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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Stanford Law School

Professor of Law, Robert E. Paradise Faculty Fellow for Excellence in Teaching & Research, 2014 – present

Professor, Stanford Doerr School of Sustainability, 2022 – present

- Awarded the Early Career Scholars Medal by the American Law Institute (2019)
- Senior Fellow, Woods Institute for the Environment
- Faculty Affiliate, Stanford Center on Poverty & Inequality, Stanford Center for Comparative Studies of Race & Ethnicity, and the Program on Urban Studies
- Faculty Advisory Board, Stanford Impact Labs

Harvard Law School

Louis D. Brandeis Visiting Professor of Law, Winter 2022

Visiting Professor of Law, Spring 2015

Columbia Law School

Visiting Professor of Law, Fall 2015

University of California, Berkeley School of Law

Assistant Professor of Law, 2008 – 2014

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley School of Law

J.D., 2004, Order of the Coif

Comment: *Colorblind Segregation: Equal Protection as a Bar to Neighborhood Integration*

- Awarded the 2004 Thelen-Marrin Prize for Law Journal Writing

London School of Economics and Political Science

M.Sc. in Regional and Urban Planning, with Distinction, 2000

Thesis: “Registered Social Landlords & Neighborhood-Based Regeneration”

Yale University

B.A. in History, with Distinction, 1997

Thesis: “The American Press and Emerging Environmentalism, 1962-69”

- Awarded the Edwin W. Small Prize for best senior essay in the field of American History

PUBLICATIONS

Scholarship

THE FIGHT TO SAVE THE TOWN: REIMAGINING DISCARDED AMERICA (Simon & Schuster, 2022)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAW, CASES AND MATERIALS, 7th Edition (with Gerald E. Frug, Richard T. Ford, & David J. Barron) (2022)

From Steel to Health Care to Broke, LPE Project (Mar., 2022)

Resource Extraction, in ANTIDEMOCRACY IN AMERICA: TRUTH, POWER, AND THE REPUBLIC AT RISK (Eric Klinenberg, Caitlin Zaloom, and Sharon Marcus, eds.) (2019)

The Imperative of Democracy in Times of Austerity, 87 REVISTA JURÍDICA DE LA UNIVERSIDAD DE PUERTO RICO 655 (2018)

Losing the War of Attrition: Mobility, Chronic Decline, and Infrastructure, 127 YALE L. J. FORUM 522 (2017)

Needing and Fearing Billionaires in Cities Abandoned by Wealth (Symposium: 2015 American Constitution Society Conference on Inequality), 35 YALE L. & POL'Y REV. 235 (2016)

Who Needs Local Government Anyway? A Consideration of Dissolution in Pennsylvania's Distressed Cities, 24 WIDENER L.J. 149 (2015) (Symposium)

The Western, Rural Rustbelt: Learning From Local Fiscal Crisis in Oregon, 50 WILLAMETTE L. R. 465 (2014) (Symposium)

The New Minimal Cities, 123 YALE L. J. 1118 (2014)

Democratic Dissolution: Radical Experimentation in State Takeovers of Local Governments (2011-2012 Cooper Walsh Colloquium), 39 FORDHAM URBAN L. J. 577 (2012)

Dissolving Cities, 121 YALE L. J. 1364 (2012)

Appendices available at: http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2016680

Sprawl's Shepherd: The Rural County, 99 CAL. L. REV. 365 (2012)

Property Law: Implied Bias and the Spatial Colorline, in JUSTIN D. LEVINSON AND ROBERT J. SMITH (eds.), IMPLICIT RACIAL BIAS ACROSS THE LAW (2012) (with Victoria Plaut)

Making a Regional School District: Memphis City Schools Dissolves into its Suburbs, 111 COLUM. L. REV. SIDEBAR 47 (2012)

Mapped Out of Local Democracy, 62 STAN. L. REV. 931 (2010)

Mapped Out of Local Democracy, THE LEGAL WORKSHOP (Aug. 16, 2010) available at: <http://legalworkshop.org>

Between State and Local: A Response to Professor Reynolds, 86 DENV. U. L. REV. 1303 (2009)

Cities Inside Out: Race, Poverty, and Exclusion at the Urban Fringe, 55 UCLA L. REV. 1095 (2008)

Comment, *Colorblind Segregation: Equal Protection as a Bar to Neighborhood Integration*, 92 CAL. L. REV. 841 (2004)

Popular Press

Why Newsom Should Make Goodwin Liu California's Next Attorney General, MERCURY NEWS (Jan. 26, 2021)

The Time for a Nationwide Eviction Moratorium Is Now, THE HILL (July 27, 2020) (with Shamus Roller)

Property Law as Poverty Law, LPEblog.org (Feb. 6, 2019)

The Racial Wealth Gap and the Question of Time Zero, LPEblog.org (Feb. 6, 2019)

The Big Picture: Resource Extraction, PUBLICBOOKS.ORG (Oct. 12, 2017)

Assessing the Local Government Toolkit for Healthy Housing, The BLOCK Project, MEDIUM.COM (June 12, 2017)

Ben Carson should approach HUD the way he did medicine: First do no harm, LA TIMES (Jan. 12, 2017) (with Shamus Roller)

It's Time for a Poor People's Movement, BILLMOYERS.COM (Nov. 11, 2016)

The Fight to Relieve Puerto Rico's Debt Crisis In Congress's Hands, STANFORD LAWYER (June 14, 2016)

Puerto Rico's Desperate Winter, NEW YORK TIMES (Dec. 8, 2015)

On Texas Dept of Housing and Community Affairs v. Inclusive Communities Project, STANFORD LAWYER (June 26, 2015)

Should Rauner cut pensions to lower debt? CHICAGO TRIBUNE (May 4, 2015)

There are no winners in Stockton or Detroit, SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE (Nov. 12, 2014)

Detroit: What a city owes its residents, LA TIMES (July 24, 2013)

Let's Ensure Energy Efficiency is Also Socially Equitable, SAN JOSE MERCURY NEWS (Jan. 9, 2009) (with Steven Weissman)

RESEARCH & TEACHING

Research: Local government law; specifically: poverty in the context of municipal governance, fiscal crisis, land ownership, just transition, and environmental justice

Courses: Property Law, Local Government Law, Cities in Distress, Environmental Justice, Environmental Justice Practice Project, the Santa Clara County Counsel Law & Policy Project, Introduction to Antidiscrimination Law

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Shute, Mihaly & Weinberger LLP, San Francisco, California

Environmental Law Fellow, October 2006 – June 2008

Practiced land use, environmental, and local government law.

Chief Justice Earl Warren Institute on Race, Ethnicity and Diversity, Boalt Hall School of Law

Research Fellow, July 2006 – September 2006

Research Affiliate, October 2006 – present

Conducted scholarly research into unincorporated urban areas and the problem of municipal exclusion; research collaboration with the University of North Carolina Center for Civil Rights.

The Honorable Guido Calabresi, United States Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

Law Clerk, July 2005 – July 2006

The Honorable Marilyn Hall Patel, United States District Court, Northern District of California

Law Clerk, August 2004 – July 2005

Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights of the San Francisco Bay Area, San Francisco, California

Legal Intern, June – August 2003; January – May 2004

Conducted legal and factual research for municipal services discrimination lawsuit; drafted motions and research memoranda for asylum, employment, and voting rights cases.

Legal Aid of Marin, San Rafael, California

Legal Intern, June – August 2002

Drafted research memoranda in housing, employment, and child welfare practice areas; conducted client case management.

Gerald Frug, Louis D. Brandeis Professor of Law, Harvard Law School, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Research Assistant, March – June 2001

Proposed and conducted research on European models of urban governance.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Urban Unit, European Commission, Brussels, Belgium

Stagiaire (competitive program for graduate students), *September 2000 – February 2001*

Drafted reports and evaluations of urban regeneration projects in 26 European cities; served as Co-Editor of monthly journal for stagiaires concerning the European Union.

Colin Buchanan & Partners Consultants, London, United Kingdom

Graduate Urban Planning Consultant, June – September 2000

Policy analysis concerning affordable housing and land use issues for local and regional government clients.

Evan Harris, Member of Parliament, London, United Kingdom

Graduate Researcher, January – March 2000

Researched and briefed current legislative issues; organized legislative campaign to prevent predatory lending.

Leadership, Education, and Athletics in Partnership (LEAP), New Haven, Connecticut

Associate Director of Development, August 1997 – August 1999

Interim Director of Development, March – June 1998

Wrote grant applications generating over \$3 million for a youth program based in Connecticut public housing neighborhoods; served as lead writer for organization's publications and public relations materials.

Fernandez and Associates, New Haven, Connecticut

Consultant, January 1998 – August 1999

Wrote consulting reports on issues of urban youth development and community organizing for the Soros Foundation and Connecticut Commission on National & Community Service.

New Haven Advocate, New Haven, Connecticut

Writer and Researcher for Newspaper's Welfare Reform Special Issue, January – April 1997

The Yale Herald, New Haven, Connecticut

Writer, News & Features Editor, Opinion Editor, and Senior Editor, 1995 – 1997

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

“The Fight to Save the Town,” *Lane Lecture*, University of Nebraska-Lincoln School of Law (Nov. 2020)

“The Fight to Save the Town”/“Living Places, Dying Governments” (drafts and excerpts)

presented at the following faculty/public law workshops: University of Houston School of Law (Jan. 2020); Florida State University College of Law (Feb. 2019); University of Minnesota Law School (Oct. 2017); Fordham Law School (Aug. 2017); University of North Carolina School of Law (Nov. 2016); University of Pennsylvania School of Law (Apr. 2016); Columbia Law School (Oct. 2015); Stanford Law School (Nov. 2015); Harvard Law School (March 2015); University of Chicago School of Law (Jan. 2015)

Governing the City, *Chartering the City Conference*, Yale Law School (Feb. 2019)

“Man in the Arena,” *Law and Rurality Workshop*, U.C. Davis School of Law (Feb. 2019)

Keynote Address, *Law in Times of Disaster Symposium*, University of Puerto Rico School of Law (Apr. 2018)

“The Big Picture: Resource Extraction,” *“What’s at Stake?” Public Books Convening*, N.Y.U. Institute for Public Knowledge (Aug. 2017)

Keynote Address, *Faculty Retreat*, University of Colorado Law School (May 2017)

Presenter, *Convening on Law, Inequality and the Social Sciences*, Institute for Advance Study in Toulouse, Toulouse School of Economics, France (Dec. 2016)

Presenter, “Can Cities Govern?” *The Modernity of Work and Place: Jane Jacobs and the Design of the 21st Century City Symposium*, University of Virginia School of Architecture (Nov. 2016)

Speaker, *GSAPP Lectures in Planning Series*, Columbia University (Nov. 2016)

Speaker, *The Marron Institute of Urban Management*, New York University (Nov. 2016)

Speaker, *Stanford Alumni Association Events*, New York City, Los Angeles, Chicago, and Detroit (2016)

Panelist, “A Glass Half Empty – Flint, Environmental Justice, and America’s Drinking Water Infrastructure Problem,” *American Bar Association Environmental, Energy, & Natural Resources Law Fall Conference* (Oct. 2016)

Panelist, “Could Stanford do More to Promote a More Intelligent Society?” (with Francis Fukuyama, Michael Krist, and Andrew Schwartz), *Alumni Weekend*, Stanford University (Oct. 2016)

Keynote Address, *Crisis: Lessons from Flint on the Capacities and Limits of State Governments Conference*, Indiana University School of Law (Sept. 2016)

Keynote Address, *Rebuilding the American Dream Conference*, University of Michigan Law School (March 2016)

Panelist, “President’s Welcome and Reunion Forum: From Inequality to Equal Opportunity,” *Alumni Weekend*, Stanford University (Oct. 2015)

“Billionaire Federalism,” *American Constitution Society Conference on Inequality*, Yale Law School (Oct. 2015)

Panelist, “Cities in Distress: Is Chapter 9 the Best Vehicle for Saving Cities and Providing Needed Governmental Services?” *The Bay Area Bankruptcy Forum* (Jan. 2015)

“Self-Determination or Gentrification: The Fight for East Palo Alto,” *Panel discussion and keynote with Reverend Jesse Jackson*, Stanford University (Jan. 2015)

Panelist, “Motor City Revival: Envisioning the Future of Detroit,” U.C. Berkeley College of Environmental Design (with Jennifer Granholm and Toni Griffin) (Dec. 2014)

Commenter, *Poverty & Place Conference*, Center for Poverty Research, U.C. Davis (Nov. 2014)

Panelist, “The Future of State and Municipal Pensions” *ABA Section on Labor and Employment Law Annual Conference* (Nov. 2014)

Panelist, “Law Schools and the New Prosperity Law,” *Conference: The New Prosperity Law: Expanding Opportunity and Reducing Inequality - 50 Years After the War on Poverty*, Thelton E. Henderson Center for Social Justice, U.C. Berkeley School of Law (Oct. 2014)

“First Person” Speaker and Panel Moderator, *Shaking the Foundations: West Coast Progressive Lawyering Conference*, Stanford Law School (Oct. 2014)

Commenter, *Human Rights and the Environment Transnational Conference*, Stanford Human Rights Center (Oct. 2014)

Panelist, “Cities in Distress: Is Chapter 9 the Best Vehicle for Saving Cities and Providing Needed Governmental Services?” *Northern District of California 2014 Judicial Conference* (Apr. 2014)

“Local Government Dissolution in Pennsylvania: Rethinking When and Why to Retain a City in Fiscal Distress,” *Bankruptcy and Beyond: Solving the Problem of Municipal Financial Distress Symposium*, Widener Law Review, Widener Law School (Apr. 2014)

“Detroit in National Perspective,” *Beyond Bankruptcy: Organizing for Change in Distressed Cities Conference*, hosted by The Haas Institute at U.C. Berkeley, The Damon J. Keith Center for Civil Rights at Wayne State University, and Metropolitan Organizing Strategy Enabling Strength (MOSES) (Apr. 2014)

“A Western, Rural Rustbelt: Learning From Local Fiscal Crisis in Oregon,” *Under Pressure: Fiscal and Regional Difficulties Facing Local Governments Symposium*, Willamette Law School (Feb. 2014)

“Pure Privatization: Service Shedding by Cities in Fiscal Crisis,” *Conference: Crisis in the Public Workplace, 2014 Municipal Law Institute Conference*, U.C. Berkeley School of Law (Feb. 2014)

“Shrinking Governance,” *Poverty & Place: Local Governments in Fiscal Distress Panel*, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting (May 2013)

“The New Minimal Cities,” presented at: *Faculty Workshop*, U.C. Berkeley School of Law (Aug. 2013); *Faculty Workshop*, Stanford Law School (May 2013); *Local Government Law Works-in-Progress*, Chapman Law School (Oct. 2013)

“The Lost Cities of Oklahoma: the All-Black Town Movement,” *The Judge Stephanie K. Seymour Lecture*, University of Tulsa College of Law (Dec. 2012)

“Dissolving Cities,” presented at: *Yale Law Journal Workshop*, Yale Law School (Mar. 2012); *Faculty Workshops* at: U.C. Los Angeles School of Law (Feb. 2012); Notre Dame School of Law (Jan. 2012); U.C. Irvine School of Law (Apr. 2011); University of Texas School of Law (Apr. 2011); Duke Law School (Apr. 2011); State University of New York at Buffalo Law School (Nov. 2010); *2011 AALS Mid-Year Meeting of the Section on Women in Legal Education: Women Rethinking Equality* (June 2011); *Progressive Property Scholars Roundtable* (June 2010)

“De Facto Dissolution: Radical Experimentation in State Takeovers of Local Governments,” *2011-2012 Cooper Walsh Colloquium*, Fordham Urban Law Journal, Fordham University School of Law (Nov. 2011)

Panelist, “Local Fiscal Distress,” *Sustainable Economic Development Strategies in Lean Fiscal Times Conference*, U.C. Berkeley School of Law & U.C. Berkeley College of Environmental Design (Nov. 2011)

“Introduction to Spatial Inequality and Municipal Underbounding,” *Spatial Inequality and Municipal Underbounding Conference*, Nat’l Legal Aid & Defender Assoc., Moore County, North Carolina (June 2010)

Panelist, “Teaching the Frontier: Class Issues in Constitutional Law and Spatial Discrimination,” *Vulnerable Populations and Economic Realities: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Law Teaching Conference*, Society of American Law Teachers and Golden Gate University School of Law (Mar. 2010)

Panelist, “The Legal and Political Origins of the State’s Current Fiscal Crisis,” *Waking from the California Dream: Past, Present, and Future of California’s Fiscal Constitution Symposium*, U.C. Hastings College of the Law (Feb. 2010)

“Mapped Out of Local Democracy,” presented at: *Section on State and Local Government Law Panel: City as Political Actor: Power, Boundaries, Responsibilities*, Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting (Jan.

2010); *Faculty Workshops* at Loyola Law School Los Angeles (Oct. 2009) and U.C. Davis School of Law (Oct. 2009); *Panel, Land, Water, Poverty, and Community at the Rural-Urban Interface*, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting (May 2009)

Panelist, “The Future of Minority Civic Engagement,” *Crossroads, the Changing Face of Democracy Symposium*, Stanford Law School (Apr. 2009)

Moderator, “Off the Grid and Out of Luck: Water Access Outside the City,” *Just Water? Solving an Environmental Justice Crisis Symposium*, U.C. Berkeley School of Law (Feb. 2009)

Commenter, “Home Rule, Extraterritorial Impact, and the Region” (by Laurie Reynolds), *Conference, Home Rule: 16th Ira C. Rothgerber, Jr.*, University of Colorado Law School (Jan. 2009)

“Mapped Out of Local Democracy: Exclusion and Environmental Justice at the Urban Fringe,” *Presentation*, John Muir Institute of the Environment, U.C. Davis (Jan. 2009)

Panelist, “Land Use Policy Reforms: Building Just and Sustainable Communities From the Ground Up,” *From Protection to Empowerment: Policy Solutions to Ensure Equal Access to the Green Economy Symposium*, U.C. Berkeley School of Law (Apr. 2008)

“Colorblind Segregation: Equal Protection as a Bar to Housing Integration,” *Spaces of Exclusion: Housing, Homelessness, Property, and Citizenship in Contemporary Urban Space Panel*, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting (June 2003)

SERVICE

National Housing Law Project

Chair, Board of Directors, 2017– present

Member, Board of Directors, 2014 – 2017

East Bay Community Law Center

Member, Board of Directors, 2010 – present

Pro-Bono Amicus Briefs

California Renters Legal Advocacy and Education Fund, et al. v. City of San Mateo, et al.,
Signatory/Supporting Role (Cal. Ct. of Appeal, First Appellate Dist. 2021)

Apartment Association of Los Angeles County v. City of Los Angeles, *Signatory/Supporting Role* (U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit 2021)

City and County of San Francisco, et al. v. Donald Trump, *Signatory/Supporting Role* (U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit 2018)

Cleveland Nat'l Forest Fdn. v. San Diego Association of Gov'ts, *Lead Author* (Cal. Sup. Ct. 2015)

Orange Citizens for Parks & Recreation v. Superior Court, *Lead Author* (Cal. Sup. Ct. 2014)

Schutte v. Coalition to Defend Affirmative Action, *Signatory/Supporting Role* (U.S. Sup. Ct. 2013)

Town of Mount Holly v. Mt. Holly Gardens Citizens, *Signatory/Supporting Role* (U.S. Sup. Ct. 2013)

Academic Committee Service (highlights)

Stanford School of Sustainability: Appointments Committee (Environmental Justice/Sustainable Development) (2022)

Stanford University: Steering Group Member, Engagement Beyond Our University (Long-Range Planning, 2017-18); Faculty Advisory Board, Stanford Impact Labs (2020-present)

Stanford Law School: Clerkships Committee (Chair 2015-22, Member 2014-15)

U.C. Berkeley School of Law: Appointments Committee (2013-14); Admissions Committee (2009-10); Academic Careers Committee (2010-2012); Junior Faculty Working Group Co-Chair (2011-2012); Henderson Center for Social Justice Faculty Advisory Committee (2010-2014)

Junior Faculty Reviewer/Commenter

Culp Colloquium (June 2018 & 2020); Stanford/Harvard/Yale Junior Faculty Forum (2020); Law and Humanities Junior Scholars Workshop (Feb. 2015)

National Endowment for the Humanities

Public Humanities Projects Grant Review Panel, Oct. 2016

Association of American Law Schools, Section on State and Local Government Law

Chair, 2014, Executive Committee Member, 2009 – 2014

Association of American Law Schools, Scholarly Papers Award Review Committee

Chair, 2016, Committee Member 2014

Community Equity Initiative (a joint project of California Rural Legal Assistance and PolicyLink)

Member, Advisory Committee, 2008 – 2013

BAR ADMISSION

California (2004)