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ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Courses taught: Social Enterprise & Economic Empowerment Clinic, Business Associations, Business Tax Practicum for Social Enterprises, American Legal Education, Affordable Housing Transactions Clinic

University of Auckland Law School
Visiting Scholar

Auckland, NZ
March 2023 – June 2023

University of Cape Town – Faculty of Law
Visiting Scholar, Department of Commercial Law

Cape Town, SA
February 2023 – March 2023

University of California College of the Law (formerly “UC Hastings”)
Faculty Co-Director, Center for Racial and Economic Justice
Professor of Law
Associate Professor of Law

San Francisco, CA
January 2020 – Present
July 2019 – Present
June 2013 – June 2019

Georgetown University Law Center
Graduate Clinical Teaching Fellow

Washington, DC
July 2011 – May 2013

EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center
Masters of Law in Clinical Advocacy, with distinction

Washington, DC

UCLA School of Law
Juris Doctor, Critical Race Studies specialization

Los Angeles, CA

Wellesley College
Bachelor of Arts, Mathematics and Spanish majors, Latin American Studies concentration

Wellesley, MA

SCHOLARSHIP & SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Social Enterprise Governance Post-SOX: When Changing Everything Changes Nothing, 78 BUS. LAW. (forthcoming 2023)

- *Invited Panelist*, “Sarbanes-Oxley at 20” at Lowell Milken Institute for Business Law & Policy, UCLA School of Law (October 2022)

Movement Lawyering in Unequal Cities: Reimagining Economic Justice after the Uprising, 47 LAW & SOC. INQUIRY (forthcoming 2023) (co-authors Anthony V. Alfieri and Susan D. Carle)

- *Presenter*, Clinical Law Review Writers’ Workshop, NYU School of Law (September 2021)

Lost in the Fire: Reflections on the Tulsa Race Massacre Centennial, 49 HASTINGS CONST. L.Q. 216 (2022)

- *Panelist*, “Race, Racism, and Corporate Law” at Law & Society Association (July 2022)

Transactional Community Lawyering, 94 TEMP. L. REV. 397 (2022)

- *Invited Plenary Panelist*, “Beyond Orthodox Lawyering – Tales from the Trenches” at CRS Symposium: Rebellious Lawyering – Reverberations from One Chicano’s Radical Vision at UCLA School of Law (anticipated fall 2023)
- *Invited Panelist*, “Businesses and Racial Hierarchy” at Corporate Law Symposium, University of Cincinnati College of Law (March 2022)

- *Invited Presenter*, American University Washington College of Law (March 2022)
- *Selected Paper Presentation*, “The New Public Interest in Private Markets: Transactional Innovation for Promoting Inclusion,” Section on Transactional Law and Skills Program, AALS Annual Meeting (January 2021)
- *Invited Presenter*, The Ohio State University (July 2017)
- *Invited Presenter*, University of Pennsylvania Law School (April 2016)

Minimizing the Impact of Cognitive Bias in Transactional Legal Education, 52 CONN. L. REV. 1139 (2021)

- *Invited Panelist*, “Law Schools and the Legal Profession” at University of Connecticut Law Review Symposium: How We Argue Now: The Moral Foundations of Politics and Law (October 2019)

Social Enterprise Lawyering, 88 UMKC L. REV. 803 (2020)

Contextualizing the Corporate Rights Movement in Transactional Clinics, 7 TENN. J. RACE GENDER & SOC. JUST. 257 (2018)

- *Invited Panelist*, “Urgency of Poverty” at University of Tennessee College of Law (October 2018)

From Business Tax Theory to Practice, 24 CLINICAL L. REV. 27 (2017) (*co-author Manoj Viswanathan*)

- *Presenter*, University of Southern California’s 13th Annual Social Entrepreneurship Conference (November 2016)
- *Presenter*, Clinical Law Review Writers’ Workshop, NYU School of Law (September 2016)

Primary Care Lawyers: A Holistic Approach to Pro Bono Business Lawyering, 17 UC DAVIS BUS. L. J 121 (2017) (lead article)

- *Panelist*, “Entrepreneurship Initiatives in Poor Communities: Economic Inclusion or Exclusion?” at Law & Society Association (June 2017)
- *Invited Panelist*, “Fostering Entrepreneurship and Legal Access” at UC Davis School of Law (March 2017)

Social Enterprise Governance, 18 U. PA. J. BUS. L. 919 (2016) (lead article)

- *Presenter*, Kuwait International Law School Governance and Capital Markets Regulation Conference (May 2016)
- *Presenter*, University of Denver Sturm College of Law Faculty Colloquium (February 2016)

Disruptive Pedagogy: Incorporating Critical Theory in Business Law Clinics, 22 CLINICAL L. REV. 1 (2015) (lead article)

- *Panelist*, “Pedagogical Innovations in Transactional Law Clinics” at Transactional Clinical Conference (April 2015)
- *Invited Presenter*, George Washington University Law School’s Center for Law, Economics, and Finance Junior Faculty Business and Finance Law (C-LEAF) Workshop (February 2015)
- *Presenter*, Clinical Law Review Writers’ Workshop, NYU School of Law (September 2015)

An Imperative Redefinition of “Community”: Incorporating Reentry Lawyers to Increase the Efficacy of Community Economic Development Initiatives, 55 UCLA L. REV. 1883 (2008)

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Morrison & Foerster LLP

Washington, DC & San Francisco, CA

Financial Transactions and Corporate Associate

Oct 2008 – July 2011

Advised and served as the primary liaison for institutional investor clients in syndicated debt transactions negotiating and analyzing credit agreements and loan transfer documentation. Drafted and reviewed a wide variety of transactions and agreements for public company and small business clients, including equity financings, asset acquisitions, mergers, promissory notes, organizational agreements, company formation, and security filings.

Hon. Richard J. Holwell, Southern District of New York
Judicial Extern

New York, NY
June 2006 – August 2006

Conducted legal research, prepared legal memoranda, and debriefed issues before the Court for judicial opinions.

Hispanics in Philanthropy
California Program Coordinator

San Francisco, CA
September 2003 – April 2005

Coordinated the Northern California/Central Valley and Southern California sites of a transnational re-granting initiative to support Latino-led nonprofits through capacity building grants. Provided technical assistance to executive directors and monitored grants to grassroots organizations throughout California. Organized grantee convenings and community events. Composed analytical reports and development materials for funders.

LEADERSHIP, SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS, & PUBLIC SERVICE

- University of California College of the Law (formerly “UC Hastings”)
 - *Faculty Co-Director, Center for Racial and Economic Justice*, 2020 – Present
 - *Rank & Tenure Committee*, 2021 – Present
 - *Faculty Advisor Hastings Constitutional Law Quarterly*, 2021 – Present
 - *LEOP Faculty Advisor*, 2017 – Present
 - *Faculty Executive Committee (faculty elected)*, 2018 – 2019 and 2020 – 2021
 - *BLSA Faculty Advisor*, 2014 – 2021
 - *Curriculum Committee*, 2019 – 2020 and 2013 – 2014
 - *Student Development and Fulfillment Strategic Planning Subcommittee*, 2018 – 2019
 - *LEOP Director Hiring Committee*, 2017
 - *Appointments Committee*, 2015 – 2017
 - *Faculty Advisor—Inns of Court Program*, 2016 – 2017
 - *LEOP Admissions Committee*, 2014 – 2015
 - *IL Faculty Advisor*, 2014 – 2015
- Bellow Scholars Committee, AALS Clinical Section (*Co-chair*, 2022-2024)
- Office of the White House Counsel – Building the Next Generation of Public Interest Lawyers (*Panelist*, 2022)
- University of California Inclusive Innovation and Equitable Entrepreneurship (I2E2) Project – Infrastructure Subgroup (*Member*, 2022 – present)
- NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund – Civil Rights Training Institute (*Presenter*, 2021)
- LatCrit Faculty Development Workshop (*Panelist*, 2021 and 2014)
- Clinical Legal Education Association (*New Clinicians Conference Facilitator*, 2021)
- University of Denver Sturm College of Law, LatCrit, SALT: Navigating the FAR Form (*Panelist*, 2021)
- Public Advocates, Inc. (*Board Member*, 2016 – Present)
- REPAIR (*Board Member*, 2015 – Present)
- Echoing Green (*Legal Advisory Group Member*, 2016 – Present)
- SOCAP Annual Conference (*Panelist*, 2019)
- AALS Conference on Clinical Education Planning Committee (*Member*, 2018 – 2019)
- AALS Section on Transactional Law and Skills (*Executive Committee*, 2016 – 2019)
- Thomson Reuters Foundation, Social Enterprise & Impact Investing (*Invited Speaker*, September 2016)
- INSEAD MBA Program, Silicon Valley MBA Program (*Invited Speaker*, August 2015)
- Pacific Community Ventures (*Volunteer Attorney*, 2014 – 2021)
- Council on Legal Education Opportunity (CLEO) at Hastings (*Presenter*, 2015 – 2017)
- Bar Association of San Francisco (*Mock Trial Championship Judge*, February 2014)

AWARDS & DISTINCTIONS

University of Cape Town

- *Visiting Scholars Fund Award* (November 2022), application for appointment as a Visiting Scholar in the Department of Commercial Law selected (only one each year) and awarded maximum funding.

Association of American Law Schools

- *Shanara Gilbert Award* (April 2018), recognizing an early career clinician with a commitment to teaching and advancing social justice particularly in the areas of race and social justice, a passion for providing legal services and access to justice to individuals and groups most in need, and service to clinical legal education and the AALS Section on Clinical Legal Education.
- *Bellow Scholar* (January 2015), recognized as a clinical professor engaged in empirical research to increase access to justice for marginalized communities. The Bellow Scholars Program supports the work of the selected clinical professors by providing mentorship and presentation opportunities on scholarship derived from faculty research and clinical representations.

University of California College of the Law (formerly “UC Hastings”)

- *Geoffrey Hazard Junior Faculty Research Award* (December 2017), in recognition of excellence in scholarship.
- *Foundation Faculty Award* (March 2017), awarded to early-career scholars who show particular promise in honor of their research.
- *Student Choice Award for Faculty Member of the Year* (April 2016), student selection of a professor who has gone above and beyond in their work to support students both in and outside of the classroom.
- *Outstanding Faculty Contributions to the UC Hastings Community* (April 2015), award recognizes leadership in expanding the horizons and skills of students, providing exceptional guidance and support outside of the classroom, and going above and beyond in their contributions to student and community life at UC Hastings.

Center for Law, Economics and Finance (C-LEAF)

- *Junior Faculty Business and Finance Law Workshop Participant* (February 2015), selected as one of ten articles to present at George Washington University Law School annual conference recognizing pre-tenure scholars in accounting, banking, bankruptcy, corporations, economics, finance and securities.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Clinical Legal Education Association (2011 – Present)
- San Francisco La Raza Lawyers Association (2014 – Present)
- Society of American Law Teachers (2014 – 2016)

BAR ADMISSIONS

- California
- District of Columbia