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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

School of Law, University of Virginia

Associate Professor, August 2009 to present

Teach courses on legislation, election law, direct democracy, and judicial decision-making.

Legal Studies Department, University of California, Berkeley

Graduate Student Instructor, Spring 2006, Spring 2005, and Fall 2003

Teaching assistant for undergraduate Public Law and Economics course.

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley, School of Law (Boalt Hall)

Ph.D., Jurisprudence and Social Policy, May 2008

J.D., May 2005

Dissertation: *Law, Politics, and Preferences: An Economic Analysis of Direct Democracy and the Single Subject Rule*

Committee: Robert Cooter (Chair), Daniel Farber, Rui de Figueiredo, Daniel Rubinfeld
Passed Field Exams in Law and Economics and Politics, Administration, and Legislation

Honors and activities:

National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Grant (2007-08)

Chancellor's Dissertation Fellowship, U.C. Berkeley (2007-08)

Dean's Normative Time Fellowship, U.C. Berkeley (2006-07)

Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, U.C. Berkeley (2006)

Riesefeld Fellow (2005-06) (selected by faculty to assist with LL.M. program)

Graduated first in law school class (1 out of 285) (2005)

Order of the Coif (2005)

Jurisprudence and Social Policy Fellowship, U.C. Berkeley (2002-06)

California Law Review, Articles Editor (2004-05) and Member (2003-04)

John M. Olin Fellowship in Law and Economics, U.C. Berkeley (2002-05)

Tulane University

B.S., Economics and Political Science, May 1999

Graduated *summa cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa, J. Ernest Tanner Award (highest GPA in economics department), Senior Scholar in Economics

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, San Francisco, CA

Law Clerk, Judge William A. Fletcher, July 2008 to July 2009

World Bank Group, Washington, DC

Consultant, Doing Business Project, Summer 2005

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom (UK) LLP, London, England

Summer Associate, Summer 2004

Clifford Chance LLP, San Francisco, CA

Summer Associate, Summer 2003

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, DC

Assistant to the Director and Research Assistant, International Finance Division, 1999-2002

Central Intelligence Agency

Intern (paid), Directorate of Intelligence, Summer 1998

PUBLICATIONS

Disclosure, Credibility, and Speech, *Journal of Law and Politics* (forthcoming)

Does Law Matter? Theory and Evidence from Single Subject Adjudication, 40 *Journal of Legal Studies* 333 (2011)

Direct Democracy, Courts, and Majority Will, 9 *Election Law Journal* 211 (2010) (book review)

Reply to Hasen and Matsusaka, 110 *Columbia Law Review Sidebar* 59 (2010) (with Robert D. Cooter)

A Theory of Direct Democracy and the Single Subject Rule, 110 *Columbia Law Review* 687 (2010) (with Robert D. Cooter)

Less Can Be More: Conflicting Ballot Proposals and the Highest Vote Rule, 38 *Journal of Legal Studies* 383 (2009) (with Joshua M. Levine)

Single Subject Rules and the Legislative Process, 67 *University of Pittsburgh Law Review* 803 (2006)

PRESENTATIONS (selected)

Disclosure, Credibility, and Speech, presented at conference on Disclosure, Anonymity and the First Amendment, University of Virginia, October 2011.

Judicial Independence and Social Welfare, presented at Political Economy and Public Law Conference, Harvard Law School, June 2011, American Law & Economics Association annual meeting, Columbia Law School, May 2011, and University of Virginia School of Law, March 2011.

Does Law Matter? Theory and Evidence from Single Subject Adjudication, presented at Law and Economics Workshop, Georgetown Law Center, November 2010, JSP Dissertation Colloquium, U.C. Berkeley, October 2010, and American Law & Economics Association annual meeting, Princeton University, May 2010.

Commentator on Thomas J. Miles, *Racial Disparities in the Allocation of Wiretap Applications across Federal Judges*, paper presented at conference on Law and Economics of Criminal Law, University of Virginia, March 2010.

Congressional Redistricting, presented at Miller Center of Public Centers, University of Virginia, October 2009.

Less Can Be More: Conflicting Ballot Proposals and the Highest Vote Rule, presented at American Law & Economics Association annual meeting, Harvard Law School, May 2007, and Western Political Science Association annual meeting, Las Vegas, NV, March 2007.

Invited speaker for panel entitled “Judges Overruling the Electorate?: The Single Subject Rule,” Federalist Society’s National Lawyers Convention, Washington, DC, November 2006.

Political Questions in International Law, presented at Law & Society Association annual meeting, Baltimore, MD, July 2006.

Chaos, Direct Democracy, and the Single Subject Rule, presented at American Law & Economics Association annual meeting, U.C. Berkeley, May 2006 and Law & Economics Workshop, U.C. Berkeley, February 2006.

Single Subject Rules and Public Choice Theory, presented at Workshop on Strategic Theory of the U.S. Constitution, U.C. Berkeley, August 2005.