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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of Virginia School of Law
Associate Professor, 2008–present

Tufts University, Department of Economics
Assistant Professor, 2006–2008

EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Ph.D. in Economics, 2006
Dissertation Committee: Glenn Ellison, Stephen Ryan, James Snyder
Robert Solow Fellowship

Yale Law School, J.D., 1999
Yale Journal on Regulation, Senior Editor

Princeton University, A.B. in Mathematics, *magna cum laude*, 1994
Phi Beta Kappa; Putnam Fellow; Andrew Brown Prize in Mathematics;
Class of 1861 Award in Mathematics

PUBLICATIONS

“Estimating Preferences of Circuit Judges: A Model of ‘Consensus Voting,’”
Journal of Law and Economics (forthcoming 2011)

“Do Standards of Review Matter? The Case of Federal Criminal Sentencing”
(with Max M. Schanzenbach), 40 *Journal of Legal Studies* 405 (2011)

“What Is Judicial Ideology, and How Should We Measure It?” (with David S.
Law), 29 *Washington University Journal of Law and Policy* 133 (2009)

SELECTED WORKING PAPERS

- “Interpreting Circuit Court Voting Patterns: A ‘Social Interactions’ Framework” (under review)
- “Inconsistency, Indeterminacy, and Error in Adjudication” (under review)
- “Racial Disparities, Judicial Discretion, and the United States Sentencing Guidelines” (with Max M. Schanzenbach, under review)
- “The Myth of Policy Voting: What Amici Tell Us About Law” (with Alexandra Dunworth and Daniel E. Ho)
- “Decision-Making Under a Norm of Consensus: A Structural Analysis of Three-Judge Panels”

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

- Inconsistency, Indeterminacy, and Error in Adjudication**
Law, Economics, and Organization Workshop, Harvard Law School,
Mar. 2012 (scheduled)
Law and Economics Workshop, University of Toronto Faculty of Law,
Nov. 2011
Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Nov. 2011
Faculty Workshop, Northwestern University Law School, Oct. 2011
Faculty Workshop, Washington University in St. Louis School of Law, Oct.
2011
Law, Business, and Economics Workshop, University of Texas School of Law,
Sept. 2011
Faculty Workshop, University of Virginia School of Law, July 2011
- Interpreting Circuit Court Voting Patterns: A “Social Interactions”
Framework**
Faculty Workshop, Georgetown University Law Center, Mar. 2011
Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Nov. 2010
Symposium: 25 Years of Law and Positive Political Theory,
Northwestern University Law School, Oct. 2010
Public Economics Workshop, University of Virginia, Sept. 2010
Faculty Workshop, University of Virginia School of Law, July 2010
Political Economy and Public Law Conference, June 2010
American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, May 2009

Racial Disparities, Judicial Discretion, and the United States Sentencing Guidelines

Conference on the Law and Economics of Race, University of Chicago Law School, May 2010

Do Standards of Review Matter? The Case of Federal Sentencing

Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Nov. 2009

Faculty Workshop, University of Virginia School of Law, July 2009

Political Economy and Public Law Conference, June 2009

American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, May 2009

What is Judicial Ideology, and How Should We Measure It?

Law, Economics, and Politics Colloquium, New York University School of Law, Oct. 2008

Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Sept. 2008

Symposium: Empirical Research on Decision-Making in the Federal Courts, Washington University School of Law, Apr. 2008

Decision-Making under a Norm of Consensus: A Structural Analysis of Three-Judge Panels

University of Texas School of Law, Mar. 2008

University of Virginia School of Law, Jan. 2008

University of Southern California Law School, Jan. 2008

Northwestern Law School, Dec. 2007

NBER Summer Institute, Law and Economics, July 2007

American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, May 2007

Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Oct. 2006

University of Toronto, Law School and Economics Department, Feb. 2006

Yale University, Department of Political Science, Feb. 2006

Harvard Law School, Law and Economics Workshop, Feb. 2006

Appellate Supervision of Lower Court Decision-Making: Evidence from Asylum Adjudication

Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, June 2008

Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (poster session), Nov. 2007

Strategic Compliance in a Judicial Hierarchy

University of Virginia School of Law, Oct. 2007

Tufts University, Department of Economics, Feb. 2006

Emory University, Department of Economics, Feb. 2006

MIT, Department of Economics, Nov. 2005

Discussant for David Freeman Engstrom, "Agencies as Litigation Gatekeepers: An Empirical Analysis of DOJ Intervention Under the Qui Tam Provisions of the False Claims Act," Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Nov. 2011

Discussant for Joshua Teitelbaum, "Analogical Reasoning: Theory and Evidence," Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Nov. 2010

Discussant for Gary Marchant, "Creating an Institute for Scientific Assessments: Enhancing the Credibility of Regulatory Scientific Analysis," Institutions and Incentives in Regulatory Science Conference, George Washington University, June 2010

Discussant for Anne Morrison Piehl, "Guidelines and Discretion in Criminal Sentencing," Law & Economics of Criminal Law Conference, University of Virginia School of Law, Mar. 2010

Discussant for Avishalom Tor, "Fairness and the Willingness to Accept Plea Bargain Offers," Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Nov. 2010

Discussant for Richard Hynes, "Securitization and Agency Costs," University of Virginia School of Law Faculty Retreat, Jan. 2009

Discussant for Tonja Jacobi, "Super Medians," Political Economy and Public Law Conference, June 2008

Discussant for Charles Cameron and John de Figueiredo, "Endogenous Cost Lobbying: Theory and Evidence," NBER Mid-Year Meeting, Law and Economics Group, March 2008

Discussant for Abraham Wickelgren, "The Economics of Constitutional Rights and Voting Rules," NBER Mid-Year Meeting, Law and Economics Group, March 2007

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Law: Administrative Law, Quantitative Methods for Lawyers, Law and Economics Colloquium

Economics: Intermediate Microeconomics, Game Theory (graduate), Statistics (undergraduate)

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

KBC Financial Products, New York, NY
Quantitative Analyst, Equity Derivatives Group, 1999–2001

Mayer Brown & Platt, Washington, DC
Summer Associate, 1998

D.E. Shaw & Co., New York, NY
Quantitative Analyst, Equity Derivatives Group, 1994–1996

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Referee: American Law and Economics Review; Journal of Empirical Legal Studies; Journal of Legal Studies; Journal of Politics; Law and Social Inquiry; Law and Society Review; Public Choice

Professional Membership: American Law and Economics Association; Society for Empirical Legal Studies; Admitted to the New York Bar