apr. 26, 2015, through the Knight Center for Journalism in the Americas, the University of Texas at Austin)

Personal

AYSO Soccer Head Coach

- Fall 2016, Under-6 Co-ed team: Jaguars
- Fall 2015, Under-7 Girls team: Mighty Grapes
- Fall 2014, Under-6 Girls team: Sunshine Lollipops
- Fall 2013, Under-7 Boys team: Electric Pirates

Native of Royal Oak, Michigan; valedictorian, Shrine Catholic High School (2000)

Member, Pacific Crossroads Church, Santa Monica, Calif.

Interests: Italian cooking, running, Romantic period poetry, Notre Dame football, tabletop games