

Stanford Law School

2L Public Interest Mentors

2016 - 2017

Each year, the Levin Center at Stanford Law School recruits second-year public interest students to mentor first-year students to help ease the transition to law school and provide personalized advice and support. First-year students can choose to join specific practice area groups (e.g., criminal prosecution, international human rights, or environmental law) or a general public interest group for students with niche interests not covered by existing groups (e.g., animal law) or students who have not yet narrowed their interests.



Faaris (Fares) Akremi

Fares grew up on a farm just outside of Columbia, Missouri where he developed a love for rural hospitality, waving at strangers, and open spaces. He earned degrees in Political Science and Cultural Geography from the University of Missouri,

where he worked for three years with programs designed to improve diversity education for first-year students. As the child of an immigrant family, Fares developed a passion for environmental justice and addressing issues of social injustice through environmental policy. He intends to make a career in environmental law, and interned with the Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Civil Enforcement in Washington, D.C. during his 1L summer. At Stanford, Fares is Editor-in-Chief for the Stanford Journal of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Speakers Czar for OUTLaw, Academic Chair for the Black Law Students Association, a volunteer for the International Refugee Assistance Project pro bono, a member of the Environmental Law Society, and a member of the American Constitution Society's Academic Committee. In his free time, Fares enjoys running, cooking and watching TV (usually in that order) with his boyfriend Ryan, reading fantasy literature, playing MOBAs, and keeping up with his six siblings back in Missouri.



Nicole Allan

Nicole grew up in Los Angeles and graduated from Yale in 2009. She worked as a writer and editor before deciding to come to law school. Most of that time she spent in Washington, DC, at The Atlantic. She did not work directly

with Ta-Nehisi Coates but loves him as much as the rest of you do. She moved to San Francisco in 2014 to help launch The California Sunday Magazine, a gorgeous (if she does say so herself) magazine distributed in major West Coast newspapers and online. At Stanford, she's a policy co-chair for ACS, an academic co-chair for If/When/How: Lawyering for Reproductive Justice, and a StreetLaw teacher, and looks forward to participating in the Supreme Court Litigation Clinic in the spring. She spent

her 1L summer in the civil division of the San Francisco U.S. Attorney's Office and is interested in pursuing civil rights litigation long-term. Outside of school, Nicole enjoys running, hiking, and otherwise taking advantage of suburbia.



Javier Alvarez-Oviedo

Javier was born and raised in New York ("the City"). He graduated from Wesleyan University in 2013 as a History and Sociology Major. For two years after graduation Javier worked as a paralegal in the Queens District Attorney's Office

in their Special Victims Bureau. During his time there he helped form the Child Fatality Unit that specializes in investigating and prosecuting severe child abuse cases. Immediately before arriving at Stanford he backpacked in Thailand, Cambodia, and Vietnam for a month. At SLS he is on the board of the Stanford Latino Law Students Association (SLLSA), serves in SLA, is a chair in the Criminal Law Society, and works with the VAP pro bono program. This past summer Javier worked at the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York in their Securities and Commodities Fraud Task Force. He will be participating in the Criminal Prosecution Clinic in the Winter. In his free time he likes to play Spikeball, watch Hockey, cook, sing karaoke, and dance poorly.



Jonathan Berry-Smith

Jonathan grew up in Orange County, California and majored in Legal Studies at the University of California, Berkeley (Go Bears!). While at Berkeley, he competed on the Track and Field team, volunteered at the local middle school, and taught SAT

classes to underprivileged students. At SLS, Jonathan is a member of the Black Law Students Association (BLSA), volunteers with the Immigration Pro Bono, and is a Co-President of both Youth and Education Advocates (YEA) and the StreetLaw Pro Bono. He enjoys studying the intersection between law and education, and will participate in the Youth and Education Law Project (YELP) clinic

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during the Spring to complement the joint degree he is pursuing with the Graduate School of Education next year. During the summer between his 1L and 2L years, Jonathan worked for the Education Equity division of Public Advocates, a non-profit, public interest law firm in San Francisco.



John Bonacorsi

Originally from St. Louis, Missouri, John graduated from Pomona College in 2012 with a degree in Public Policy Analysis. Before law school, John worked at the Prison Law Office in Berkeley, California, where he worked on class-action lawsuits

challenging unconstitutional prison conditions and traveled to prisons across California to help prisoners access better medical and mental health care. John also worked at the ACLU of Missouri, where he researched and wrote about prison policy. John spent his 1L summer at ArchCity Defenders in St. Louis, Missouri and the Community Justice Project in Miami, Florida. At Stanford, John is currently representing a federal prisoner as part of Stanford's Three Strikes Project. John is a board member on the Stanford Journal of Civil Rights & Civil Liberties and co-coordinator of Stanford's National Lawyers Guild. John also volunteers at Planting Justice, an Oakland-based community organization that offers full-time, green jobs to formerly incarcerated individuals.



Sarah Brim

Sarah grew up in New York City and attended Dartmouth College where she majored in Linguistics with a minor in Classical Languages and Literatures. In college Sarah did research in the

Education Department examining the neurological underpinnings of dyslexia. After graduating in 2013, she worked as a Kindergarten teacher in Brownsville, Brooklyn, with Teach for America. At Stanford, Sarah is the Public Interest Chair of APILSA, and a board member of the Naturalization Pro Bono and Youth and Education Advocates. During her 1L summer, Sarah was a Summer Law Clerk at the Youth Law Center in San Francisco. She looks forward to participating in the Youth and Education Law Project this spring!



Nicole Bronnimann

Nicole is from Tucson, Arizona and graduated from Northwestern University in 2014, where she majored in Creative Writing and Political Science. Before law school, she spent one year teaching

English to German 5th-12th graders as a Fulbright Teaching Assistant in Freiburg, Germany. At Stanford, she is the Mentoring Coordinator of Project ReMade pro bono, Co-President of Biolaw, and a Member Editor of the Stanford Journal of Criminal Law and Policy. For her 1L summer, she interned at the US Attorneys Office in Tucson, working on both civil and criminal cases. She will participate in the Youth and Education Law clinic in the Spring of 2017. Outside of law school, she enjoys running, hiking, salsa dancing, and Dickens novels.



Sophia Carrillo

Sophia is a native Southern Californian. Growing up on the U.S./Mexico border, she developed a passion for international security and border relations. Before law school, Sophia reported on the Drug War in Mexico, studied international courts in

The Hague, and nuclear security. In her "second home" of Washington, D.C., she worked for the Executive Office of the Mayor, served on a non-profit board, and engaged with civic organizations supporting women running for office and advocated for legislation supporting women's rights and security. She enjoyed internships with local District Attorney's office, a bi-national families legal clinic, The Executive Office of the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of California and the Department of Justice's Office of International Affairs. This summer she served with the Office of the Legal Counselor at the U.S. Embassy The Hague, which represents U.S. interests and pending litigation in the international courts. She will also spend time in Dilley, Texas, with a coalition of lawyers representing unaccompanied minors in immigration detention. At Stanford, Sophia is Co-President of the American Constitutional Society and SLS Dems. She is also involved with the International Refugee Assistance Project, Three-Strikes Project, the Executive Board of the Stanford Law & Policy Review, and the Women of Color Collective. She was a delegate to the United Nation's 60th Commission on the Status of Women. Sophia loves traveling, dancing, and reading at the beach.



Melissa Cornell

Melissa is from Tucson, Arizona and attended college at the University of Pennsylvania, where she majored in Political Science and English. Between college and law school, she joined Teach For America and taught ninth grade

science at a charter school in Philadelphia while pursuing her master's degree in education. She also spent a year working on a research project examining the relationship

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between school effectiveness and principal turnover. As a 1L at Penn Law, Melissa served as co-director of the Servicemembers and Veterans Legal Assistance Project and as a board member for the Equal Justice Foundation, a student-run non-profit that raises funds for students to work in the public interest. She spent the summer working in the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York and is looking forward to pursuing pro bono and public interest at Stanford and getting to know the incoming students interested in public service.



Karen Ding

Karen was born in Ithaca, NY, but moved to Auburn, AL before she turned one. After the birth of her younger sister and eight years in Alabama, her family moved out to Iowa City, IA and then to Davis, CA, where her parents still live today. She went to Harvard

University for college, graduating in 2012 with a degree in Economics. Before law school, Karen worked for three years at the Boston Consulting Group's Chicago office. At Stanford, she co-chaired the Stanford Public Interest Law Foundation's annual Bid for Justice Auction and will continue as Auction VP and Treasurer this year. She is also a board member for the Social Security Disability Project pro bono and involved in the Stanford Prison Education Program. Karen spent her 1L summer at the U.S. Attorney's Office in Chicago, IL, and is excited to be participating in the Youth and Education Law Clinic this winter. In her free time, she is an avid drinker of tea, reader of science fiction novels, and lover of all things fitness.



Gemma Donofrio

Gemma grew up on Long Island, New York. She graduated from Haverford College in 2012, with a major in Political Science and a concentration in Peace and Conflict Studies. Before law school, she worked in anti-hunger policy advocacy,

and then served as program manager for a domestic violence drop-in center in San Francisco. At Stanford, she is a coordinator of Housing Pro Bono, development co-editor of the Stanford Journal of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, academic co-chair of If/When/How: Lawyering for Reproductive Justice, on the board of Shaking the Foundations, and a member of the Race and Criminal Justice Reading Group. Gemma loved her 1L summer job with the Civil Rights Bureau of the New York Attorney General's Office, working on Title IX athletic opportunities for girls, reproductive rights, and retail discrimination, and she is more excited than ever about a career as a civil rights lawyer.



Savannah Fletcher

Savannah was born in New York City but grew up on Whidbey Island, Washington. She graduated from Columbia University in 2014 as both an English and archaeology major. During college, Savannah

played on Columbia's Varsity Volleyball Team and volunteered as a mentor to high schoolers in Harlem. After college, she worked as an archaeologist in Northern California and Arizona. Realizing law was a stronger tool for change, she is now at Stanford pursuing a joint JD and Masters in Environment and Resources. At Stanford Savannah is President of the Environmental Law Society, the Native American Law Students Association, the Environmental Law Pro Bono, an editor for the Environmental Law Journal, the Community Service Chair for Women of Stanford Law, and the Partnerships Chair for American Constitution Society. Savannah is also looking forward to putting on the Shaking the Foundations Conference this fall as well as working for the Environmental Law Clinic this winter. After spending her 1L summer working at the Department of Justice's Office of Tribal Justice, Savannah looks forward to spending her 2L summer in Alaska working on environmental justice and Native American rights. Outside of class, if you're looking to discuss great camping spots, biking around Palo Alto, or hoping to play some sand volleyball, Savannah's your gal.



Drew Flood

Drew grew up in San Diego and attended UC Berkeley for his undergraduate, studying History and minoring in Global Poverty. After spending two of his college summers investigating for indigent defense advocates in Washington, D.C.,

Drew worked on death penalty cases at the Louisiana Capital Assistance Center in New Orleans as a mitigation specialist. Following his time at LCAC, Drew served as a tutor and mentor at an all-boys, all-African-American high school in Chicago, supporting a group of thirty 9th graders academically and with everything else. In the year prior to law school, Drew worked a harvest at a winery in Oregon and traveled through Europe and South America with family and friends. He spent his 1L summer doing capital work back in the South at the Southern Center for Human Rights and hopes to work after school as a public defender. At SLS, Drew is a co-organizer of the Stanford National Lawyers Guild chapter and the Stanford Critical Law Society, as well as one of the co-directors of the Housing Pro Bono. Drew tries to take a break from the law school grind as often as possible and loves to run, hike in the beautiful Bay Area, and find fun new karaoke dive bars.

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Aaron Forbath

Aaron grew up in sunny Austin, Texas. He graduated from Wesleyan University in 2012 with a degree in History. Before starting law school, Aaron worked at the Habeas Corpus Resource Center (HCRC) in San Francisco – a State office

that provides post-conviction defense for indigent death-row inmates. At Stanford, he volunteers with the Housing Pro Bono, works on the Environmental Law Journal, and is helping to organize Shaking the Foundations 2016. He is also the Karaoke Captain for the Environmental Law Society. Aaron spent his 1L summer with the Sierra Club's Environmental Law Program. He enjoys soccer and ultimate frisbee, collecting dad hats, and exploring the beautiful hills of California.



Zach Glubiak

Zach grew up in rural Virginia before leaving his hometown of Walkerton – with its lone stop sign and population of (approximately) 85 people – for the bright lights of New York City and Columbia University. He graduated in 2012 with a

degree in history and became a high school teacher in the New York City public school system through Teach for America. For three years, he taught ninth grade Global History, served as a student advisor, and coached boys' soccer and lacrosse. As he is interested in the way class actions and other large-scale litigation can promote the public interest, in law school he joined the Stanford Journal for Complex Litigation and helped found the Stanford Plaintiffs' Lawyers Association. He is also co-president of the American Constitution Society, a volunteer with the Housing Pro Bono, and a programming co-chair for the Shaking the Foundations West Coast Progressive Lawyering Conference. This summer he worked at the San Francisco office of Sanford Heisler, a plaintiffs' firm specializing in employment law, where he worked on litigation targeting gender, race, and age discrimination in the workplace. He looks forward to joining the Community Law Clinic this spring.



Julie Goldrosen

Julie is from Marin County, California, and graduated from UCLA in 2010 with a degree in Political Science. After college, she moved to Washington, D.C.—eager for real seasons and nerdy political life. She worked for Senator Dianne Feinstein

for three years, and then spent two years at a boutique lobbying and public relations firm. In 2015, she returned to her beloved Bay Area to start a new chapter at SLS. As a

2L, she will be co-President of the Women of Stanford Law, Policy Director for the International Refugee Assistance Project, and a board member for the Criminal Law Society. She spent her 1L summer at the Federal Public Defender's Office in San Francisco, and is looking forward to participating in the Criminal Defense Clinic this spring. In her free time, she enjoys rooting for the Warriors and Giants, doing yoga, and taking photos.



Elliot Higgins

Elliot grew up on a farm outside of Ottumwa, Iowa. He graduated from the University of Iowa in 2012 with a degree in Political Science and Anthropology. In college, he served for four years in student government, including terms as City

Council Liaison and President. After graduation, Elliot served as an AmeriCorps member with Iowa Legal Aid where he conducted outreach to low-income Iowans and administered a pro se divorce clinic in Johnson County. He then worked briefly as a paralegal at a private firm before serving in the Peace Corps in Indonesia as an English teacher. At Stanford, Elliot is a Member Editor of the Stanford Law Review, a Co-President of the International Law Society, and an Associate Editor of the Stanford Law and Policy Review Journal. He spent this summer working for the Manhattan DA in the Violent Criminal Enterprises Unit. Outside of law school, he enjoys racket sports, travelling, and bean bags.



Carly Hite

Carly is from Buffalo, NY and graduated from Pomona College in 2012 with a double major in Economics and German Studies. Between college and law school, she spent one year teaching English as a Fulbright Teaching Assistant in Cologne, Germany

and two years teaching high school math at Democracy Prep schools in Harlem. At Stanford, Carly is Co-President of the Youth & Education Advocates, Academic Coordinator of Project ReMADE Pro Bono, Outreach Director for the Stanford Criminal Law Society, Academic Chair of the Stanford American Constitution Society, an Associate Editor for Stanford Law & Policy Review, and a member of the Race and Criminal Justice Reading Group. She spent her 1L summer at the Criminal Division of US Attorney's Office for the Western District of New York in Buffalo. Carly looks forward to participating in the Youth and Education Law Clinic this spring and to spending her 2L summer at a public interest organization advocating for the education rights of children with special needs.

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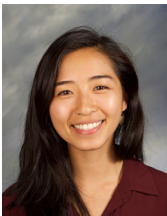
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Leah Hubinger

Leah Hubinger grew up in Michigan. Born in Bay City, affectionately known as Madonna's "stinky little town," she spent her secondary school years in nearby Midland. As an economics and math undergraduate at University of Michigan,

Leah studied games. Still not much of a card shark, she applied her love of game theory and statistics to studying cartels and public program design. After graduation, Leah volunteered through FEMA and Americorps to help communities in New York and New Jersey still recovering from Hurricane Sandy. At Stanford, she is a board member for the Criminal Law Society and Law and Society organizations and Community Service Chair for the new Youth and Education Advocates. She especially enjoys interacting with students at Hillcrest Youth Center through Stanford's Street Law program.



Tiffany Lieu

Tiffany was born and raised in Seattle, WA, and graduated from Duke University in 2015 where she studied History. The summer before law school she worked with the Seattle chapter of Restaurant Opportunities Center-United to advocate

for workers' rights in the restaurant industry. She also worked with the Northwest Immigrant Rights Project—a nonprofit that provides direct services to low-income immigrants. At Stanford, Tiffany is a Member Editor of the Stanford Law Review and the Technical Managing Editor of the Stanford Journal of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties. She also volunteers with the International Refugee Assistance Project pro bono and is the Co-Mentorship Chair for Women of Stanford Law, and the treasurer of the Women of Color Collective. Tiffany looks forward to joining the Immigrants' Rights clinic in the spring. She enjoys rock climbing and eating excellent food.



Dennis Martin

Dennis is from Cleveland, Ohio. He graduated from Columbia in 2010 and spent the next four years as an infantry officer in the Marines. At Stanford, he is a member of the Stanford Law Veterans Organization and a member editor for

the Stanford Law Review; he'll join the Supreme Court Litigation Clinic in the spring. Dennis is also working towards a joint degree with a masters in computer science. He spent his 1L summer taking computer science classes and working as a research assistant. After graduating, he hopes to work on surveillance and cybercrime litigation for the federal government. In his free time, he enjoys

climbing, playing board games, and reading science fiction.



Rebecca Mears

Rebecca grew up in Modesto, California. She graduated from Brown University in 2015 with a degree in Political Science as well as Public Policy. She spent her undergraduate summers interning with the Rhode Island State Legislature and

the White House Domestic Policy Council. Rebecca came straight from undergrad to Stanford, where she is currently a Managing Editor of the Stanford Law and Policy Review and Co-President of the SLS Democrats. Rebecca spent the first half of her 1L summer working for the U.S. Attorney's Office in Washington D.C. with the Misdemeanors Section and the second half of her summer with the California Attorney General's Executive Office in San Francisco focusing on policy. She is looking forward to participating in the International Human Rights and Conflict Resolution Clinic this winter and getting to know Stanford's incoming public interest students.



Kelsey Merrick

Kelsey grew up in Ocean City, Maryland and graduated from the University of Maryland in 2010, where she majored in economics and government and politics. Before law school, she spent five years in Washington, DC; she first worked as a

researcher for the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, a think tank that advocates for budget policies that benefit low-income families. She then worked for the White House at the National Economic Council, where she helped develop policies related to taxes, higher education, and nutrition. At Stanford, Kelsey is a Member Editor of the Stanford Law Review, Lead Articles Editor of the Stanford Law & Policy Review, Advocacy Co-Chair of the American Constitution Society, Co-Leader for the Social Security Disability Project and Tax Pro Bonos, programming board member for our 2016 Shaking the Foundations conference, and very excited to be part of the Community Law Clinic this Winter. She spent her 1L summer as a law clerk for the U.S. Attorney's Office in San Jose, CA, working for the Civil Division. Kelsey hopes to return to policy work, and is interested in administrative law, tax law, and housing law. She enjoys running in the low-humidity of California, and karaoke.



Haley Millner

Haley grew up in St. Louis, Missouri and graduated from Duke University in 2014, where she studied English and Spanish. Before law school, she worked at a medical

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clinic for immigrants and as a part-time Spanish interpreter. She has a passion for direct services and plans to launch into a career in immigration law upon graduating from SLS. At Stanford, she is a member of the Immigration Pro Bono, the Volunteer Attorney Project Pro Bono, the Reading Group on Race and Criminal Justice, and the Criminal Law Society. She also serves as Public Interest Liaison for SLA. She spent her first summer at Legal Advocates for Children and Youth in San Jose, working primarily with immigrant children seeking legal status.



Nina Monfredo

Nina Monfredo is from Seal Harbor, Maine. She graduated from Columbia University with a degree in History in 2011. After college, Nina taught 9th grade World History at a charter school in Memphis through Teach for America,

and was a Leadership for Educational Equity Fellow and Impartial Hearing Representative at the NYC Department of Education. At Stanford, Nina is Curriculum Co-Chair of Streetlaw, Academic Co-Chair of If/When/How, a Member Editor of the Stanford Law Review, and Keynote Speaker and Finance Co-Chair of Shaking the Foundations. Nina is excited to spend her Winter Quarter participating in the Youth and Education Law Clinic. She spent her 1L summer at the Center for Reproductive Rights in NYC. Nina also plays viola.



Katherine Moy

Katherine grew up outside St. Louis, Missouri, and attended Georgetown University, where she majored in International Politics. During college, she worked as a barista and manager at a student-run campus coffee shop and

spent a semester abroad in Amman, Jordan. Before law school, she worked for three years as an intelligence analyst, focusing on the Middle East and North Africa. At Stanford, Katherine is Co-President of Women of Stanford Law, a Member Editor of Stanford Law Review, and part of the planning team for Shaking the Foundations. She spent her 1L summer working on criminal appeals at the California Attorney General's Office in San Francisco, and is looking forward to participating in the Supreme Court Litigation Clinic this fall.



Miles Muller

Miles grew up splashing around in the east coast waves of Virginia Beach, Virginia, where he developed a deep appreciation for the ocean and a mastery of small wave "surfing". He graduated from Duke University in 2015 with a degree in

Environmental Science and Policy. His love of the ocean led him to immerse himself in ocean and coastal policy issues during undergrad and while at Stanford. He is the President of the Environmental Law Society, the Environmental Law Pro Bono, Lead Article Editor and Symposium Co-Chair of the Environmental Law Journal, Chair of the Robotics Law Association, and Founder & Gnar Tsar of SLSurf. During his 1L summer, Miles helped to protect California's coastal heritage and resources while working for the California Coastal Commission in its Statewide Enforcement Division. He is a joint JD/MS student in Environment and Resources, focusing on coastal law as well as energy technology and policy, and plans to pursue a career in environmental advocacy after law school. When he's not engulfed in reading at the Stanford library, you can find him at the beach diligently "studying" coastal dynamics.



Ann Niehaus

Ann is from Rye, NY and graduated from Princeton University in 2012 with a degree in public policy and a certificate in African American studies. After college she spent a year in Beijing as a Princeton in Asia Teaching Fellow and two years in

San Francisco as a paralegal at Althsuler Berzon. Ann is a transfer from Boalt where she volunteered at the East Bay Community Law Center's Tenants' Rights Workshop and the Interfaith Restorative Justice Roundtable at San Quentin State Prison. Ann spent her 1L summer in the felony unit of the San Francisco Public Defender's Office and is looking forward to joining the criminal justice community at SLS.



Juan Pablo Perez-Sangimino

J.P. grew up in Rockville, Maryland and graduated from Boston College in 2012, competing on the swim team and majoring in Political Science. He then joined Teach for America and taught juniors and seniors U.S. History and AP Government in South

Texas. In the fall of 2014, he interned with Human Rights First's anti-human trafficking division before traveling through South America for about six months. During his 1L summer, he was in Phnom Penh, Cambodia creating a coalition to annotate the Cambodian constitution to make it more accessible to citizens and legal practitioners. During his 2L year, J.P. is looking forward to being a member of the Afghanistan Legal Education Project, Stanford Law Association class representative, and his work in the International Human Rights clinic.



Christen Philips

Christen grew up in New Mexico, and went to the University of Southern California, where she majored in

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Psychology, focusing on adolescents who join gangs, and she also worked for a research lab in the law school, studying children's testimony. She graduated in 2013, and joined Teach for America in Phoenix, where she taught 7th and 8th grade. At SLS, Christen is a Co-President of StreetLaw, a board member of both the Latino Law Students Association and Youth and Education Advocates, and was in the Preventing Mass Atrocities Policy Lab. She spent her 1L summer in Brussels, working at the International Juvenile Justice Observatory, where she researched the use of juvenile solitary confinement in North America. She is looking forward to participating in the International Human Rights Clinic in the Spring.



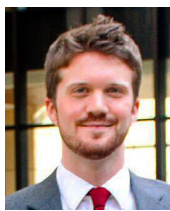
Clare Riva

Clare hails from Rockville, MD, and has lived in LA, Brooklyn, Atlanta, and D.C. She majored in Philosophy and Ethics at Claremont McKenna College and worked at Deloitte Consulting before starting law school. At SLS, Clare is Co-President of the Criminal Law Society and is also involved in Stanford Latin Law Students Association, Jewish Law Students Association, SLA, StreetLaw, and the Three Strikes Project. She also volunteers doing expungement work and will participate in the Criminal Defense Clinic in the Spring. Clare spent her 1L summer as an intern at the U.S. Attorney's Office in San Francisco and has also done legal internships at the U.S. Attorney's Office in D.C. and the Supreme Court. She wants to talk to you about all things criminal law and philosophy, so drop her a line!



Adrienne Pon

Adrienne is from Littleton, Colorado and graduated from Stanford in 2012 with a degree in Public Policy. After college, she worked on the Obama campaign and then lived in DC working on various education initiatives, mostly with community colleges. At SLS, Adrienne is a research assistant, is involved in the Asian Pacific Islander Law Students Association, and served on the Stanford Journal of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties. She spent her 1L summer at the Impact Fund, a public interest law nonprofit that focuses on class action impact litigation for social justice. Adrienne is excited to join the Supreme Court Litigation Clinic this fall. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with her boyfriend in SF, running the Dish, cooking, and caring after her bonsais.



Chuck Roberts

Chuck is from Gettysburg, Pennsylvania and graduated from Columbia University in 2012 with a BA in Political Science. Before arriving at SLS, he worked for Governor Mitt Romney's presidential campaign and then as a paralegal with Linklaters LLP in New York City. At SLS, he is the co-president of the Criminal Law Society and vice president of events for the Federalist Society. He is also a Member Editor of Stanford Law Review and a submissions chair of Stanford Journal of International Law. During his 1L summer, he interned with the Navy JAG Corps in Washington, D.C. He looks forward to joining the Religious Liberty Clinic in the Spring of next year.



Tara Rangchi

Tara is from El Dorado Hills, California, and graduated from UCLA in Global Studies/ Political Science in 2013. In college, Tara studied abroad in Shanghai, China, and was captain of the UCLA Ski & Snowboard Team. Before law school, she worked in tech sales and as a teacher at a school for refugees on the Thai-Burmese border. At SLS, she is the co-director of the International Refugee Assistance Project (IRAP), a board member of the Stanford International Human Rights Law Association (SHIRLA), and a member of the Immigration Pro Bono and the Environmental Law Journal. Tara is interested in the nexus of international human rights and domestic civil rights, the nexus of corporate accountability and displaced groups, and it seems, nexuses in general. She spent her 1L summer clerking for Chief Justice Sam Rugege of Rwanda's Supreme Court, and is looking forward to participating in the Afghanistan Legal Education Project and the Human Right's Clinic this spring.



Samson Schatz

Hailing from the best California city of Los Angeles, Samson graduated from Princeton University in 2013. He worked at Deloitte Federal Consulting in Washington, DC for two years before starting Law School. Now at Stanford, Samson is involved with the International Refugee Assistance Project, the Criminal Law Society, Stanford Law Review, and the Jewish Law Students Association. After his 1L year, Samson interned at the US Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of New York in the Criminal Division.



Max Schoening

Max grew up in San Francisco and graduated from Brown University in 2009. He was the Columbia researcher for Human Rights Watch from 2011 to 2015. Max co-edited the oral history book *Throwing Stones at the Moon: Narratives*

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from Colombians Displaced by Violence. During his first year at SLS, he participated in the Three Strikes Project and Immigration Pro Bono. This past summer, he interned for the South Texas Pro Bono Asylum Representation Project in Harlingen, TX, and Texas RioGrande Legal Aid's public defender division in Edinburg, TX. Max is excited to be in the Immigrants' Rights Clinic this Spring.



Shane Seppini

Shane was born and raised in Sacramento, CA. He graduated from Cornell University in 2013 with a degree in labor relations. As an undergrad, Shane spent time interning with the Governor of California, interviewing rural farmers in India, and studying abroad at the London School of Economics. After graduation, Shane worked for two years at Google as a People Operations generalist and as a Competitive Intelligence researcher studying the technology talent acquisition market. Shane was an SEO intern at O'Melveny & Myers the summer before law school. Shane spent his 1L summer writing demand letters and representing clients at the Legal Aid Society - Employment Law Center in San Francisco. During the school year, Shane co-leads the Workers' Rights Pro Bono Project, plays a healthy dose of pickup basketball, and is a member of the Black Law Students Association. Assuming he gets his security clearance in time (fingers crossed), Shane will extern with the Legal Affairs team at the State Department's U.S. Mission to Geneva in Switzerland. Shane plans to combine his interest in emerging technology with his social justice bent to help build organizations and products that can do the most good.



Kevin Soter

Kevin is from Calabasas, California and graduated in 2012 from Northwestern University, where he studied Economics and Mathematics. Before law school, Kevin worked as an economic consultant for three years at TGG Group in Chicago. At Stanford, he is on the executive boards of the American Constitution Society and OutLaw, has participated in the Access to Justice pro bono project, and is a Member Editor of the Stanford Law Review. Kevin spent the summer after 1L at the U.S. Attorney's Office in San Francisco in the Civil Division, and is looking forward to participating this fall in the Supreme Court Litigation Clinic. If you need someone to bounce Game of Thrones theories off of or need to vent about having to wait until summer 2017 for another season, look no further.



Rachel Suhr

Rachel is from Millbrae, California—home of BART, In-N-Out, and San Francisco International Airport. In 2014, she graduated from UCLA with degrees in History and American Literature and Culture. Before law school, she came back to the Bay Area and was a legal assistant at Sanford Heisler Kimpel, a public interest firm that represents aggrieved employees in mediations, individual lawsuits, and class actions. At Stanford, Rachel enjoys volunteering with the Housing Pro Bono located in East Palo Alto, where she assists tenants facing eviction, illegal rent increases, and dangerous living conditions. Through her 1L activities and coursework, she developed a special interest in criminal justice. As a member of the StreetLaw Pro Bono, she worked with other SLS students to teach at-risk youth about their legal rights and responsibilities. As a 2L, Rachel will serve as a Curriculum Co-Chair for StreetLaw, updating lessons and creating new ones. One of her favorite 1L classes was a policy practicum on improving investigations and prosecutions of fatal citizen-police encounters. Finally, Rachel had a very rewarding summer at the Public Defender Service in D.C., where she worked mostly on juvenile cases. She is looking forward to participating in the Prosecution Clinic this Winter and to meeting the Class of 2019. Her hobbies include playing frisbee and Spikeball, reading American fiction, watching crime dramas and reality TV, and eating Mexican food.



Tory Tilton

Tory is from Sycamore, IL and graduated from the University of Rochester in 2012. Prior to law school, Tory lived in Washington, D.C. for three years where she interned at the White House, worked at the Department of Defense, and volunteered extensively at a domestic violence and sexual assault shelter. At Stanford, Tory co-leads the Immigration Pro Bono, is Vice President of Community Service for the Native American Law Students Association, and volunteers with OneJustice. She spent her 1L summer at Accountability Counsel in San Francisco, where she supported communities experiencing harmful impacts from internationally-financed development projects. Tory looks forward to participating in the Immigrants' Rights Clinic this spring.



Kelsey Townsend

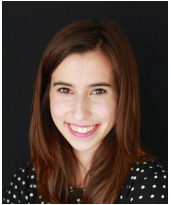
Kelsey is from Oakland, California. She graduated from Wesleyan University in 2011 with a B.A. in Government and African American Studies. Before starting law school, she worked at the American

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Civil Liberties Union, where she assisted with litigation and advocacy around women's rights, reproductive freedom, LGBT rights, and religion and belief. At Stanford, Kelsey is a managing editor of the Stanford Journal of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, a community partnerships co-chair of If/When/How: Lawyering for Reproductive Justice, and a programming co-chair for the Shaking the Foundations Progressive Lawyering Conference. She has participated in the Immigration Pro Bono, the StreetLaw Pro Bono, and OneJustice expungement clinics. Kelsey spent her 1L summer interning for the Legal Aid Society's Criminal Defense Practice and she looks forward to participating in the Immigrants' Rights Clinic in the spring.



Carson White

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Stanford she is a team leader for the International Refugee Assistance Project (IRAP) and teaches with Street Law (an SLS pro-bono). Carson was in the Three Strikes Project her 1L year and will participate in the Criminal Defense Clinic this fall. Carson is also a member editor for the Criminal Law and Policy Journal, the Stanford Law Association social chair, a member of Law Students for Reproductive Justice, International Law Students and Women of Stanford Law and a producer of the Law School Musical. She hopes to pursue a career in death penalty litigation in the south and spent her 1L summer interning for the State Department mission to the UN Human Rights Council in Geneva.



Leah Yaffe

Leah grew up in Las Vegas, Nevada. She studied political theory and ethics at Duke University and graduated in 2013. Leah is particularly interested in national security civil liberties issues, and worked for Senator Harry Reid as part of his foreign policy and national security team before

law school. At Stanford, Leah has enjoyed participating in the Social Security Disability Project pro bono and is on the board for 2016-2017. She is also on the board of the International Law Society and the International Human Rights Law Association, and she is an articles editor for the Stanford Law and Policy Review. Leah spent her 1L summer at the Electronic Frontier Foundation in San Francisco working on issues related to transparency and surveillance. She is looking forward to participating in the International Human Rights Clinic in the spring.