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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA, Gainesville, FL
Associate Professor of Law, Levin College of Law (2026-present)
Assistant Professor of Law, Levin College of Law (2023-2026)
Courtesy Affiliate Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science (2024-present)

EDUCATION

HARVARD UNIVERSITY, Cambridge, MA
J.D., *cum laude*
Ph.D. in Political Science
M.A. in Statistics

YALE UNIVERSITY, New Haven, CT
M.A. in International Relations

EMORY UNIVERSITY, Atlanta, GA
M.A. in History
B.A. in International Studies and History, *summa cum laude*

CLERKSHIPS

Judge Barbara Lagoa
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, Miami, FL

Judge Beth Bloom
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida, Miami, FL

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Jury Research

How Criminal Law Exploits Jury Ignorance, 52 *BYU LAW REVIEW* ____ (2027) (forthcoming).

Rethinking Jury Selection, 78 *FLORIDA LAW REVIEW* ____ (2026) (forthcoming).

Experimental Jurisprudence

Restoring Public Trust in Elections: An Empirical Study of How Campaign Finance Reform Can Restore Public Trust in Elections, 12 *TEXAS A&M LAW REVIEW* 1101 (2025) ([link](#)).

The Elected Judge, 56 *ARIZONA STATE LAW JOURNAL* 1691 (2024) ([link](#)).

For Appearance's Sake: An Empirical Study of Public Perceptions of Ethical Dilemmas in the Legal Profession, 83 *OHIO STATE LAW JOURNAL* 529 (2022) ([link](#)).

* AALS Fred C. Zacharias Memorial Prize for Scholarship in Professional Responsibility

* Davis Polk Legal Profession Paper Prize

* Reviewed in Rebecca Roiphe, *So It Seems*, JOTWELL: THE JOURNAL OF THINGS WE LIKE (LOTS), Jul. 12, 2023.

Legalization and Norm Internalization: An Empirical Study of International Human Rights Commitments Eliciting Public Support for Compliance, 7 JOURNAL OF LAW AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS 338 (2019) ([link](#)).

Public and Elite Opinion on International Human Rights Law: Completing the Causal Chain of the Domestic Compliance Mechanism, 18 JOURNAL OF HUMAN RIGHTS 419 (2019) (peer-reviewed) ([link](#)).

Reputation and Compliance with International Human Rights Law: Experimental Evidence from the U.S. and South Korea, 19 JOURNAL OF EAST ASIAN STUDIES 215 (2019) (peer-reviewed) ([link](#)).

Rulers or Rules? International Law, Elite Cues and Public Opinion, 30 EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 1281 (2019) (with Professors Beth Simmons and Anton Strezhnev) (peer-reviewed) ([link](#)).

Criminal Law

Exclusionary Rule and Judicial Integrity: An Empirical Study of Public Perceptions of the Exclusionary Rule, 87 MISSOURI LAW REVIEW 1061 (2022) ([link](#)).

* Stephen L. Werner Prize

Redesigning Restorative Justice for Criminal Justice Reform, 88 TENNESSEE LAW REVIEW 947 (2022) ([link](#)).

Public Perceptions of Corporate Criminal Sanctions: An Empirical Study of the Reputational Impact of Corporate Criminal Misconduct, 29 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA INTERDISCIPLINARY LAW JOURNAL 457 (2020) ([link](#)).

WORKS IN PROGRESS

How Much Do Juries Understand.

Rethinking Criminal Juries.

COMMENTARY

NY Lawmakers Missed a Chance to Boost Public Trust in the Courts, THE POST-STANDARD (June 11, 2026) ([link](#)).

Supreme Court Misses Chance to Fix Jury Discrimination in Pitchford Case from Mississippi, MISSISSIPPI TODAY (June 9, 2026) ([link](#)).

KY's 'Guilty But Mentally Ill' Verdict Is a False Promise, THE COURIER JOURNAL (April 27, 2026) ([link](#)).

OTHER ACADEMIC WORKS

Public and Elite Opinion on International Human Rights Law (Ph.D. dissertation, Harvard University).

Humanitarian Neutrality (M.A. thesis, Yale University).

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Rethinking Criminal Juries, Central States Law Schools Association Annual Scholarship Conference, September, 2026 (upcoming).

How Criminal Law Exploits Jury Ignorance, Southeastern Association of Law Schools New Voices in Experimental Jurisprudence, July, 2026.

How Criminal Law Exploits Jury Ignorance, European Society for Empirical Legal Studies, June, 2026.

How Criminal Law Exploits Jury Ignorance, Conference of Empirical Legal Studies Global Brazil, June, 2026.

How Criminal Law Exploits Jury Ignorance, Law and Society Association, May, 2026.

How Criminal Law Exploits Jury Ignorance, Michigan State University College of Law Democracy and Public Law Works-in-Progress Conference, April, 2026.

Guilty by Reason of Jury Ignorance, Missouri Law School Faculty Workshop, October, 2025.

Guilty by Reason of Jury Ignorance, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Your Next Article Workshop, July, 2025.

Rethinking Jury Selection, Southeastern Association of Law Schools New Scholars Workshop, July, 2025.

Rethinking Jury Selection, University of Richmond Civil Procedure Workshop, June, 2025.

Restoring Trust in the Supreme Court, Northeastern University Law School Junior Scholars Conference, February, 2025.

Restoring Trust in the Supreme Court, AALS New Voices in Civil Rights, January, 2025.

The Elected Judge, Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, November, 2024.

The Elected Judge, Florida State University Law School Faculty Workshop, September, 2024.

The Elected Judge, UF Law Faculty Roundtable, May, 2024.

How to Become a Law Professor Webinar, AALS, April, 2024.

Navigating the Supreme Court's Legitimacy Dilemma, Louisiana State University Faculty Workshop, February, 2024.

Public Perceptions of Corporate Criminal Sanctions: An Empirical Study of the Reputational Impact of Corporate Criminal Misconduct, Harvard Law School Workshop on Empirical Law and Economics, October, 2019.

Public Support for Restorative Justice in the Juvenile and Criminal Justice Systems, Harvard Law School Child Advocacy Program, March, 2019.

Public Support for Restorative Justice, Harvard Law School Child Advocacy Program, November, 2018.

Norm Life Cycles and International Law, University of Pennsylvania Perry World House Conference on International Law and International Relations, March, 2016.

Norm Life Cycles and International Law, Harvard University International Relations Workshop, February, 2016.

Syngman Rhee and the United States, Emory University Cuttino Research Conference, September, 2010.

TEACHING

University of Florida Levin College of Law

Civil Procedure (Fall 2024, Fall 2025, Fall 2026)

Criminal Law (Fall 2023, Spring 2025)

Crime and Punishment (Spring 2024, Fall 2024, Fall 2026)

Harvard University (Teaching Fellow)

Introduction to Political Science Research Methods (Spring 2016, Spring 2017)

Quantitative Analysis and Empirical Methods (Fall 2016)

International Law (Fall 2015)

Yale University (Teaching Fellow)

Approaches to International Development (Spring 2013)

Applied Methods of Analysis (Fall 2013)

Moral Dilemmas of the Nuclear Age (Spring 2012)

SELECTED SERVICE

University of Florida Levin College of Law

Clerkship Committee Member (2023-present)

Admitted Students Day Lecturer (2024-present)

Peer Review

Annual Review of Criminal Procedure

Journal of Empirical Legal Studies

Florida Law Review

American Association of Law Schools, Committee for the Fred C. Zacharias Memorial Prize

Emory University, 40 Under 40

SELECTED AWARDS & HONORS

American Association of Law Schools, Fred C. Zacharias Memorial Prize

Harvard Law School, John M. Olin Fellowship for Empirical Law and Finance

Harvard Law School, Stephen L. Werner Paper Prize

Harvard Law School, Davis Polk Legal Profession Paper Prize

Harvard Law School, Dean's Scholar (Book Award) x 5
Harvard University, Excellence in Teaching Distinction
Harvard University, Karl Deutsch Fellowship
Harvard University, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs Fellowship
Yale University, University Fellowship
Emory University, 40 Under 40
Emory University, James Z. Rabun Prize
Emory University, Phi Beta Kappa

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Association of Law Schools Criminal Law Section
American Association of Law Schools Criminal Procedure Section
American Association of Law Schools Civil Procedure Section
American Association of Law Schools Law and the Social Sciences Section
American Bar Association Criminal Justice Committee
Federal Bar Association Criminal Law Section
Society of Empirical Legal Studies
Law and Society Association
American Political Science Association
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences
Florida Bar Association Criminal Law Section
Georgia Bar Association Criminal Law Section
Miami-Dade Bar Association
Atlanta Bar Association
Emory Legal Network

SELECTED SKILLS

Foreign Languages:	Korean (fluent) and Spanish (elementary)
Software Languages:	R, Stata, and LaTeX

BAR ADMISSIONS

Florida
Georgia

COURT ADMISSIONS

United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida
United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia