

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education:

LL.M., Harvard Law School, 1983
Ph.D., Harvard University, 1980
J.D., Boston College Law School, 1978
A.M., Harvard University, 1972
B.A., City College of New York, 1968

Employment:

Professor of Law and Roger and Karen Jones Faculty Scholar, State University Of New York at Buffalo	2004-present
Visiting Scholar, Charles Warren Center for Studies in American History, Harvard University	2003-2004
Professor of Law, State University of New York at Buffalo	1989-present
Associate Professor of Law	1983-1989
Harvard Law School Langdell Fellow	1982-1983
Vermont Public Service Commission Counsel, Division of Public Advocacy	1981-1982
New England Regional Energy Project Counsel	1980-1981

Vermont Legal Services Attorney	1978-1980
Harvard University Teaching Fellow	1976-1978
Boston College Lecturer in History	1973-1975

Ph.D. Diss:

The Development of a Liberal Theory of State Intervention in the Economy in England, 1921-1936 (Ph.D. Diss., Harvard University, 1980)

Books:

The People as Problem: Conflicting Visions of Constitutional Order and the Emergence of American Judicial Review (Work in Progress)

Coercion, Contract, and Free Labor in the Nineteenth Century (Cambridge University Press, 2001)

The Invention of Free Labor: The Employment Relation in English and American Law and Culture (The University of North Carolina Press, 1991)

Articles, Book Chapters, and Reviews:

"The Early Anti-Majoritarian Rationale for Judicial Review," in Transformations in American Legal History: Essays in Honor of Professor Morton J. Horwitz (Daniel Hamilton and Alfred Brophy, eds., Harvard University Press, February, 2010)

"Suffrage and the Terms of Labor," in Human Capital and Institutions: A Long Run View (David Eltis, Frank Lewis, and Kenneth Sokoloff, eds., Cambridge University Press, 2009)

Book Review: Law and Judicial Duty: The Origins of Judicial Review, by Philip Hamburger (Harvard U. Press, 2008) Law and History Review (Forthcoming)

Book Review: Caught in the Machinery: Workplace Accidents and Injured Workers in Nineteenth Century Britain, by Jamie L. Bronstein (Stanford U. Press, 2007), 27 Law and History Review 211 (Spring, 2009)

Book Review: Governments, Labour, and the Law in Mid-Victorian Britain, by Mark Curthoys (Oxford, 2004), 25 Law and History Review 662 (Fall, 2007)

Book Review: Masters, Servants, and Magistrates in Britain and the Empire, 1562-1955, by Douglas Hay & Paul Craven (UNC Press, 2004), 25 Law and History Review 412 (Summer, 2007)

Book Review: Constituting Empire: New York and the Transformation of Constitutionalism in the Atlantic World, 1664-1830, by Daniel J. Hulsebosch (Chapel Hill, University of North Carolina Press, 2005), 45 Journal of British Studies 900 (Oct., 2006)

"Free Wage Labor and the Suffrage in Nineteenth Century England," in 123 Zeitschrift der Savigny-Stiftung für Rechtsgeschichte (Germanistische Abteilung) 266 (2006)

Book Review: Republic of Debtors: Bankruptcy in the Age of American Independence, by Bruce H. Mann (Harvard University Press, 2002), 63 The Journal of Economic History 895 (Sept., 2003)

Book Review: Reinventing Free Labor: Padrones and Immigrant Workers in the North American West, 1880-1930, by Gunther Peck (Cambridge U. Press, 2000), 21 Law and History Review 633 (Fall, 2003)

"Coercion, Contract and Free Labor: A Reply to Gunther Peck," 51 Buffalo Law Review 893 (Summer, 2003)

Book Review: Boycott in America: How Imagination and Ideology Shape the Legal Mind, by Gary Minda (Southern Ill. U. Press, 1999), 20 Law and History Review 437 (Summer, 2002)

"Freedom of Contract and Freedom of Person: A History of 'Involuntary Servitude' in American Fundamental Law" in Republicanism and Liberalism in America and the German States, 1750-1850 (Jürgen Heideking and James A. Henretta, eds., Cambridge University Press, 2002)

"Subjectship, Citizenship, and the Long History of Immigration Regulation," 19 Law and History Review 645 (Fall, 2001)

Book Review: Disowning Slavery: Gradual Emancipation and 'Race' in New England, 1780-1860, by Joanne Pope Melish (Cornell U. Press, 1998), 18 Law and History Review 470 (Summer, 2000)

"Changing Legal Conceptions of Free Labor," in The Terms of Labor: Slavery, Serfdom, and Free Labor (Stanley Engerman, ed., Stanford University Press, 1999)

Book Review: The People's Welfare: Law and Regulation in Nineteenth Century America, by William Novak (U. of North Carolina Press, 1996), 55 William and Mary Quarterly 194 (Jan., 1998)

Book Review: Lawyers Against Labor: From Individual Rights to Corporate Liberalism, by Daniel Ernst (U. of Ill. Press, 1995), 102 The American Historical Review 545 (April, 1997)

"Labor--Free or Coerced? An Historical Reassessment of Differences and Similarities," co-authored with Stanley L. Engerman in Free and Unfree Labour: The Debate Continues (Peter Lang, AG, Berne, Switz., 1997)

Book Review: Law, Labor, and Ideology In The Early American Republic, by Christopher Tomlins (Cambridge U.Press, 1992), 52 William and Mary Quarterly 567 (July, 1995)

Book Review: Law and the Shaping of the American Labor Movement, by William Forbath (Harvard U. Press, 1991), 34 Labor History 129 (Winter, 1993)

"Property and Suffrage in the Early American Republic," reprinted in A Property Anthology, Richard Chused, ed. (Anderson Publishing Co., 1993).

"The Struggle Over Alternative Legal Constructions of a Free Market in Labor: The Philadelphia Cordwainers' Case of 1806" in Labor Law In America: Historical and Critical Essays, Tomlins and King, eds. (Johns Hopkins University Press, 1992)

"Property and Suffrage in the Early American Republic" 41 Stanford Law Review 335 (Jan., 1989)

Papers Presented:

"Early State Constitution Making and the Emergence of American Judicial Review," to be presented at the University of Toronto Legal History Workshop, March, 2010

"The Early Anti-Majoritarian Rationale for Judicial Review," presented at a Festschrift conference for Professor Morton Horwitz held at Harvard Law School, September, 2008

"Coercion/Consent in Labor Relations," a lecture presented at the Centre on Migration, Policy and Society, St. Anne's College, University of Oxford, UK, June 30, 2008

"Making Women Work, a Comment," presented at the Berkshire Women's History Conference, Minneapolis, Minn., June 13, 2008

"A brief Historiographical Introduction to the Question of Waged Labor," presented at the Annual European Social Science History Conference, Lisbon, Portugal, 26 Feb.-1 March, 2008

"The Problem of Waged Labor II," presented at a conference entitled *Making Markets* held at the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris, France, October 13-14, 2007

"The Problem of Wage Labor," presented at a conference entitled *Making Markets* held at the Harvard Law School, September 29-October 1, 2006

"Constitutional Structure and Property Rights: Britain and the United States in Comparative Perspective," presented at a conference entitled *Historicizing Capitalism* held at the Baldy Center of the State University of New York at Buffalo, School of Law, October 29-31, 2005

"Property Rights, and the Origins of Judicial Review in the Age of the Revolution," presented to the Cornell Law School Friday Faculty Forum, April, 2004

"Escape from Popular Politics: Political Conflict, Property Rights, and the Origins of Judicial Review in the Age of the Revolution," presented to the Charles Warren Center for Studies in American History Seminar, Harvard University, March, 2004

Chair and Discussant: "Contract & Coercion: The Struggle to Control Labor by Law," annual meeting of the Social Science History Association, Baltimore, Md., November, 2003

"Suffrage and the Terms of Labor," presented at the annual meeting of the American Historical Association, Chicago, Ill., January, 2003

"Free Labor in Modern American Constitutional Law," presented at a Conference on "Freedom" held at the University of Rochester, October, 2001

"Time on The Cross and the History of Free Labor," presented at a Festschrift Conference Held in Honor of Stanley Engerman, June, 2001

"Strict Contract Enforcement in Nineteenth Century English Wage Labor," presented to the Faculty Economic History Seminar at the University of Toronto, 1998

"Changing Legal Conceptions of Free Labor," presented at The Center for the History of Freedom, Washington University, St. Louis, May, 1997

"Changing Laws Regarding Free Labor" presented at The Center for The History of Freedom, Washington University, St. Louis October, 1996

"The Constitution of Free Labor: A History of the Interpretation of 'Involuntary Servitude in American Fundamental Law" presented at a conference sponsored by the German Historical Institute and held at the University of Wisconsin, Madison October, 1996

"The Myth of the Rise of Free Labor: A Critique of Historical Stage Theory," presented at the Yale Legal History Forum January 31, 1995.

"Labor--Free or Coerced? An Historical Reassessment of Differences and Similarities," coauthored with Stanley L. Engerman and presented at "Free and Unfree Labour" a conference sponsored by the International Institute of Social History held in Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 13-14 January, 1995.

"The Myth of the Rise of Free Labor" presented at Boston University Law School, April 11, 1994

"English Wage Labor in the Nineteenth Century: Free or Coerced?" presented at "Confronting the Past: Unfree Labour as an Historical Phenomenon and a Modern Problem" a conference held at Darwin College, Cambridge, England, March 28-30, 1994

"Law in the Construction of Wage Labor and Peonage," presented at North American Labor History Conference (October, 1993)

"The New Labor History," presented at the annual meeting of the Law and Society Association (May, 1992)

"Where Should Critical Legal History Go From Here," presented at the annual meeting of the Conference on Critical Legal Studies (April, 1992)

"The Constitutional Status of Unfree Wage Labor in the late Nineteenth Century," presented at the annual meeting of the Organization of American Historians (March, 1992)

"Writing Critical Legal History," presented at the annual meeting of the Social Science History Association (October, 1991)

"The Disappearance of Indentured Servitude In the United States," presented at a seminar on labor economics at The University of Rochester (1990)

"Early Modern Wage labor as Unfree Labor," presented at the Annual Meeting of The American Society for Legal History (1990)

"The Early Labor Conspiracy Cases," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association (1990)

"The Struggle over Alternative Legal Constructions of a Free Market In Labor: The Early Labor Conspiracy Cases," presented at a conference on "Historical and Critical Perspectives on Labor Law In America" held at Johns Hopkins University (1990)

"The Political Economy of the Early Labor Conspiracy Cases," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Conference on Critical Legal Studies (1988)

"Paupers and the Suffrage," presented at the Annual Meeting of The Law and Society Association (1987)

"Early Modern Master and Servant Law," presented at the Institute for Legal Studies, The University of Wisconsin Law School (1986).

Editorial Boards:

Labor: Studies in Working-Class History
Of the Americas (2006-present)

Law And History Review (1993-present)

Professional Affiliations:

American Society for Legal History

Grants, Awards, and Honors:

Visiting Scholar Charles Warren Center for Studies in American History (Harvard University, 2003-2004)

CALI Fellow in Property Law (June, 2000- June, 2001)

Fellow, Max-Planck-Institut Für Europäische Rechtsgeschichte (Frankfurt, Germany) (1999) (declined)

Grantee, Magavern Pool, State University of New York at Buffalo (1994,1997,2003)

Fellow, Internationaal Instituut Voor Sociale Geschiedenis (Amsterdam, The Netherlands) (1996-1997) declined

Fellow, National Endowment For The Humanities (1988)

Grantee, Magavern Pool, State University of New York at Buffalo (1987)

Langdell Fellow, Harvard Law School (1982-83)

Traveling Fellow, Harvard University (Dept. of History) (1976)

Presidential Scholar, Boston College Law School (1975-78)

NDEA Title IV Fellow, Harvard University (1968-71)

Phi Beta Kappa (1968)

Faculty Service

Chair, Mitchell Lecture Committee (2007)

Admissions Committee (2005-2006; 2006-2007; 2007-2008)

Academic Policy and Program Committee (2005-2006; 2007-2010)

Law Library Committee (2005-2006; 2007-2010), Co-Chair (2009)