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POSITIONS

- Georgetown University Law Center**, Washington, DC 2015–
Associate Dean for Research & Academic Programs (2023–)
Professor of Law (2021–) and *Associate Professor of Law* (2015–21)
Anne Fleming Research Professor (2023–)
Andrew Carnegie Fellow (2021–23)
ABF/JPB Foundation Access to Justice Faculty Scholar (2023–24)
- Georgetown University McCourt School of Public Policy**, Washington, DC 2015–
Affiliated Faculty
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office**, Alexandria, VA 2019–
Thomas Alva Edison Visiting Scholar
- Free Our Vote** 2020–
Co-Founder and Director
 - Managed team of economists/legal researchers to restore voting rights for people w/past felony convictions
 - Identified and notified 20,000+ eligible returning citizens in Florida they could vote in 2020 election
 - Fundraised to pay fines/fees and restore voting rights for nearly 2,000 registered voters
 - Expanding to over a dozen other states, including Arizona, Georgia, Texas, and Virginia, for 2024 election
- New York University School of Law**, New York, NY 2014–15
Visiting Fellow, Engelberg Center on Innovation Law & Policy
- Spindrop**, Princeton, NJ 2010–
Co-Founder, Patent Counsel, iPhone Programmer
 - Designed, programmed, and patented novel iPhone application for startup music tech company
- Latham & Watkins LLP**, San Francisco, CA; Chicago, IL 2006–07; 2008–09
 - Advocated in patent, trademark, securities, class action, tax, and criminal (parole) matters
 - Brought in new client (fast-growing tech company) and managed its restructuring
- Law Clerk to Hon. Ann Claire Williams, Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals**, Chicago, IL 2007–08
- Law Clerk to Hon. Vaughn R. Walker, U.S. Dist. Court for N.D. Cal.**, San Francisco, CA 2005–06
- McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert & Berghoff LLP**, Chicago, IL 2001–02
Patent Agent, Technical Advisor
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EDUCATION

- Princeton University**, Princeton, NJ
 - **Ph.D. in Economics** (Advisors: Orley Ashenfelter, Henry Farber) 2015
 - **M.A. in Economics** 2011
 - Princeton University Fellowship • Towbes Prize for Outstanding Teaching
 - Field Exams: Finance, Labor Economics, Development Economics
- Harvard Law School**, Cambridge, MA 2005
 - **J.D., cum laude**
 - *Harvard Law Review*, Notes Editor
 - John M. Olin Fellow in Law and Economics • Ames Moot Court Competition, Semifinalist
- University of Illinois**, Champaign, IL 2001
 - **B.S. in Computer Engineering, Highest Honors • Minor in Mathematics**
 - National Merit Scholar • Chancellor's Scholar • James Scholar • Leung Scholar • Byrd Scholar

PUBLISHED OR FORTHCOMING ARTICLES

[Creditor Courts](#),

85 OHIO ST. L.J. __ (2024) (w/Alexander Billy)

[Felony Financial Disenfranchisement](#),

75 VAND. L. REV. 143 (2023) (w/Alexander Billy, Gaurav Bagwe)

[Pay to Play? Campaign Finance and the Incentive Gap in the Sixth Amendment's Right to Counsel](#),

70 DUKE L.J. 775 (2021) (w/Jay Jenkins)

--Featured in *The New York Times* (Adam Liptak, [Campaign Funds for Judges Warp Criminal Justice, Study Finds](#), Jun. 1, 2020), *The ABA Journal*, and *Newsweek*

[Reaching for Mediocrity: Competition and Stagnation in Pharmaceutical Innovation](#),

64 INT'L REV. L. ECON. (2020) (w/Son Le)

[Who Cares About Patents? Cross-Industry Differences in the Marginal Value of Patent Term](#), 21

AM. L. & ECON. REV. 1 (2019) (w/Judd N.L. Cramer)

[Health Care Costs and the Arc of Innovation](#), 104 MINN. L. REV. 955 (2019) (w/M. Gregg Bloche)

[Will Delaware Be Different? An Empirical Study of TC Heartland and the Shift to Defendant Choice of Venue](#), 104 CORNELL L. REV. 101 (2018) (w/Ofer Eldar)

["Loser Pays" in Patent Examination](#), 54 HOUS. L. REV. 165 (2016)

[Regulatory Monopoly and Differential Pricing in the Market for Patents](#),

71 WASH. & LEE L. REV. 1855 (2014)

[Self-Realizing Inventions and the Utilitarian Foundation of Patent Law](#),

51 WM. & MARY L. REV. 897 (2009) (w/Alan Devlin)

PUBLISHED SHORTER WORKS

[Medical Costs and Clinical Value: Playing the Long Game](#), ASCO POST (Jul. 25, 2022)

(w/M. Gregg Bloche, John Marshall)

[The International Intellectual Property Commercialization Council's 3rd Annual U.S. Conference: The State of Innovation in the Union](#), CATH. U. J.L. & TECH., Spr. 2020, at 5-34.

[A Proposal for PolicyPilots.gov](#), THE REGULATORY REVIEW (UNIV. OF PENN.) (Nov. 19, 2019)

(w/Colleen Chien)

[Vertical Mergers and the MFN Thicket in Television](#), CPI ANTITRUST CHRON. (Aug. 2018)

(w/Erik Hovenkamp)

[Health Policy's Gordian Knot: Rethinking Cost Control](#), HEALTH AFFAIRS BLOG (Apr. 26, 2017)

(w/M. Gregg Bloche, John Marshall)

[Note, Making Sense of Hybrid Speech: A New Model for Commercial Speech and Expressive Conduct](#), 118 HARV. L. REV. 2836 (2005)

[Recent Case, Thornton v. United States](#), 118 HARV. L. REV. 268 (2004)

[Recent Case, Summerlin v. Stewart](#), 117 HARV. L. REV. 1291 (2004)

[Book Note](#), 44 HARV. INT'L L.J. 607 (2003) (reviewing Lisa Conant, *Justice Contained: Law and Politics in the European Union* (2002))

SELECTED GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- ABF/JPB Foundation Access to Justice Faculty Scholar (2023–24)
- Andrew Carnegie Fellowship, Carnegie Corporation of New York – \$200,000 (2021–23)
- Systematic Content Analysis of Litigation Events Open Knowledge Network (SCALES) – \$10,000 (2021)
- Nat'l Bureau of Econ. Research (NBER) Innovation Policy Working Group – \$20,000 (2015–18)
- Hicks Memorial Fellowship in Industrial Relations, Princeton University (2014–15)
- Lester Fellowship for Industrial Relations, Princeton University (2012–13)

SELECTED WORKING PAPERS AND ACTIVE RESEARCH PROJECTS

Patent Law and Intellectual Property

Patent Salience: What Do Patents Signal to Consumers? (w/Alexander Billy)

- We empirically examine how consumers perceive patented over-the-counter pharmaceutical goods. To gauge consumer preferences for such products, we draw upon evidence from two experiments we developed and conducted. In an online randomized experiment, we demonstrate increased salience of patent status heightens consumers' beliefs that products are innovative and of high quality. At the same time, consumers are not more inclined to buy patented products. To determine if these results hold in practice, we developed a field experiment at a small retail pharmacy chain. Using scanner data spanning over five years, we find no evidence that consumers respond to increased patent salience, matching the results from our online experiment.

Unpacking Provisional Patent Applications (w/Alexander Giczy, Andrew Toole)

- Since their creation in 1995, over 3 million provisional patent applications have been filed in the United States, with nearly 20% of all issued patents starting as provisional applications. These applications permit inventors to secure an invention priority date before filing a follow-on non-provisional application. Despite their prevalence, provisional applications have attracted surprisingly little scholarly attention. Using newly available non-public USPTO data, we highlight features of provisional applicants and show how legal changes, economic conditions, and technological development influence provisional filings. We also examine how decisions about whether to file follow-on non-provisional applications vary by the number and gender of inventors. We show that provisional applications filed by fewer inventors and female inventors are significantly less likely to have follow-on non-provisional filings. Our results provide further context and evidence relevant to the well-documented gender disparity in patenting.

Do Female Mayors Enhance Patent Innovation? (w/Thomas Krause)

- We investigate how female political leaders might impact innovation, as measured by the effect of the election of women mayors on patent grants in U.S. cities. To address endogeneity, we employ a regression discontinuity design and compare patent grants based on inventor location in U.S. cities where a female candidate barely won a mayoral election with such grants in cities where a female candidate barely lost. Preliminary results show that female mayors significantly increase the number of granted patents relative to male mayors. These findings persist over time and are robust across different bandwidth, polynomial order, and covariate discontinuity checks.

What's a Patent Worth? The Monetary Value of Patent Term (w/James Hicks)

- This paper measures late-term patent value via equity markets. We perform an event study based on the enactment of The Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS), which retroactively extended term for already-issued patents secured in less than three years. Results indicate stock prices increased more for firms that received longer term extensions; we confirm this with an empirical technique known as regression kink design.

Courts and the Criminal Legal System

Judges for Sale: The Effect of Campaign Contributions on State Criminal Courts

(w/Arturo Romero Yáñez)

- Do campaign contributions impact democratic processes? Using donation data from Texas, we show that criminal defense attorneys who contribute to a district judge’s electoral campaign are preferentially assigned by that judge to indigent defense cases, i.e., public contracts in which the state pays private attorneys to represent poor defendants. We estimate that attorney donors receive twice as many cases as non-donors during the month of their campaign contribution. Nearly two-thirds of this increase is explained by the contribution itself, with the remainder attributable to shared preferences within attorney-judge pairs, such as those based on professional, ideological, political, or personal ties. Defendants assigned to donor attorneys also fare worse in cases resolved in the month of contribution, with fewer cases dismissed and more defendants convicted and incarcerated. Further evidence suggests recipient judges close cases to cash out their attorney benefactors, at the expense of defendants. Our results provide some of the strongest causal evidence to date on the corrosive potential of campaign donations, including their impact on the right to counsel as guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution.

Down to the Last Strike: The Effect of the Jury Lottery on Conviction Rates (w/Scott Kostyshak)

- How much does luck matter to a criminal defendant in a jury trial? We use rich data on jury selection to causally estimate how parties who are randomly assigned a less favorable jury (as proxied by whether their attorneys exhaust their peremptory strikes) fare at trial. Our novel identification strategy uniquely captures variation in juror predisposition using data unobserved by the econometrician but observed by attorneys. Defendants who lose the “jury lottery” are more likely to be convicted than similarly situated counterparts, with a significant increase (18-20 percentage points) for Black defendants. Our results are robust to alternate specifications and raise questions about race and the use of peremptory strikes in the criminal legal system.

Why Do People Shirk Jury Duty? (w/Scott Kostyshak)

- Juries are a defining feature of America’s criminal and civil legal systems. Yet, in practice, juries often do not reflect the underlying population they are intended to represent. Here, we explore whether this phenomenon might be driven by the many who shirk jury duty altogether. Little is known on this topic, even though in some jurisdictions, shirkers comprise a majority of those summoned. Working with the jury office in a large American city, we conduct a randomized field experiment with several treatments (jury summons) to discern what people care about when deciding whether to show up or shirk. For example, some of those in our trial receive summons that emphasize how jury service is one’s patriotic duty; other summons emphasize time-off policies for jury duty. By observing how different summons affect juror turnout, we learn what motivates people on the margin to show up for jury duty. In doing so, our research could help courts increase juror turnout and create more representative jury pools.

The Causal Impact of Driver’s License Suspensions (w/Alexander Billy, Camila Rodrigues Gomes)

- This project measures how driver’s license suspensions—a common collateral sanction for millions of Americans convicted of crimes each year—affect convicted individuals and their families. We use detailed data from Florida on criminal court cases, license suspensions, and court fines/fees. We link birth and family records to these data to create family networks. We then exploit changes in law to explore how suspension of driver’s licenses for failure to pay criminal court fees impacts criminal, health, voting, and economic outcomes across generations.

The Impact of Extreme Risk Protection Order Laws: Evidence from Florida (w/Alexander Billy)

- Recently, extreme risk protection orders (ERPOs) have gained bipartisan support to address gun violence, culminating in the 2022 Bipartisan Safer Communities Act, which funds states that implement ERPO laws. Yet the efficacy of ERPO laws remains unclear. We are empirically

analyzing case-level data related to ERPOs in Florida, which adopted an ERPO law in 2018 following the tragic Parkland school shooting. By linking ERPO data with already-obtained address, birth, death, marriage, and divorce records, we can sketch out family networks affected by ERPO laws. We can also explore whether certain events precipitate ERPOs, such as marriage dissolution or contact with law enforcement. In addition, we will pursue plausible causal identification strategies, such as synthetic difference-in-differences, to compare respondents legally barred from firearm possession with those whose petitions were not granted. Our work can help inform future evidence-based policies to reduce gun violence.

The Ripple Effects of Legal Aid in the Eviction Context (w/Alexander Billy)

- This project provides new empirical evidence on how legal aid, particularly for those facing eviction, might produce downstream ripple effects. For example, legal aid might prevent some recipients from entering the criminal legal system or increase their civic engagement (e.g., voter participation). But causally measuring such downstream effects is tricky. We are studying this issue by partnering with the Oklahoma Policy Institute (OPI) in an 18-month ongoing experiment that began in September 2022. OPI is assisting Legal Aid Services of Oklahoma, which is providing counsel to any resident facing eviction in two high-eviction-rate Tulsa, OK, zip codes. We will analyze data on eviction filings and judgments in this zip code and in other similar ones in Tulsa, both before and during the experiment. We are also combining other data that capture possible ripple effects, including detailed individual-level court, jail, corrections and voter registration data. The natural “treatment” and “control” groups in this setting make it amenable to causal inference. Moreover, because most prior eviction research has focused on New York City or other major cities, our focus on a smaller city in a more conservative state might give our research more general applicability. I was recently honored with the ABF/JPB Foundation Access to Justice Faculty Scholar award to conduct research on this topic.

Incarceration

Peer Effects in Jails (w/JJ Naddeo, Angelo Diaz Reyes)

- We examine how individuals confined in U.S. jails might be influenced by those with whom they are incarcerated. We measure such “peer effects” through a novel jail dataset we collected in a large American city, where inmates are randomly assigned within cell blocks. We use granular, daily cell-level information and individual-level demographic and criminal history data to identify the causal effects of peers on the behavior of individuals after they leave jail. We also merge in data on occupational licenses for all residents of Tennessee to assess whether exposure to peers with occupational experience increases the likelihood that an individual will pursue a similar license upon release. Our research could provide a better understanding of the specific dynamics and nature of peer effects in the jail context. This in turn will help us identify effective interventions aimed at reducing the potential for coordinated criminal activity and encouraging positive influences among jailed individuals.

The Long-Run Effects of Incarceration on Families (w/Alexander Billy, Angelica Sanchez Diaz)

- We investigate the long-run and intergenerational health, economic, and crime effects of incarceration on families by focusing on Florida, where judges use a point system for sentencing in which scoring above 44 points likely results in prison. We link point and case data with Florida birth records to identify family networks. This lets us compare families with members scoring just above and below 44 points, providing a natural experiment for causal claims. This methodology, known as regression discontinuity, lets us determine whether incarceration influences future criminal conduct, life expectancy, and marriage dissolution, among other outcomes. It also enables us to determine if, when other variables are held constant, being confined in jail versus prison makes a difference in outcomes.

The Carceral Cascade: Hidden Costs of Criminal Punishment in America (w/Alexander Billy)

(Book project under contract with Oxford University Press)

- The most immediate consequences of criminal court contact, notably incarceration, have long been the subject of scholarly and political attention. Until recently, other less salient harms have not received the same focus. But a new generation of social scientists, empowered by a revolution in empirical tools and data availability, have begun to sketch more inconspicuous costs of prison. These harms extend far beyond detainment, encompassing financial burdens, restrictions on civil rights, and spillovers on innocent individuals. Our book, the first of its kind, situates this burgeoning corpus of work within a broader framework we call the carceral cascade—the harms imposed by criminal punishment on a broad downstream network of individuals and communities. As we show, exposure to criminal courts paralyzes the well-being of a wide swath of people, particularly the indigent or those who reside in communities of color. These harms are often prolonged and expansive; collectively, these impositions represent one of the most significant domestic policy burdens. *The Carceral Cascade* illustrates these hidden harms, much of which is the subject of our own research. Our objective is broad: we seek to inform the research and policy communities, while sparking wider public discourse on this topic. And our book is timely: during a period of heightened awareness of injustices in our criminal court system, we demonstrate how incarceration affects families and communities in ways not previously appreciated. Ultimately, we aspire to create a book that unveils the hidden costs of incarceration in order to realize a more transparent, less capricious system of criminal punishment.

Public Law and Elections

Is Originalism Orthodoxy? (w/Victoria Nourse, Kevin Tobia)

- Today’s Supreme Court has vocally embraced originalism in cases ranging from religion to abortion to guns. Scholars from both the right and left claim it is critical to understand precisely what the Court’s originalism is. Legal academics have debated theoretical variations of originalism for decades, but assessing its descriptive status (what it is) raises newly urgent questions about Supreme Court practice. Is originalism “our law,” as proponents claim? If so, what exactly is that originalism? Has it always been our law? Justice Scalia once said, “not very long ago, originalism was orthodoxy. Everybody, at least purported to be an originalist.” Critics, however, claim the Supreme Court’s originalism is new, and even a kind of “living constitutionalism.” This article is the first to comprehensively evaluate these claims with data, using the text of 27,767 cases reaching back to the Founding. We build a unique database based on over 200,000 source documents and, using Python, search for references to original sources that originalists identify as central to their methodology. We find that for much of Supreme Court history, conventional indicators of originalist practice did not exist as often as originalists might predict—raising questions about originalism’s past orthodoxy and universality. While originalist practice grew starting with the Rehnquist Court, the Court’s practice is not consistently originalist even today. This calls into question strong empirical and positivist claims about originalism’s constancy or “orthodoxy.” And it lends important empirical support to originalist critics who see the Court’s method as new, selective, and disruptive. Finally, it raises new questions whether originalism is compulsory for modern judges as “our law,” as some originalists today claim.

The Checkmark Effect: Momentum in Presidential Primaries

(w/Scott Kostyshak, Ilia Kapelevich)

- Do U.S. presidential primary candidates receive a “boost” when they win a primary, even when it hardly affects their total delegate count? We study this issue using a technique known as regression discontinuity (RD), previously used to measure the effect of incumbency on subsequent elections. While previous papers studied “winner-take-all” elections—for example, congressional elections where the winner of the election wins the congressional seat—we use RD in proportional presidential primary elections, in which delegates are awarded in proportion to the

percentage of vote won. This novel application of RD allows us to isolate the component of momentum that is due to differential media portrayals of the winner and loser, even though both gain approximately the same number of delegates in a close election. Our preliminary findings suggest presidential candidates benefit from receiving a “winner’s checkmark” next to their name after being declared the winner in a primary, even when the win itself hardly impacts total delegate counts. This checkmark effect helps candidates in two key ways: they receive increased campaign donations and garner more votes in subsequent primaries. These results suggest media narratives during presidential primaries might directly impact voter and donor behavior.

What Encourages Returning Citizens to Vote? Evidence from Iowa and Washington

(w/Alexander Billy, JJ Naddeo)

- Currently, twenty-six states restrict some individuals from voting based on past felony convictions. Recent legislative changes in Iowa and Washington state have fully restored voting rights to most residents with past convictions. But uncertainty about eligibility and severe penalties for illegal voting may deter these individuals from exercising their newly restored voting rights. In this project, we conducted two randomized controlled trials during the 2022 election to measure the impact of various outreach efforts and to see if these populations might benefit from targeted information campaigns. In Iowa, we compared the efficacy of traditional mailers with social media and mixed social media/opt-in SMS campaigns. In Washington, we focused on assessing the impact of social media outreach on voter registration and turnout, complementing traditional mailers and other outreach efforts.

FULL-TIME LAW TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Georgetown University Law Center – Professor of Law

1L Coursework

- Property (Spring 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2023)

Intellectual Property

- Patent Law (Fall 2016, Spring 2020)

Corporate Finance

- Advanced Corporate Finance: Quantitative Analysis and Valuation (Fall 2019, 2020, 2022)
- Corporate Finance: Quantitative Analysis and Valuation (Spring 2017)
- Corporate Finance (Spring 2016)

Law and Economics

- Law and Economics Workshop (Fall 2017, 2020, 2022)
- Empirical Analysis for Lawyers and Policymakers (Fall 2015, Spring 2019, 2024 (upcoming))

OTHER TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Princeton University – Assistant in Instruction

- The Great Recession (Paul Krugman – Spring 2014, 2015)
- Law and Economics (Tim Leonard – Fall 2010)

DePaul University College of Law – Adjunct Professor – Law and Economics (Summer 2010)

Minority Legal Education Resources (Chicago, IL) – Illinois Bar Exam Tutor (Summer 2008)

Office of Minority Student Affairs, Univ. of Illinois – History and Physics Tutor (1998–2001)

SELECTED INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2023:** American Economic Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans • Law and Economics Workshop, University of Michigan Law School • Works-in-Progress IP Colloquium, Suffolk University Law School • PatCon, Northwestern Law School • Law and Economics Workshop, UC Berkeley School of Law • American Law and Economics Assoc. Annual Meeting, Boston University School of Law • Princeton University, Industrial Relations Section Centennial • Global TechNet AI Governance Series • Conference on Data Science and Law, Fordham Law School • IP Scholars Conference, Cardozo School of Law • Tech Foundations for Congressional Staff, Panel on AI, Georgetown Law • Georgetown Law Emerging Technology Policy Summit, Panel on AI • Mid-Atlantic Patent Works-in-Progress Conference, Georgetown Law • Northwestern Law School, Law and Economics Workshop • Northwestern Law Review Symposium on Data Justice • Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, University of Chicago • Harvard Law School Alumni Association of DC, Fines and Fees Panel (upcoming) • Trade Secrets Symposium, Georgetown Law, Panel on AI (upcoming) • Empirical Criminal Law Roundtable, Duke Law School (upcoming)
- 2022:** American Economic Association Annual Meeting (discussant) • Works-in-Progress IP Colloquium, Saint Louis University School of Law • Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Univ. of Toronto Faculty of Law (remote) • IP Scholars Conference, Stanford Law School • Junior IP Scholars Conference, UC Berkeley School of Law • Mid-Atlantic Patent Works-in-Progress Conference, Georgetown Law • Cornell Law School, Law and Economics Workshop • Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, University of Virginia School of Law • Empirical Criminal Law Roundtable, Duke Law School
- 2021:** Active Bystandership in Law Enforcement (ABLE) Annual Meeting, Georgetown Law
- 2020:** Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management Ann. Meeting • American Law & Econ. Assoc. Ann. Meeting, U. Chicago (cancelled b/c COVID) • Deason Criminal Justice Reform Center, SMU Dedman School of Law • Texas Indigent Defense Commission Brown Bag • Society for Inst. & Org. Econ. Conference, Cambridge, MA (cancelled b/c COVID) • IP Colloquium, Cardozo School of Law • Brown Bag Presentation, Georgetown McCourt School of Public Policy • Public Choice Society Ann. Meeting, Newport Beach, CA (cancelled b/c COVID) • Hamilton Project Authors' Conf. at the Brookings Institution (discussant) • IP Speaker Series, Univ. of San Diego School of Law • American Econ. Assoc. Ann. Meeting, San Diego
- 2019:** Conference on IP, Privacy, and Access to Justice in the Digital World, O.P. Jindal University, Sonapat, India • Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Claremont-McKenna College • UT Austin School of Law, Law, Business, and Economics Workshop • Workshop on Empirical Methods and Patents, Georgetown University Law Center (organizer) • Conference on Law and Macroeconomics, Georgetown University Law Center (moderator) • Wake Forest University, Department of Economics Faculty Seminar • Int'l IP Commercialization Counsel, The State of Innovation in the Union, U.S. Capitol • American Law and Economics Assoc. Annual Meeting, NYU School of Law • Roundtable on Empirical Methods in IP (discussant), USPTO • Empirical Patent Conference, Duke University School of Law (presenter and discussant) • Works-in-Progress IP Colloquium, Univ. of Houston Law Center • Law and Economics Workshop, Univ. of Chicago Law School • Georgetown Law Summer Faculty Workshop • Georgetown Law Faculty Research Workshop
- 2018:** Faculty Workshop, Chicago-Kent College of Law • Law and Economics Workshop, Boston Univ. School of Law • Economics Seminar and Speaker Series, Univ. of Florida Dept. of Economics • Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Univ. of Michigan Law School • Federal Trade Commission Hearing on Competition and Consumer Protection in the 21st Century, Innovation and Intellectual Property, Washington, DC • Mid-Atlantic Patent Works-In-Progress Conference, American Univ. Wash. College of Law • IP Scholars Conference, UC Berkeley School of Law •

Southeastern Assoc. of Law Schools Conference, Ft. Lauderdale, FL • Society for Institutional and Organizational Economics Conference, HEC Montreal • American Law and Economics Assoc. Annual Meeting, Boston Univ. School of Law • IP Workshop, Boston Univ. School of Law (conducted remotely) • Roundtable on Empirical Methods in IP, Northwestern Law School • PatCon8, Univ. of San Diego School of Law • Brown Bag Presentation, Georgetown University McCourt School of Public Policy • Faculty Workshop, Washington University School of Law • Intellectual Property Speaker Series, George Washington Univ. School of Law • Georgetown Law Summer Faculty Workshop

2017: Giles S. Rich American Inn of Court, Academia's Role in IP Litigation • IP Scholars Conference, Cardozo School of Law • Georgetown Law Summer Faculty Workshop • Hamilton Project Authors' Conference at the Brookings Institution (discussant) • Stanford Patent Assertion Entity Symposium, Stanford Law School • Empirical Patent Conference (discussant), Duke University School of Law • PatCon7, Northwestern Law School • Works-in-Progress IP Colloquium (plenary session), Boston Univ. School of Law • Georgetown Law Faculty Research Workshop

2016: Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (discussant), Duke University School of Law • Panel on Cost-Benefit Analysis (Heritage Foundation), University of Virginia School of Law • Brown Bag Presentation, Georgetown University Economics Department • Ruesch Center Policy Briefing: Fighting a Smarter War Against Cancer, Georgetown Law • Georgetown Law Faculty Research Workshop • George Mason Law & Economics Colloquium • PatCon6, Boston College Law School • Works-in-Progress IP Colloquium, Univ. of Washington

2015: Tri-State Region IP Workshop, NYU School of Law • Empirical Patent Conference (discussant), University of Illinois School of Law • U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Brown Bag Luncheon

2014: Law and Economics Seminar, Harvard Law School • IP Group Meeting, NYU School of Law • Labor Economics Seminar, Princeton University • IP Scholars Conference, UC Berkeley School of Law • Seventh Annual Conference on Innovation Economics, Northwestern Law School • American Law and Economics Assoc. Annual Meeting, Univ. of Chicago Law School • PatCon4, Univ. of San Diego School of Law • Law and Economics Colloquium, Northwestern Law School

2013: Doctoral Scholarship Conference, Yale Law School • Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Univ. of Pennsylvania Law School • Midwest Law and Economics Assoc. Conference, University of Illinois School of Law • Law-Engaged Graduate Student Seminar, Princeton University

2009: IP Scholars Conference, Cardozo School of Law

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Referee

American Economic Journal: Applied Economics • *Supreme Court Economic Review* • *American Law and Economics Review* • *Int'l Review of Law and Economics* • *Yale Law Journal* • *Georgetown Law Journal* • *Georgetown Journal of Gender and the Law* • *Economics of Innovation and New Technology* • *Int'l Journal of Innovation Studies* • *Int'l Journal of the Economics of Business* • *Health Affairs*

Conference Organizing

- Main Organizer, Mid-Atlantic Patent Works-in-Progress Conf., Georgetown Law (2022, 2023)
- Main Organizer, Workshop on Empirical Methods and Patents, Georgetown Law (2019)
- Area Organizer, Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (2020, 2022, 2023)
- Area Organizer, American Law and Economics Assoc. Annual Meeting (2018)

Student Advising

- Ph.D. Advisor for Arturo Romero Yáñez, Son Le & Alex Billy, Georgetown Dept. of Economics
- Faculty Advisor, Institute for Technology Law and Policy, Georgetown Law

Georgetown Law Committee Service

Associate Dean for Research & Academic Programs (2023–)

Lateral Appointments (2022–23)

Speech and Expression (2020–21)

- Considered policies and recommendations related to protection of academic freedom

Strategy (2020–21)

- Assisted with new space, teleworking, and post-COVID-19 planning

Academic Standards Grade Curve Subcommittee (2019–20) – external contributor

- Conducted statistical analysis of differences in grade curves across peer institutions
- Redesigned Georgetown Law’s grade curves for both 1L and upper-level courses

Entry-Level Appointments (2019–20)

Faculty Workshops (2018–19)

First-Year Class Size (2017–18)

- Helped design proposals regarding changes to first-year class size

Business Initiatives (2016–17)

- Assisted with faculty oversight of new Sara Crown Star Center for Business Skills

Technology (2016–17, 2017–18)

Other Service

- Co-Vice-President (2023–24) & Co-President (2024–25), Conference on Empirical Legal Studies
- Active Bystandership for Law Enforcement (ABLE), Research Advisory Board (2021–)
- Created and oversee Georgetown Law’s Library Empirical Research Fellow program (2019–)
- Harvard Law School Assoc. of Washington D.C., Programming Committee Co-Chair (2021–23)

MISCELLANEOUS

- Consultant for Equal Rights Center • Admitted to practice law in California (active) and Illinois (inactive) and before the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office (administratively inactive) • Climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro • Ran Chicago Marathon • Published on SCOTUSblog • Program in C, STATA, Python, and Objective-C (for iPhone and iPad) • Volunteer Law Clerk at Legal Assistance Foundation of Chicago and Office of the Public Defender, Cook County (Summer 1998) • Summer Associate, Covington & Burling LLP (Summer 2004) • Inventor on U.S. Patent No. 9,111,519 (“System and Method for Generating Cuepoints for Mixing Song Data”)