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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of Virginia School of Law

Professor of Law, 2019–present

Horace W. Goldsmith Research Professor of Law (3-year chair), 2016–2019

Duke Law School

Visiting Professor, Fall 2015

Northwestern Pritzker School of Law

Professor, 2015–2016

Associate Professor, 2012–2015

University of Virginia School of Law

Associate Professor, 2008–2012

Tufts University, Department of Economics

Assistant Professor, 2006–2008

EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Ph.D. in Economics, 2006

Yale Law School

J.D., 1999

Princeton University

A.B., Mathematics, *magna cum laude*, 1994

PUBLISHED AND FORTHCOMING ARTICLES

Politics and Authority in the U.S. Supreme Court, 104 CORNELL LAW REVIEW 1513 (2019)

The Circular Logic of Actavis, 66 AMERICAN UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 91 (2016).

Do the Justices Vote Like Policy Makers? Evidence from Scaling the Supreme Court with Interest Groups, 44 JOURNAL OF LEGAL STUDIES S269 (2015)

The Economic Perspective on Sentencing, 46 LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO LAW JOURNAL 345 (2014) (symposium contribution)

Measuring Inconsistency, Indeterminacy, and Error in Adjudication, 16 AMERICAN LAW & ECONOMICS REVIEW 40 (2014)

Reuniting 'Is' and 'Ought' in Empirical Legal Scholarship, 162 UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LAW REVIEW 117 (2013)

Interpreting Circuit Court Voting Patterns: A Social Interactions Framework, 31 JOURNAL OF LAW, ECONOMICS & ORGANIZATION 808 (2015)

Racial Disparities, Judicial Discretion, and the United States Sentencing Guidelines, 9 JOURNAL OF EMPIRICAL LEGAL STUDIES 729 (2012) (with Max M. Schanzenbach)

Estimating Preferences of Circuit Judges: A Model of Consensus Voting, 54 JOURNAL OF LAW AND ECONOMICS 781 (2011)

Do Standards of Review Matter? The Case of Federal Criminal Sentencing, 40 JOURNAL OF LEGAL STUDIES 405 (2011) (with Max M. Schanzenbach)

What Is Judicial Ideology, and How Should We Measure It?, 29 WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY JOURNAL OF LAW AND POLICY 133 (2009) (symposium contribution, with David S. Law)

WORKING PAPERS AND WORKS IN PROGRESS

How Many Cases Are Easy?, revise and resubmit, JOURNAL OF LEGAL ANALYSIS

Empirically Validating Citation Metrics for Legal Scholars: A Market Approach (with Michael A. Livermore)

Judicial Behavior in U.S. Federal Courts: Current Research and Future Directions (book chapter)

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

SHORTER WORKS

It's hard to find a federal judge more conservative than Brett Kavanaugh,
WASHINGTON POST (Monkey Cage Blog, Sept. 5, 2018, with Kevin Cope)

*For a Trump Nominee, Neil Gorsuch's Record Is Surprisingly Moderate on
Immigration and Employment Discrimination,* FIFTYTHREE (Mar. 27, 2017,
with Kevin Cope)

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

Law and Economics Workshop, Harvard Law School, Sept. 2019
Faculty Workshop, University of Virginia School of Law, July 2019
American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, May 2019
Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Nov. 2018
Conference on Facilitating Empirical Studies of Judicial Behavior on
Constitutional Courts from a Comparative Perspective, Texas A&M
University School of Law, May 2018
Faculty Workshop, Department of Risk, Management, and Insurance, J. Mack
Robinson College of Business, Georgia State University, Apr. 2018
Judicial Process Colloquium, Duke Law School, Apr. 2018
Law and Economics Workshop, University of Pennsylvania Law School, Apr.
2018
Law and Economics Workshop, Antonin Scalia Law School, George Mason
University, Mar. 2018
Conference on The Constitution in Trial Courts, Bar-Ilan University Faculty of
Law, Jan. 2017
Faculty Workshop, University of Virginia School of Law, Feb. 2016
Law and Economics Workshop, Georgetown Law School, Dec. 2015
Faculty Workshop, Duke Law School, Nov. 2015
Law and Economics Workshop, Berkeley Law School, Nov. 2015
Law and Economics External Workshop, New York University School of
Law, Oct. 2015
American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, May 2015
Law and Economics Workshop, University of Virginia School of Law, Mar.
2015
Faculty Workshop, Northwestern University Law School, Jun. 2014
American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, May 2014
Conference on "Sentence Structure: The Elements of Punishment," Loyola
University Chicago, Apr. 2014
Faculty Workshop, Duke University School of Law, Mar. 2014

Faculty Workshop, Emory University School of Law, Mar. 2014
Faculty Workshop, University of Kansas School of Law, Nov. 2013
Conference on "A Rational Choice Approach to Judging," University of Chicago Law School, Oct. 2013
National Bureau of Economic Research, Mid-Year Law and Economics Meeting, Mar. 2013
Law and Economics Workshop, University of Michigan Law School, Feb. 2013
Colloquium on Law, Behavior and Social Science, University of Illinois College of Law, Feb. 2013
Faculty Workshop, Northwestern University Law School, Feb. 2013
Faculty Workshop, Vanderbilt Law School, Nov. 2012
Econometrics Workshop, Northwestern University, Nov. 2012
American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, May 2012
Faculty Workshop, George Mason University School of Law, Apr. 2012
Law, Economics, and Organization Workshop, Harvard Law School, Mar. 2012
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
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
Conference on "The Law and Economics of Race," University of Chicago Law School, May 2010
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
Law, Economics, and Politics Colloquium, New York University School of Law, Oct. 2008
Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Sept. 2008

Symposium on “Empirical Research on Decision-Making in the Federal Courts,” Washington University School of Law, Apr. 2008
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
Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, June 2008
Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (poster session), Nov. 2007
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

Invited Discussant

NBER Mid-Year Meeting, Law and Economics Group, Feb. 2020
Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Nov. 2018
Political Economy and Public Law Conference, June 2018
Political Economy and Public Law Conference, June 2016
Conference on Political Economy of Judicial Politics, Princeton University, Apr. 2016
Political Economy and Public Law Conference, June 2015
Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Nov. 2013
Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Nov. 2012
Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Nov. 2011
Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Nov. 2010
Institutions and Incentives in Regulatory Science Conference, George Washington University, June 2010
Law & Economics of Criminal Law Conference, University of Virginia School of Law, Mar. 2010
Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Nov. 2009
University of Virginia School of Law Faculty Retreat, Jan. 2009
Political Economy and Public Law Conference, June 2008
NBER Mid-Year Meeting, Law and Economics Group, March 2008
NBER Mid-Year Meeting, Law and Economics Group, March 2007

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Law: Administrative Law, Analytical Methods for Lawyers, Antitrust, Law and Economics Colloquium, Judging Seminar

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

PREVIOUS NON-ACADEMIC 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 for Peer-Reviewed Journals

AEJ; Applied Economics; American Economic Review; American Law & Economics Review; American Political Science Review; Criminology; Crime and Delinquency; Econometrica; Economic Journal; Economica; European Economic Journal; International Review of Law & Economics; Journal of Empirical Legal Studies; Journal of the European Economic Association; Journal of Law & Courts; Journal of Law, Economics & Organization; Journal of Legal Analysis; Journal of Legal Studies; Journal of Politics; Law and Social Inquiry; Law and Society Review; Legal Theory; Public Choice; RAND Journal of Economics; Review of Law & Economics; Southern Economic Journal

Reviewer for Law Journals

Columbia Law Review; Harvard Law Review; Northwestern Journal of International Law and Business; Virginia Law Review; Yale Law Journal

Conference Referee

American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting: 2012, 2013, 2015, 2016, 2019, 2020

Conference on Empirical Legal Studies: 2010, 2011, 2013, 2016

Professional Membership: American Law and Economics Association;
Society for Empirical Legal Studies; admitted to the New York Bar (currently
inactive)