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Academic Positions

University at Buffalo School of Law, State University of New York, Associate Professor of Law (Research Professor, Department of Political Science), Fall 2020-
Subjects: Patent Law, Intellectual Property Law, Civil Procedure, Property, Empirical Legal Methods

Columbia University, Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences and Political Science, Adjunct Assistant Professor/Lecturer, 2018-2020

Princeton University, Center for the Study of Democratic Politics, Postdoctoral Research Associate, 2015-2018

Yale Law School, Information Society Project, Non-Resident Visiting Fellow, 2014-2016

Dartmouth College, Department of Government, Lecturer, 2014-2015

Education

Columbia University, M.A., 2008; M. Phil., 2010; Ph.D., 2015 (Political Science)

Harvard Law School, J.D., 2000
Honors: Cum laude; Board of Student Advisors

Dartmouth College, A.B. in Government and History, 1997
Honors: Summa cum laude; Phi Beta Kappa

Publications

“Overqualified and Underrepresented: Gender Inequality in the Pharmaceutical Patent Field,” with S. Sean Tu and Paul Gugliuzza, 48 *BYU Law Review* 137 (October 2022)

“Statutory Interpretation and *Chevron* Deference in the Appellate Courts: An Empirical Analysis” *UC Irvine Law Review* 12:2 (February 2022)

“Presidential Control and Immigration Detention” with Catherine Kim, *Duke Law Journal* 69:8 (May 2020) (invited symposium)

“An Empirical Study of Political Control Over Immigration Adjudication” with Catherine Kim, *Georgetown Law Journal* 108:2 (February 2020)

“An Empirical Examination of Agency Statutory Interpretation,” *Minnesota Law Review* 103:5 (April 2019)

- Feature of Jotwell post by Christopher Walker (February 28, 2019), available at <https://adlaw.jotwell.com/looking-inside-multi-member-agency-statutory-interpretation/>

“Specialized Trial Courts in Patent Litigation: A Review of the Patent Pilot Program’s Impact on Appellate Reversal Rates at the Five-Year Mark,” *Boston College Law Review* 60:2 (February 2019)

“Judicial Elections, Public Opinion, and Decisions on Lower Salience Issues” with Brandice Canes-Wrone and Tom Clark, *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies* 15:4 (December 2018)

“Political Decision Making at the National Labor Relations Board: An Empirical Examination of the Board’s Decisions through the Clinton and Bush Years,” *Berkeley Journal of Employment and Labor Law* 37:2 (Spring 2016)

“*Bush v. Gore* in the American Mind: Reflections and Survey Results on the Tenth Anniversary of the Decision Ending the 2000 Election Controversy” with Nathaniel Persily and Stephen Ansolabehere, published in *ELECTION REFORM IN THE UNITED STATES: THE STATE OF REFORM AFTER BUSH V. GORE*, edited by R. Michael Alvarez and Bernard Grofman (Cambridge University Press 2014)

Working Papers

“The Patent Law Database” (forthcoming)

“The PTAB After Ten Years: An Empirical Assessment of Its Role in Patent Disputes” (forthcoming)

“Patent Disputes: A Comparative Study of Outcomes in the PTAB and District Courts” (forthcoming)

“Gaming the Patent System: How Venue Choice Shapes Litigation Outcomes” (draft)

“Settlements in Patent Disputes: Navigating District Court and PTAB Dynamics” (data analysis nearing completion)

“Putting AI Patents to the Test: Courts, Validity, and New Frontiers” (draft)

“The Legacy of *eBay*: An Empirical Analysis of Injunctive Relief Two Decades Later” (data analysis underway for 20th anniversary of *ebay* decision in 2026)

“A Data-Driven Analysis of Bond Decisions in the Immigration Cases” (draft)

“Appointed to Deport: How Executive Appointees Shape Removal Decisions in Immigration Courts” (data analysis underway)

Original Legal Databases Compiled or Under Construction

Patent district court caselaw database: 2000-2025

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Patent Trial and Appeal Board database: 2012-2025

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit caselaw database: 2012-2025

Immigration court database compiled using Executive Office for Immigration Review records: 1951-2025

National Labor Relations Board caselaw database: 1993-2016

National Labor Relations Board appellate caselaw database: 1994-2018

State supreme court environmental caselaw database: 1990-2014

Teaching Experience

University at Buffalo School of Law, SUNY, Fall 2020-

- 501LEC: Civil Procedure (Spring 2022 (81 students), Fall 2022 (71 students), Fall 2023 (66 students), Fall 2024 (78 students), Fall 2025)
- 507LEC: Property Law (Spring 2021 (84 students), Spring 2022 (54 students))
- 696LEC: Intellectual Property Law (Spring 2021 (24 students), Fall 2022 (38 students), Fall 2023 (20 students))
- 746LEC: Patent Law (Fall 2020 (11 students), Fall 2021 (20 students), Spring 2024 (14 students), Fall 2024 (7 students), Fall 2025)
- 869SEM: Empirical Legal Methods (Spring 2025) (11 students))

Columbia University, Quantitative Methods in Social Science, Fall 2018-Spring 2020

- GS 4010: Theories of Quantitative Methods (Fall 2018, Fall 2019)
- GS 5015: Data Analysis and Methods (Spring 2019, Spring 2020)

Dartmouth College, Government Department, Fall 2014-Spring 2015

- GOVT 3: The American Political System (Spring 2015)
- GOVT 10: Quantitative Political Analysis (Fall 2014, Spring 2015)
- GOVT 34: Congress and the American Political System (Winter 2015)

Columbia University, Teaching Assistant, Political Science Department, Fall 2008-Spring 2013

Harvard Law School, Legal Reasoning and Argument Instructor for First Year Legal Writing Program, Board of Student Advisors, Fall 1998-Spring 2000

Legal Experience

Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP, Litigation & Intellectual Property Senior Associate, New York, NY, Summer 2000 & 2001-2007: Extensive experience in all aspects of trial preparation, including writing briefs, conducting depositions, working with expert witnesses, and handling discovery; Member of on-site trial team for a two-month patent litigation bench trial in

N.D.W.Va.

The Honorable Paul Michel, Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, Washington D.C., 2000-2001

Arnold & Porter LLP, Washington D.C., Summer Associate, Summer 1999

Ballard, Spahr, Andrews & Ingersoll LLP, Philadelphia, PA, Summer Associate, Summer 1998, 1999

Service

Discover UB Undergraduate Scholars Program, instructor for 2 classes: 2025

University of Buffalo School of Law, Bar Exam Preparation, Property Review: 2023-2025

Center for the Protection of Intellectual Property, "Adapting the Law to Major Technological Shifts: Webinair on AI and IP," Panelist for WIPO Summer School: 2024

Baldy Center for Law and Social Policy, University at Buffalo School of Law, Grant reviewer for faculty and graduate student funding: 2022-2025

Appointments Committee (elected), University at Buffalo School of Law: 2024-2026

Pedagogy Committee, University at Buffalo School of Law: 2023-2024 (co-chair), 2024-2026 (member)

Career Services Committee, University at Buffalo School of Law: 2021-2024

Admissions Committee, University at Buffalo School of Law: 2021-2023

Coach, University at Buffalo School of Law, United States Patent and Trademark Office Patent Drafting Competition: Advised UB team of four students in preparing for the national patent drafting competition: 2020-2024

Administrative Conference of the United States (ACUS), *Patent Small Claims Court*: 2022-2023

Administrative Conference of the United States (ACUS), *Nationwide Injunctions and Federal Regulatory Programs*: 2021-2022

Panelist, Deconstructing *Dobbs*: The Meaning and Implications of Overturning *Roe v. Wade*: 2023

Panelist, Entertainment Law Symposium organized by the Black Law Students Association: 2023

Judge, Desmond Moot Court Competition: 2022

Fellowships/Grants

Baldy Center for Law & Social Policy, University at Buffalo, Research Support for projects involving intellectual property law decision making as well as diversity and inclusion issues in patent and innovation law: 2020-2024 (\$2500-3000 annually)

Honors

Scholar, Intellectual Property Policy Institute, University of Akron School of Law, 2025- (successor to Center for the Protection of Intellectual Property)

Scholar, Center for the Protection of Intellectual Property, Antonin Scalia School of Law, George Mason University: 2022-2024

Thomas Edison Innovation Law and Policy Fellow, Center for the Protection of Intellectual Property, Antonin Scalia School of Law, George Mason University: 2021-2022

Conference Presentations

Intellectual Property Scholars Conference: 2017, 2020-2025

Works in Progress Intellectual Property Conference: 2021-2025

PATCON, Annual Patent Law Conference: 2017, 2018, 2022-2023, 2025

American Law and Economics Association Annual Conference: 2015, 2017-2019, 2024

Mid-Atlantic Patent Law Conference: 2023, 2025

Annual Civil Procedure Conference: 2022, 2024

Conference on Empirical Legal Studies: 2011, 2017, 2022

Law and Society Association Annual Conference: 2014, 2015, 2022-2024

IP and Innovation Law Conference, Suffolk Law School: 2023

Junior Intellectual Property Scholars Association Annual Conference: 2020-2024

AALS Annual Conference: Emerging Voices in Intellectual Property Law: 2022, 2025

AALS Annual Conference, New Voices in Administrative Law or Legislation: 2016, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2025

Administrative Law New Scholarship Roundtable, Yale Law School: 2021

Three Rivers Intellectual Property Law Conference: 2022, 2023

Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Conference: 2021

Intellectual Property Owners Association June 2021 Meeting: 2021 (invited speaker)

The American Invents Act @ Ten Years: The 17th Annual Symposium on Emerging Intellectual Property Issues, Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law: 2021 (invited speaker)

The 18th Annual Works-in-Progress Intellectual Property Law Colloquium: 2021

Engelberg Center on Innovation Law & Policy, Tri-State Region IP Workshop, New York University School of Law: 2021

IP Speaker Series, George Washington University Law School: 2020 (invited speaker)

Webcast, Syracuse University College of Law, Technology Law Program, Intellectual Property Law Institute: 2020 (invited interviewee)

Charting the New World of Administrative Adjudication, *Duke Law Journal* 50th Annual Administrative Law Symposium: 2020 (invited speaker)

Empirical Methods in IP Conference: 2017

Quantlaw Conference, University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law: 2016, 2017

American Political Science Association Annual Conference: 2015-2017, 2023

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference: 2011-2014, 2016-2018

Political Networks Conference: 2016

Society of Political Methodology Annual Conference: 2016

Short Writings/Blog Posts/News Articles

“Bad Copyright Friend: When Can’t Art Imitate Life,” *Law360*, October 8, 2021 (quoted)

“Federal Circuit Short on Promised Patent Pleading Clarity,” *Bloomberg Law*, July 14, 2021 (quoted)

“Pilot Program’s End Likely to Affect Whether Patent Owners Sue,” *Bloomberg Law*, March 9, 2021 (quoted)
Administrative Law in the Common Law Blog (invited post on NLRB statutory interpretation) (January 24, 2019)

Reviewer

Journal of Law, Economics and Organization, American Journal of Political Science, Journal of Politics, Journal of Law and Courts, Law and Society Review, Duke Law Journal, Stanford Law Review, Northwestern University Law Review (empirical issue), Yale Law Journal, National Science Foundation