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## Experience

### **Georgetown University Law Center**

*Associate Professor of Law, Legal Practice*, 2019-Present

*Faculty Director, Program on Technology, Ethics, and the Legal Profession for the Georgetown Law Center on Ethics and the Legal Profession*, 2024-Present

*Visiting Associate Professor of Law, Legal Practice*, 2018-2019

*Adjunct Professor*, 2017

Courses Taught: Legal Practice: Writing and Analysis; Legal Writing Seminar: Theory & Practice; Advanced Legal Writing for Judicial Law Clerks and Civil Litigators

### **How I Lawyer Podcast**

*Creator and Host*, January 2021–Present

Host and produce weekly [podcast](#) interviewing influential lawyers from across the profession about what they do, why they do it, and how they do it well for a student and practitioner audience. Top 25 Career Podcast on iTunes. More than 250,000 downloads to date.

### **Williams & Connolly, LLP**

*Associate*, 2012–2013, 2016–2018

*Summer Associate*, 2011

### **United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit,**

#### **Chief Judge Robert A. Katzmann**

*Judicial Law Clerk*, 2014–2015

### **United States District Court for the District of Columbia,**

#### **Judge Ellen Segal Huvelle**

*Judicial Law Clerk*, 2013–2014

## Academic Publications

[Client Confidentiality as Data Security](#), 99 WASH. L. REV. (forthcoming 2024)

- Runner-up, 2024 International Association of Legal Ethics Deborah Rhode Award for best legal ethics paper by an early career scholar
- Selected for Presentation, AALS Professional Responsibility Section New Voices, Annual Meeting 2023

[\*Disrupting Data Cartels by Editing Wikipedia\*](#), 25 YALE J.L. & TECH. 124 (Special Issue 2023) (with Eun Hee Han and Amanda Levendowski)

[\*Making Your \(Power\)Point: An Introductory Guide to Digital Presentation Design for Lawyers\*](#), 18 LEGAL COMM'N & RHETORIC 8 (2021)

- Featured in Volume 12 of the Legal Writing Institute's [\*Monograph Series\*](#) on Visual Legal Writing
- Featured in *Virginia Lawyer*, [\*Your Fall Readings List: Practical Legal Writing Scholarships\*](#) (July 21, 2022)
- Featured in *Washington State Bar News*, [\*Say Goodbye to Bad Digital Presentations\*](#) (June 9, 2022)

[\*Religion as a Conversation Starter: What Liberal Religious Political Advocates Add to the Debate About Religion's Place in Legal and Political Discourse\*](#), 100 GEO. L.J. 331 (2011) (student note)

## Popular Media

[\*Remembering a Judge Who Wrote with Empathy\*](#), Bloomberg Law (June 29, 2021)

[\*How Sending One E-mail a Week Helped Me Connect Better to My Law Students\*](#), Blog – Law Student Survey of Student Engagement (October 19, 2021)

[\*Featured Guest\*](#), *Newfangled Lawyers Podcast* (March 18, 2024)

[\*Featured Guest\*](#), *Lawyers in the Making Podcast* (February 27, 2024)

[\*Featured Guest\*](#), *Inside the Inspired Podcast* (December 31, 2023)

[\*Featured Guest\*](#), *Leading Edge Podcast* (October 23, 2023)

[\*Featured Guest\*](#), *The Harvard Law Entrepreneurship Project Podcast* (June 16, 2023)

[\*Featured Guest\*](#), *USLawEssentials Law & Language Podcast* (February 2, 2023)

[\*Featured Guest\*](#), *Personal Jurisdiction Podcast* (October 25, 2022)

[\*Featured Guest\*](#), *Lawyerpreneur Podcast* (May 26, 2022)

[\*Featured Guest\*](#), *Thought Leadership Podcast* (March 22, 2022)

[\*Featured Guest\*](#), *The Study Legal English Podcast* (February 21, 2022)

[\*Featured Guest\*](#), *Texas Appellate Law Podcast* (November 11, 2021)

## Service

### Georgetown University Law Center

Director, *Program on Technology, Ethics, and the Legal Profession for the Georgetown Law Center on Ethics and the Legal Profession* (2024-Present)

Faculty Advisor, *The Georgetown Law Journal* (2020-2023)

Committee Service: Professional Responsibility & Appeals (2023)

Journal Committee (2022), Diversity Committee (2021), Teaching Committee (2020), Academic Standards (Curve) Committee (2019)

### Legal Writing Institute

Public Relations and Social Media Committee (Chair, 2022-2024;

Member, 2024-Present); Monograph Series (Editor, 2022-Present)

### Legal Mentor Network

Founding Board Member (2022-Present)

## Awards

[vLex Fastcase 50](#), Class of 2024

## Presentations

*Infusing Professional Identity Formation into the Legal Practice Classroom*

Panel Organizer, Moderator, and Speaker

Legal Writing Institute Biennial, IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law  
(July 17, 2024)

*Innovation and Collaboration in Media: Reaching New Heights Through Public Engagement*

Invited Keynote Speaker

Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference, University of Irvine  
(July 14, 2023)

*Teaching Legal Writing with Twitter*

Accepted Presentation, Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference,  
University of Irvine (July 13, 2023)

*Client Confidentiality as Data Security*

Accepted Presentation, AALS New Voices in Professional Responsibility (Jan. 2023)  
Georgetown Law Faculty Workshop (October 2022)

*Legal Presentations for New Lawyers*

Invited Guest Speaker, Arizona State University (Advanced Legal Communication,  
Prof. Susan McMahon) (Fall 2022)

*Legal Presentations for New Lawyers*

Invited Guest Speaker, University of District of Columbia Law School, General  
Practice Clinic (Spring 2020, Fall 2019)

*Teaching Legal Writing with Wikipedia*

Accepted Presentation, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, Georgetown University Law Center (July 2022)

*Podcasting for Law Students*

Invited Guest Speaker: University of Pennsylvania Entrepreneurship Legal Clinic (Fall 2022)

*Empathetic Judicial Opinions*

Accepted Presentation, Association of Legal Writing Directors Conference (June 18, 2021 with Ray Tolentino)

*Judicial Opinion Writing: An Introduction*

Invited Guest Speaker, District of Columbia Office of Administrative Hearings (Summer 2019, Fall 2019)

*Lanyer as Digital Storyteller: Teaching PowerPoint-based Lanyering*

Accepted Presentation, 2019 Applied Legal Storytelling Conference, University of Colorado Law School, (July 2019)

*Teaching Students to Make Their (Power)Point: Introducing Presentation Design as a Legal Writing Genre in the 1L Curriculum*

Accepted Presentation, Biennial Empire State Legal Writing Conference, New York Law School (May 2019)

*Teaching Students to Make Their (Power)Point: Introducing Presentation Design as a Legal Writing Genre in the 1L Curriculum*

Accepted Presentation, LWI One-Day Conference, University of Pittsburgh School of Law (November 2018)

**Education**      **Georgetown University Law Center,**  
J.D. *magna cum laude* (2012)

Honors: Top 3% of Class, Order of the Coif

Top Exam: Federal Courts (Professor Brian Wolfman), Evidence (Professor Michael Gottesman), Tax I (Professor Michael Doran), Legal Writing Seminar (Professor Kristen Tiscione)

Activities: *Georgetown Law Journal* (Articles Editor), Independent Study (Dean William Treanor), Law Fellow (Professor Kristen Tiscione), Research Assistant (Professor Lisa Heinzerling)

Externships: Judge Gladys Kessler, U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia (Summer 2010); Department of Justice, Civil Appellate Staff (Fall 2011)

**University of Chicago Divinity School,**  
A.M.R.S. (2009)

**Princeton University**  
A.B., *magna cum laude*, Religion and Judaic Studies (2007)

Honors: *Phi Beta Kappa*, Spirit of Princeton Award (Highest Award for Campus Involvement), Sacks Prize (Judaic Studies in Religion Department)

**Bar** New York (2013), District of Columbia (2014), United States District Court for the  
**Membership** District of Columbia (2014)