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CURRENT POSITION

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY SCHOOL OF LAW (2011-present)
Assistant Professor of Law
Teaches Legal History, Torts, and Social Welfare Law.

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, Ph.D. (History), 2011

Dissertation: "Securing a Right to Welfare: Public Assistance Administration and the Rule of Law, 1935-1965" (Thomas J. Sugrue, supervisor).

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LAW SCHOOL, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2007

Order of the Coif; University of Pennsylvania Law Review.

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE, B.A. (History), *summa cum laude*, 2002

High honors in major; Phi Beta Kappa; Presidential Scholar.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW (2010-11)
Samuel I. Golieb Fellow in Legal History

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LAW SCHOOL (2008-10)
George Sharswood Fellow in Law and History

CLERKSHIP

HONORABLE GUIDO CALABRESI (2007-08)
UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE SECOND CIRCUIT

PUBLICATIONS & WORKS IN PROGRESS

Works in Progress

STATES OF DEPENDENCY: WELFARE, RIGHTS, AND AMERICAN GOVERNANCE, 1935-1965 (Cambridge University Press, forthcoming 2015).

"The Indian Problem": Welfare, Rights, and Citizenship in the Wake of the New Deal (submitted to peer-reviewed history journal, awaiting review).

Administrative Equal Protection: A History (article in progress).

Articles and Book Chapters

Siting the Legal History of Poverty: Below, Above, and Amidst, *in* BLACKWELL COMPANION TO AMERICAN LEGAL HISTORY (Sally Hadden & Alfred Brophy eds.) (2013) (with Felicia Kornbluh).

Welfare and Rights before the Movement: Rights as a Language of the State, 122 YALE L. J. 314 (2012).

Portia's Deal, 86 CHI-KENT L. REV. 549 (2012) (invited contribution to symposium on "Women's Legal History: A Global Perspective").

The House that 'Equality' Built: The Asian American Movement and the Legacy of Community Action, *in* THE WAR ON POVERTY: A NEW GRASSROOTS HISTORY

(Annelise Orleck & Lisa Hazirjian eds.) (University of Georgia Press, 2011).

Flemming v. Nestor*: Anticommunism, the Welfare State, and the Making of 'New Property,'* 26 L. & HIST. REV. 379 (2008).

Reviews and Shorter Works

"Training Historians and the Dual Degree," CHRONICLE OF HIGHER ED., January 28, 2014 (with Merlin Chowkwanyun).

Review, "Remembering the 'Forgotten Child': The American Indian Child Welfare Crisis of the 1960s and 1970s" (2013), JOTWELL (Nov. 2013).

Review, *Caring for America: Home Health Workers in the Shadow of the Welfare State* (2012), 31 L. & HIST. REV. (2013).

Review, *The Sympathetic State: Disaster Relief and the Origins of the American Welfare State* (2012), JOTWELL (Oct. 2013).

Review, *This Is Not Civil Rights: Discovering Rights Talk in 1939 America* (2012), 47 J. AM. STUD. 858 (2013).

Review, *Tax and Spend: the Welfare State, Tax Politics, and the Limits of American Liberalism* (2012), JOTWELL (2012).

Poverty Law 101: The Law and History of the U.S. Welfare State, 39 FORDHAM URB. L.J. CITY SQUARE 1 (2012) (invited response to Amy L. Wax).

Review, *Champion of Civil Rights: Judge John Minor Wisdom* (2009), 28 L. & HIST. REV. 268 (2010).

Review, *A People's History of Poverty in America* (2008), 15 J. CHILDREN & POVERTY 141 (2009).

Goldberg v. Kelly, 397 U.S. 254 (1970), *Mathews v. Eldridge, 424 U.S. 319 (1976)*, and *Lalli v. Lalli, 439 U.S.259 (1978)*, *in* ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES (Macmillan/Gale, 2008).

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL & TEACHING EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LAW SCHOOL, Philadelphia, PA (2008-10)
Taught courses on employment discrimination law and social welfare law.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, Department of History, Philadelphia, PA (2005-06)
Led discussion sections and graded written work in courses on American Legal History, U.S. War and Diplomacy, and American Capitalism.

DECHERT, LLP, Philadelphia, PA (2005, 2006)
Summer Associate

PROFESSIONAL PRESENT-ATIONS

Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association, November 2013.

Legal History Workshop, Harvard University, September 2013.

Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, May 2013.

Annual Meeting of the Organization of American Historians, April 2013.

Legal History Workshop, University of Michigan Law School, March 2013.

Legal History Workshop, Stanford Law School, January 2013.

Annual Meeting of the American Society for Legal History, November 2012.

Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association, November 2012.

Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, January 2012.

Center for the Study of Law and Society, University of California, Berkeley, November 2011.

Faculty Workshop, Santa Clara Law, October 2011.

Symposium on Women's Legal History: A Global Perspective, IIT Chicago-Kent, October 2011.

War on Poverty: Reflections on Poverty Policy Past and Present, Dartmouth College, October 2011.

Annual Meeting of the American Society for Legal History, November 2010.

Biennial Conference on Policy History, June 2010.

Annual Meeting of the American Society for Legal History, November 2009.

J. Willard Hurst Summer Institute in Legal History, June 2009.

Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, May 2009.

Faculty Workshop, University of Pennsylvania School of Law, Spring 2009.

Annual Meeting of the American Society for Legal History, November 2006.

War on Poverty Conference, Shelby Cullom Davis Center for Historical Studies at Princeton University, November 2003.

OTHER FELLOWSHIPS, PRIZES & AWARDS

Research Award from the Hellman Fellows Fund, University of California, Berkeley, 2013.

John A. Heinz Dissertation Award, National Academy of Social Insurance, 2012.

William Nelson Cromwell Fellowship (awarded by the William Nelson Cromwell Foundation, with the advice of the American Society for Legal History), 2010.

Fellow (one of twelve), J. Willard Hurst Summer Institute in Legal History (co-sponsored by the American Society for Legal History and the University of

Wisconsin Institute for Legal Studies), 2009.

Dean's Scholar (one of ten) (for "exceptional academic performance and intellectual promise"), University of Pennsylvania School of Arts and Sciences, Graduate Division, 2007.

Fred. G. Leebron Memorial Prize (Best Paper in Constitutional Law), University of Pennsylvania Law School, 2007.

Kathryn T. Preyer Scholars Prize, American Society for Legal History, 2006.

SERVICE

Professional

American Society for Legal History, Board of Directors, 2013-present.

American Society for Legal History, Kathryn T. Preyer Memorial Committee, 2012-present.

Legal History Blog, Blogger (with Mary Dudziak, Daniel Ernst, and Tomiko Brown-Nagin), 2010-present.

JOTWELL, Contributing Editor, Legal History Section, 2012-present.

H-Law, Editorial Board, 2010-present.

American Society for Legal History, Board of Directors - elected graduate student representative, 2008-10.

University of Pennsylvania Law and History Consortium, co-coordinator, 2006-10.

Law School

Ph.D. Programs Committee, 2013-14

Faculty Workshop co-coordinator, 2013.

Thelen Marrin Prize Committee, 2013.

Jurisprudence and Social Policy Program Search Committee, 2012-13.

Academic Placement Committee, 2011-12.

J.S.D. dissertation committee (Yen-Chi Liu), 2011.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Society for Legal History; Law and Society Association; Organization of American Historians; American Historical Association.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Teaching certificate from the University of Pennsylvania School of Arts and Sciences Center for Teaching and Learning, 2009.