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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Virginia School of Law

Class of 1966 Research Professor of Law, 2022 to present

Professor, 2020

Associate Professor, 2015-2020

Duke University School of Law

Visiting Assistant Professor, 2013-2015

EDUCATION

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

Ph.D. in Philosophy, May 2013

Dissertation: “Basic Rights and Disagreement: Is persistent disagreement about basic rights a reason to specify rights by democratic procedures?” ([UIUC Library](#))

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, College of Law

J.D., May 2010

summa cum laude, Order of the Coif

Emory University

B.A. in Philosophy, May 2004

summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa

PUBLICATIONS

Parentage Agreements are not Contracts, 90 *Fordham Law Review* (May 2022) ([Fordham L. Rev](#))

What Role Remains for De Facto Parenthood?, 46 *FLORIDA STATE UNIV. L. REV.* (Nov. 2019) ([SSRN](#))

What’s Wrong with Obergefell, 40 *CARDOZO LAW REVIEW* 631 (2018) ([SSRN](#))

The Positive Right to Marry, 102 *VIRGINIA LAW REVIEW* 1691 (2016) ([SSRN](#))

Why the State Cannot “Abolish Marriage”, 90 *INDIANA LAW JOURNAL* 1261 (2015) ([SSRN](#))

Is Polygamy Inherently Unequal?, 122 *ETHICS* 516 (2012) ([SSRN](#))

WORKS IN PROGRESS

RECONSTRUCTING PARENTAGE (Cambridge University Press, forthcoming 2024)

Introduction

Chapter 1: A Political Right to a Parent

Chapter 2: Parents by Genetics

Chapter 3: Parents by Causation

Chapter 4: Parents by Caregiving

Chapter 5: Parents by Agreement

Chapter 6: Reconstructing a Pluralist Theory of Legal Parentage

ACADEMIC PAPER PRESENTATIONS

Reconceiving Legal Parenthood

- Book Manuscript Workshop, UVA Law School (November 2024)

Parents by Agreement

- Family Law Scholars and Teachers Conference, Philadelphia (June 2022)
- Atlantic Region Family Law Scholars Workshop, Duke Law School (December 2023)

A Political Right to a Parent

- Southeastern Association of Law Schools Conference (July 2023)
- Atlantic Region Family Law Scholars Workshop, Wake Forest Law School (January 2023)
- Capital Area Family Law Scholars (May 2022)

Introduction: Reconceiving Parentage

- Family Law Scholars and Teachers Conference, Philadelphia (June 2022)

Incoherent Constitutional Textualism

- Constitutional Law Colloquium, George Washington Law School (Nov. 2021)

Parentage Agreements are not Contracts

- Fordham Law Review Symposium (Nov. 2021)

Parents as Children's Voluntary Caregivers

- Child Law & Rights Writers' Workshop, South Carolina School of Law (Nov. 2020)
- SEALS New Family Law Scholarship (Aug. 2020)
- Summer Faculty Workshop, University of Virginia School of Law (July 2020)
- Family Law Scholars and Teachers Conference, Washington, D.C. (June 2020)

Reconceiving Causal Parentage

- International Society of Family Law, Chicago, IL (June 2019)
- Family Law Scholars and Teachers Conference, Washington, D.C. (May 2019)

What Role Remains for De Facto Parenthood?

- Faculty Workshop, University of Virginia School of Law (Feb. 2019)
- Assoc. of American Law Schools, Family and Juvenile Law Section (paper call) (Jan. 2019)
- Faculty Workshop, Georgetown Law School (Nov. 2018)
- University of Loyola Chicago Constitutional Law Colloquium (Nov. 2018)
- Faculty Workshop, University of Illinois School of Law (Sept. 2018)
- Family Law Scholars and Teachers Conference, New York (June 2018)

Why Obergefell's Valorization of Marriage was Wrong

- Legal Theory Workshop, McGill University (Sept. 2017)
- Family Law Scholars and Teachers Conference, New York (June 2017)

What is Wrong with Valorizing Marriage?

- Legal Theory Workshop, University of Virginia School of Law (Oct. 2016)
- Family Law Scholars and Teachers Conference, New Orleans (June 2016)

Imperfect Juridical Duties

- North American Kant Society, Eastern Study Group, Georgetown University (April 2015)

A Positive Right to Marry

- Henry Krause Emerging Family Law Scholars Workshop, University of Illinois (Jan. 2015)
- MANCEPT, Workshop on Public & Private Morality, Univ. of Manchester (Sept. 2014)

Liberal Legitimacy is Distinct from Minimal Justice

- MANCEPT, Workshop on Conceptualizing Legitimacy, Univ. of Manchester (Sept. 2014)

Why the State Cannot “Abolish Marriage”

- Duke Faculty Workshop (May 2014); North Carolina Central Caroline Junior Scholars Series (April 2014); Duke-UNC Junior Faculty Workshop (March 2014)

Saving “Stability for the Right Reasons” from Rawls—Drop Overlapping Consensus

- Intermountain Philosophy Graduate Conference, University of Utah (2011)

Can Polygamy Be Egalitarian?

- 4th Annual Northwestern Society for Ethical Theory (2010); New Mexico-West Texas Philosophical Society, Abilene Christian (2010); John Stuart Mill Memorial Philosophy Conference, Eastern Illinois University (2010)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Virginia School of Law

Torts (2018-2017, 2019-20, 2022)
 Family Law (2016-2021, 2022)
 Jurisprudence (2017, 2018, 2020, 2021)

Duke University School of Law

Visiting Assistant Professor: Jurisprudence (S 2014)
 Family Law (S 2015)

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

Independent Instructor: Introduction to Philosophy of Law (S 2011)
 Introduction to Ethics (F 2009, S 2010)

Teaching Assistant: Biomedical Ethics (Wallace: S 2008, F 2006)
 Introduction to Ethics (Steinberg: S 2009, F 2004)
 Nineteenth Century Continental Philosophy (Schacht: F 2005)
 Introduction to Philosophy (Neely: S 2005)

BAR ADMISSION

Illinois Bar Association (2011-15) (no longer enrolled)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Philosophical Association
 American Society for Political and Legal Philosophy

OTHER LEGAL EXPERIENCE

The Honorable William M. Conley and the Honorable Barbara B. Crabb
 United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin, 2011-2013
Law Clerk, 2011-2013

Land of Lincoln Legal Assistance Foundation
Volunteer Attorney, quarter-time, 2010-2011

Winston and Strawn, LLC
Summer Associate, Summer 2008

The Honorable Ann Claire Williams, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
Summer Intern, Summer 2007

The Honorable Marvin E. Aspen, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
Summer Intern, Summer 2007