

# Stanford Law School

## Public Interest Fellows 2014 - 2015

Each year, Stanford Law School names as Public Interest Fellows third-year students who have a history of public service, provide leadership within the law school, and are committed to beginning their careers as lawyers in the public service. Fellows serve a variety of roles within the law school – they mentor first-year students, provide policy direction for the Center and the law school, have direct access to the law school administration regarding myriad issues related to public interest, and engage in direct programming with the assistance of the Levin Center staff.



### **Jessica Dragonetti**

Jessica grew up around the South, with the most important stints in Tennessee and North Carolina, and then moved to the big city. She graduated from the University of Chicago in 2009 with a B.A. in Anthropology and Near Eastern Languages & Civilizations. After college,

she worked in rural and urban South Africa, at a social-justice-oriented seminary in Chicago, and at a newly founded Turkish university. At Stanford, she is involved with the Social Security Disability Project, the Iraqi Legal Education Initiative, and the Community Law Clinic. Jessica spent her 1L summer at the Federal Public Defender for the Middle District of Tennessee and split her 2L summer between the Metro-Nashville Public Defender and Southern Migrant Legal Services. She will work for a judge in Memphis after graduation. In her free time, Jessica enjoys hiking, food, and live music, especially old country and jazz.



### **Farbod Faraji**

Farbod is a slam poet and lover of all things public interest. He was born in Iran, but raised in San Diego, CA. As an undergrad at Stanford, he majored in Political Science with a focus on U.S.-Iran relations. After college, Farbod worked for a year at the ACLU's National Security Project

in New York. During his 1L summer, he worked at Bay Area Legal Aid's Youth Justice Project in Oakland and the Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia's Housing Law Unit. At SLS, Farbod has served as the Public Interest Liaison for the Student Law

Association, Co-Chair of Shaking the Foundations, and Co-Vice President of the American Constitution Society. During his 2L summer, Farbod was a Ford Fellow at the Center for Constitutional Rights (CCR), working in their Guantanamo Global Justice Initiative docket area. For the fall of his 3L year, he will be in the International Human Rights and Conflict Resolution Clinic. After graduation, Farbod will clerk in the Southern District of New York and hopes to practice as a civil rights/liberties attorney.



### **Elizabeth Foydel**

Lizzy grew up just outside Chicago. She graduated from Columbia University in 2012, where she studied Political Science and French and explored her interest in human rights through internships at Amnesty International and the International Center for

Transitional Justice. After college she came straight through to Stanford. At SLS she works on the the Iraqi Refugee Assistance Project, the international human rights pro bono project, the Stanford Journal of International Law, and the Rwanda Legal Development Project. She spent her 1L summer at the Human Rights Institute at Columbia in New York, and her second summer as a Ford Fellow with Human Rights Watch's International Justice Program. This fall she is away taking comparative law courses and brushing up on her French at the Sciences Po in Paris, but she looks forward to meeting the new class of public interest students when she returns in January! After law school she hopes to work in international humanitarian and human rights law and transitional justice.

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#### **Jon Frank**

Jon grew up in Milwaukee Wisconsin and spent a year in Hsin Chu, Taiwan, before attending Swarthmore College where he studied political science and history and was very involved in the College Democrats. After graduating he taught English for a year in Madrid, Spain. At

SLS he participated in the Criminal Defense Clinic, Three Strikes Project, American Constitution Society, Housing Pro Bono, and OUTLAW. He spent his 1L summer at the ACLU Criminal Law Reform project in New York City, working on impact litigation cases, and his 2L at the Federal Public Defender in San Francisco. After graduation, he hopes to work on drug policy reform in the Bay Area. Jon loves dogs and politics.



#### **Amelia Green**

Amelia was born and raised in North Carolina. She graduated from Columbia University, where she studied Political Science and Latin American and Iberian Cultures. At SLS, Amelia has served on the board of Stanford Journal of Civil Rights and

Civil Liberties, the Housing Pro Bono, the Black Law Students Association, and the 2013 Shaking the Foundations Progressive Lawyering Conference. She has also participated in the Community Law Clinic and the Three Strikes Project. Amelia spent her 1L summer working with low-income tenants in the Housing and Impact Litigation Unit of Bet Tzedek Legal Services in Los Angeles. Amelia split her 2L summer between Jenner & Block and the plaintiffs' side civil rights firm Neufeld Scheck & Brustin. After graduation, Amelia will clerk on the Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit and then hopes to pursue a career as a civil rights attorney.



#### **Matt Henry**

Matt Henry is originally from Ithaca, New York. He moved to the Bay Area in 2009, after graduating from Cornell University, and has slowly gotten used to the lack of real seasons here. Matt worked for two years as an investigator on capital

habeas corpus petitions, and then worked for a year in a small plaintiff's side civil litigation firm before coming to Stanford. While at Stanford, Matt has worked with the Stanford Three Strikes Project, Iraqi Refugee Assistance Project, and the Criminal Defense Clinic. His first summer, Matt worked at the San Francisco Public Defender's Office, and he spent his second summer at the San Jose Office of the Federal Defender. Perhaps not surprisingly, Matt is planning on working in criminal defense. In his spare time, Matt enjoys going for hikes with his Belgian Shepherd, Salem, and playing basketball.



#### **Elizabeth Hook**

Elizabeth grew up in southern California and graduated from the University of California, Irvine with a degree in Biological Sciences. After college, Elizabeth worked for a few years in the Pacific Northwest and southern California as a field biologist.

Pursuing her interest in environmental law at Stanford, she has participated in the Environmental Law Clinic, is one of the Editors-in-Chief of the Stanford Environmental Law Journal, and as one of the presidents of the Environmental Law Society, she developed a pro bono project with the Sierra Club. She spent her 1L summer at the Western Environmental Law Center in Eugene, Oregon and her 2L summer as a Ford Fellow with the Natural Resources Defense Council in Chicago. After law school Elizabeth hopes to work on conservation and energy policy.

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### **Kip M. Hustace**

Born in Honolulu and brought up on the Big Island of Hawai'i, Kip graduated from Stanford in 2011 with a degree in literature and ethics. After college he worked as an editorial assistant at Boston Review, a literary-political magazine. At SLS he has served on the boards of the Native American Law Students Association, the Stanford Journal of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, and the American Constitution Society. Kip has also worked with the Three Strikes Project to represent a prisoner seeking resentencing and with the Youth and Education Law Project to represent students in special education and school discipline matters. He spent his 1L summer in the civil division at the U.S. Attorney's Office in San José, his 2L summer as a Ford Fellow at the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund in San Antonio. At MALDEF he worked on a redistricting trial, in which a coalition of nonprofits and the U.S. Department of Justice sued Texas under the Voting Rights Act and the Constitution. Kip hopes to work in voting rights after law school and enjoys cooking, hiking, and playing piano.



### **Sarah Jabero**

Sarah grew up in Baghdad and left in 2004 when she moved to Damascus. In Damascus, she was a refugee involved with the UNHCR and the Sisters of the Good Shepherd, working on various projects to serve the needs of Iraqi refugees, from leading a team at a community services center, to counseling children who had dropped out of school to join the workforce and help their families survive. In 2008, she came to the United States for asylum. She attended Dartmouth College that same year, where she majored in Government. Although she was a second-year medical student when she left Baghdad, she developed a strong interest in law during her few years of being a refugee, and decided to be a prosecutor after her freshman summer internship at Cook County State's Attorney's Office. Sarah's interest in being a Public Interest Fellow stems from a deep commitment to

public service. She worked on criminal appeals at the California Department of Justice her 1L summer, representing the People of California in oral argument in front of the Court of Appeal, participated in the Prosecution Clinic her 2L winter and joined the Criminal Division of the United States Department of Justice this past summer. She was also Co-Editor-in-Chief of the Stanford Journal of Criminal Law and Social Chair for the Criminal Law Society during her 2L year. In her free time, she enjoys yoga, PC gaming, and has recently picked up indoor climbing.



### **Andrew Kushner**

Andrew grew up in Portland, Oregon and graduated from Pomona College in 2009 with a degree in English. After college, he taught English in France for a year and then worked for two years as a paralegal at the Federal Trade Commission in Washington, D.C. At Stanford, Andrew helped found the Stanford Journal of Criminal Law and Policy and competed for two years on the mock trial team. He participated in the Supreme Court Litigation Clinic last year and is looking forward to returning for advanced work sometime during his 3L year. Andrew spent his first summer in Los Angeles at the Criminal Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Central District of California. During his 2L summer, he worked for Altshuler Berzon, a union-side labor and employment firm in San Francisco. After law school, he will clerk in Los Angeles.



### **Neel Lalchandani**

Neel grew up in Oakland, California and graduated from Penn in 2010 with a degree in Political Science. After graduation, Neel delayed the real world by taking part in a series of fellowship programs. He spent a summer in France studying human rights as a Humanity in Action fellow, served as a teaching fellow at an all-boys high school in Chicago, and participated in the Coro Fellows Program in Public Affairs in San Francisco. At Stanford, Neel is

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Co-President of the American Constitution Society, a member of the Iraq Legal Education Initiative, and is returning to the Community Law Clinic this fall. He spent his first summer working at the intersection of national security and civil liberties as a Ford Fellow at Human Rights First in New York. Neel spent the first half of his 2L summer at Jenner & Block and the second half at the Department of Justice in the Civil Rights Division. After graduation, Neel will be clerking in the Central District of California.

She's enjoyed competing with the Mock Trial team and participating with the Community Law Clinic, Street Law, and the Iraqi Refugee Assistance Project. She spent her 1L summer working with the State of Alaska Attorney General's Environmental Section and her 2L summer between Hogan Lovells and working with California Rural Legal Assistance's Indigenous Program.



### **Michelle Lamy**

Michelle grew up just outside Boston, Massachusetts, and graduated from Boston College in 2009 with a degree in Economics and Gender Studies. She then spent three years working as an economic consultant before realizing she absolutely did

not want to be an economist. At Stanford, she has participated in the Community Law Clinic, Stanford Journal of Civil Rights & Civil Liberties, Law Students for Reproductive Justice, Stanford Law Association, Naturalization Pro Bono, and Mock Trial team. She spent her 1L summer (and much of her 2L year) working at Lewis, Feinberg, Lee, Renaker & Jackson, a plaintiff's employment law firm located in Oakland, and her 2L summer at Lieff Cabraser Heimann & Bernstein, another plaintiff's firm based in San Francisco. After graduation, she will clerk in the Northern District of California, and hopes to follow her time there with a return to social justice litigation.



### **Nikki Marquez**

Nikki grew up in Monterey Park, California prior to attending Stanford University where she studied Public Policy and Economics. After undergrad, Nikki bounced around a bit working at a law firm, Google, and completing a MA in International

Relations and Economics from Johns Hopkins SAIS. Prior to law school, Nikki worked at several non-profits focusing on anti-human trafficking legislative advocacy, economic security for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault, and re-entry assistance for current and former offenders. This work convinced her to attend law school where she has focused on public interest and social justice issues. At SLS, Nikki has participated in the Immigrants' Rights Clinic, immigration pro bono, and international human rights pro bono. She served as co-President of the Iraqi Refugee Assistance Project, the Timor-Leste Legal Education Project, and the Stanford International Human Rights Law Association. Nikki is also involved in Shaking the Foundations, Stanford Public Interest Law Foundation, and Law Students for Reproductive Justice. During her 1L summer, Nikki was a Ford Fellow working at a women's rights law firm in Beijing and the ABA's Rule of Law Initiative. She spent her 2L summer at the ACLU's Immigrants' Rights Project. After SLS, Nikki plans to continue working on social justice issues. In her free time, Nikki loves to travel, hike near Tahoe, and bake.



### **Kori Lorick**

Kori grew up in South Carolina and graduated from the College of William and Mary with a degree in International Relations. Before coming to law school, Kori worked with the federal government and with an international non-

profit focused on poverty and health issues. At Stanford, Kori has been Co-Editor-in-Chief of the Stanford Environmental Law Journal, Co-President of the Environmental Law Society, and has served on the executive boards of the Native American Law Students Association and Shaking the Foundations.



### **Kara McBride**

Kara was born and raised in Seattle, Washington prior to attending Boston College where she studied Political Science and Hispanic Studies. Before starting

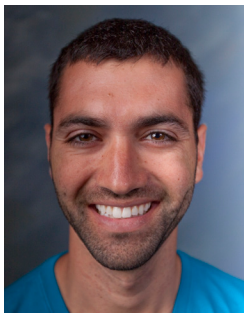
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at Stanford, she worked in refugee resettlement with the International Rescue Committee in Seattle, Washington, and as a paralegal with a plaintiff's civil rights litigation and immigration law firm. During her 1L summer, Kara worked for the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration with the U.S. Permanent Mission to the United Nations in Geneva, where she researched refugee law and policy. While at Stanford, she has participated in the Immigrants' Rights Clinic, the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals Pro Bono Project, Stanford Law Association, the Iraqi Refugee Assistance project (IRAP) and the Iraqi Legal Education Initiative (ILEI). Following graduation, she plans to continue working in immigration law.

She came to Stanford to study environmental law and has participated in the Environmental Law Clinic, the Environmental Law Journal, and the Environmental Law Society. For her 1L summer, Amanda was a Ford Fellow at Environmental Defense Fund in New York City working in the land, water, and wildlife division. She spent her 2L summer at the Center for Biological Diversity in San Francisco working on endangered species issues and other environmental protection projects. She hopes to continue her public interest environmental litigation work after law school with the help of a fellowship.



### **Yonatan Moskowitz**

Yonatan grew up in Los Osos, California. He was an undergrad at Georgetown University, where he studied abroad in Cairo, majored in Economics and Philosophy, and minored in Arabic. He spent a year as Georgetown's Allbritton Scholar at Brasenose College, Oxford,

reading for an M.Sc. in Social Science of the Internet. He volunteered his first summer with the Santa Barbara District Attorney's Office, feeling out criminal and trial work. He spent his second summer at the US Department of Justice, Civil Branch, Appellate Staff learning about civil and an appellate practice. At SLS he served as co-president of the Criminal Law Society, and as Managing Editor of the Stanford Journal of Criminal Law and Policy. He was a Bradley Fellow at the Constitutional Law Center, and participated in the Three Strikes Project in Spring 2014. He will be joining the Organizations and Transactions Clinic in Fall 2014. He hopes to take the Winter 2015 quarter off to travel, volunteer, and decide what he feels comfortable devoting his time to after graduation.



### **Stephany Reaves**

Stephany grew up in Woodbridge, Virginia. She graduated from Yale University in 2010, and decided to attend law school after spending a summer working for the City of New Haven's new Reentry Initiative. She deferred law

school for two years to teach Algebra 1 at Ballou Senior High School in Washington, DC. At Stanford, Stephany has been a co-Editor-in-Chief of the Stanford Journal of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties and a co-President of the Criminal Law Society. For pro bono, she has participated in Street Law, the Lifer Parole Project, and One Justice bus trips. Stephany also participated in Stanford's Criminal Defense Clinic, and is looking forward to the Supreme Court Litigation Clinic this fall. Stephany spent her 1L summer at the Public Defender Service of DC. She split her 2L summer between the litigation firm Williams & Connolly and The Bronx Defenders. After law school she will clerk in Baltimore.



### **Amanda Prasuhn**

Amanda grew up in St. Louis, Missouri and graduated in 2012 from the University of Missouri-Columbia with a degree in biological sciences.



### **Natalia Renta**

Natalia is from San Juan, Puerto Rico. She attended Harvard University, where she majored in Gender Studies and minored in Government. After college, Natalia worked as an immigration paralegal at a New York City nonprofit. At SLS, she is involved with Shaking the

Foundations, Stanford Critical Law Society, Outlaw,

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SLLSA, and the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals Pro Bono Project. During her 1L summer, Natalia worked on California Rural Legal Assistance's LGBT initiatives. She participated in the Immigrants' Rights Clinic during the spring of her 2L year, and will be joining the Community Law Clinic in the winter of her 3L year. During her 2L summer, she worked at Arnold & Porter and at California Rural Legal Assistance.



### **Cassidy Rice**

Cassidy grew up in Myrtle Creek, a rural logging town in Southern Oregon, and is a member of the Cow Creek Umpqua tribe. She graduated from Reed College in 2009 and spent the next three years working in her hometown's lumber mill, teaching high

school in South Korea, and traveling extensively around South Asia. Cassidy is a member of Stanford's NALSA and is a student leader of the Volunteer Attorney Program for Community Legal Services of East Palo Alto. She is a senior editor of the Stanford Law Review and the Stanford Environmental Law Journal. She has participated in the Criminal Defense Clinic as both a full-time and advanced student. Cassidy spent her 1L summer interning with the tribal liaison at the US Attorney's Office for the District of Oregon and her 2L summer with Sonosky Chambers, a small law firm dedicated to representing Native American tribes.



### **Swain Uber**

Swain was born and raised in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He graduated from University of Pittsburgh with a degree in Politics, Philosophy, and Economics after a transient college career involving three universities (Northwestern

University, The New School, and Pitt), and two study abroad programs (Semester At Sea and Buenos Aires). After graduating, he joined the Peace Corps, serving for over two years in Bulgaria. He came to Stanford not entirely sure of what he wanted to do with a law degree, but 100% sure he wanted to continue a life of

public service. He is now pursuing a joint graduate degree (J.D./M.A.) in law and international policy studies at Stanford University. Here, he has had the opportunity to: help the team bringing the currently-pending case *Ashker v. Brown* challenging solitary confinement in California prisons; work on an amicus curiae brief for *Bond v. US*, against the limiting the government's ability to enter into treaties; spend last summer in Bogotá, Colombia with DeJusticia, a Colombian human rights organization, working on business and human rights issues; and participate in the Stanford's International Human Rights and Conflict Resolution Clinic where he worked on prison conditions in Panamá, police reform in Oakland, California, and land rights mobilization in Cambodia. He is currently working at the European Roma Rights Centre in Budapest, Hungary, where he is primarily doing legal research on in Bulgarian and English and drafting memos and complaints on cases involving Roma individuals (e.g. cases concerning police brutality and the failure to investigate crimes, forced sterilizations, hate speech etc.). Though he's not sure where or what, Swain plans to continue working on human rights and social justice issues after graduation.



### **Stacy Villalobos**

Stacy is originally from Claremont, CA. She graduated from Stanford University, with a degree in Political Science and Education. Before law school, she worked as a Legal Fellow at Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP. At SLS, Stacy has participated in the Voting Rights

Pro Bono, Language Bank Pro Bono, and last year, she co-directed the Immigration Pro Bono. Stacy is also an active member of the Stanford Latino Law Students Association, and served on SLLSA's board her 2L year. Stacy is also actively involved in the American Constitution Society (ACS), and she served as Co-Advocacy Chair during her 2L year. Stacy also served at a Networking Chair for the 2013 Shaking the Foundations Public Interest Conference. Stacy is also a member of the Stanford Law Review. During 2L, Stacy participated in the Immigrants' Rights Clinic, and she will be externing at the Legal Aid

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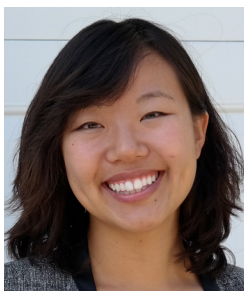
Society Employment Law Center during fall of her 3L year. Stacy spent her first summer at the National Immigration Law Center in Washington, DC as a Ford Foundation Fellow. Stacy spent her 2L summer at Traber & Voorhees, a plaintiff-side civil rights law firm in Pasadena, CA and at the ACLU of Southern California. In the future, she is interested in practicing law that advances the rights of low-wage immigrants and immigrant workers.



### **Rebecca Vogel**

Rebecca grew up in Rockville, Maryland and graduated from Dartmouth College in 2011 with a degree in mathematics and a minor in creative writing. After graduation, she completed a fellowship with California Rural Legal Assistance in San Francisco, analyzing data and

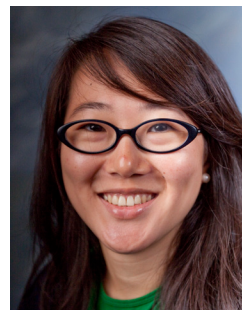
building GIS maps. That was followed by a stint at Assateague Island National Seashore in eastern Maryland, where she performed puppet shows, led beach walks, and otherwise entertained/educated kids on field trips. At Stanford, Rebecca is involved with the Stanford International Human Rights Law Association (SIHRLA), the Social Security Disability Pro-Bono Project, and Stanford Law Review. She spent her 1L summer as a Ford Foundation Fellow with Action Canada for Population and Development in Geneva, Switzerland, working on issues related to sexual and reproductive rights. During her 2L summer, she worked on labor and employment litigation at Altshuler Berzon. She had the time of her life in the Criminal Defense Clinic last year, and is thrilled to be participating in the Community Law Clinic this upcoming winter. She will clerk in federal district court in Houston after law school. Rebecca loves soccer, hiking, and good non-law books.



### **Tiffany Yang**

Tiffany grew up in St. Louis, Missouri and graduated from the University of Southern California with a degree in Comparative Literature. As an undergraduate student, she

served as a JusticeCorps member and assisted indigent pro se litigants navigating housing and family law claims. She later spent a year in South Korea, where she taught English and worked with North Korean refugees as a Fulbright grant recipient. While at Stanford, Tiffany has participated in the Immigrants' Rights Clinic, the Three Strikes Project, the Stanford Law & Visual Media Project, and the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals Pro Bono Project. She has conducted research on language access issues in California State Courts, and she has also served on the executive boards of the Stanford Critical Law Society, the Asian-Pacific Islander Law Students' Association, and the Shaking the Foundations Progressive Lawyering Conference. She spent her 1L summer at the national headquarters of Planned Parenthood, where she worked on federal and state reproductive rights litigation. She split her 2L summer between the litigation firm Boies, Schiller & Flexner and the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, where she worked on immigration-related employment discrimination claims. She is excited to extern at the Federal Public Defender for the Eastern District of Missouri this fall and to participate in the Community Law Clinic this winter. In her free time, she loves exploring the intersections of law, design thinking, and visual advocacy. After graduating from law school, Tiffany will clerk in the Central District of California before pursuing a career that advances the rights of immigrant communities.



### **Emily Zhang**

Emily is a joint degree student who is also pursuing a PhD in political science. She is interested in voting rights issues and the use of data and statistics in litigation more generally. She spent her 2L summer as a Ford fellow at the ACLU Voting Rights Project,

working on litigation challenging elimination of early voting opportunities in North Carolina and Ohio. She spent her 1L summer working at the Chilean Ministry of Finance in Santiago. Before law school, she conducted survey research for a national survey institute in China. Emily enjoys running and making ice cream in her spare time.