

## DAVID S. LAW

HKU Faculty of Law  
Pokfulam Road, Pokfulam, Hong Kong  
+1 (314) 266-9698  
davidlaw@post.harvard.edu  
www.davidlaw.ca

---

<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>STANFORD UNIVERSITY</b> , Ph.D. in Political Science, 2004 <b>UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD, MAGDALEN COLLEGE</b> B.C.L. in European and Comparative Law, 2003 Clarendon Scholar <b>STANFORD UNIVERSITY</b> , M.A. in Political Science, 2000 <b>HARVARD LAW SCHOOL</b> , J.D., <i>magna cum laude</i> , 1996 Executive Editor, <i>Harvard Law Review</i> , 1995-96 Editor, <i>Harvard Law Review</i> , 1994-95 <b>STANFORD UNIVERSITY</b> , B.A. in Public Policy, with Honors and Distinction, 1993 Phi Beta Kappa
<b>FELLOWSHIPS &amp; GRANTS</b>	Research Grants Council of Hong Kong, General Research Fund Grant, 2017-18 (\$785,000 HK) Columbia-Sorbonne Alliance Grant, 2019 (co-PI with Eleonora Bottini and Jamal Greene) Martin and Kathleen Crane Fellow in Law and Public Affairs, Princeton University, 2014-15 Fulbright Senior Scholar, Taiwan, 2010-11 Council on Foreign Relations, International Affairs Fellowship in Japan, 2007-08 National Science Foundation, Graduate Research Fellowship, 2000-04 Benson Fellowship, Stanford University (for study at Oxford), 2002-03 Jacob K. Javits Fellowship, U.S. Department of Education, 2000 (declined) University Fellowship, Stanford University, 1999-2000
<b>AREAS OF EXPERTISE</b>	Public law (constitutional law, administrative law) Law and political science; empirical legal studies Comparative, international, and transnational law; globalization of law Legal and political theory East Asia
<b>ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE</b>	<b>THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG</b> <i>Sir Y.K. Pao Chair in Public Law</i> 2016- Courses taught: Comparative Constitutional Law; Courts (undergraduate and graduate). <i>External Examiner, Social Sciences and Law</i> 2012-16 Responsible for evaluating the Government & Laws dual-degree curriculum and program. <b>UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA</b> <i>Professor of Law (deferred)</i> 2021- <b>UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA CAREY LAW SCHOOL</b> <i>Visiting Professor</i> 2020 Courses taught: Constitutional Law; Comparative Constitutional Law. <b>UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE</b> <i>Professor of Law</i> 2019-20 <b>WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY IN ST. LOUIS</b> <i>Charles Nagel Chair of Constitutional Law and Political Science</i> 2016-19 <i>Affiliated Faculty, East Asian Studies Program</i> 2016-19 <i>Professor of Law &amp; Professor of Political Science</i> 2008-16

Courses taught: Administrative Law; Constitutional Law I; Federal Courts; Comparative Constitutional Law; Comparative Judicial Politics.

**UNIVERSIDAD EXTERNADO DE COLOMBIA**, Bogotá, Colombia  
*Visiting Professor, Faculty of Law* 2018  
Taught LLM course on Empirical Approaches to Constitutional Law.

**NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE**  
*Visiting Research Professor, Faculty of Law* 2017

**PRINCETON UNIVERSITY**  
*Martin & Kathleen Crane Fellow in Law and Public Affairs* 2014-15  
Taught undergraduate course on Constitutional Law and International Law.

**GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER**  
*Visiting Professor* 2012-13  
Taught Administrative Law; Constitutional Law I; Comparative Constitutional Law.

**NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW**  
*Visiting Scholar* 2010-11

**SEOUL NATIONAL UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW**, Seoul, Korea  
*Visiting Professor* 2011  
Taught Comparative Constitutional Law and conducted fieldwork on the Korean Constitutional Court.

**NATIONAL TAIWAN UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE OF LAW**, Taipei, Taiwan  
*Fulbright Scholar and Visiting Professor* 2010-11  
Conducted fieldwork on the Constitutional Court of the Republic of China; co-taught Comparative Constitutional Law and Politics in East Asia (with Wen-Chen Chang).

**KEIO UNIVERSITY, FACULTY OF LAW**, Tokyo, Japan  
*Hitachi Fellow and Visiting Associate Professor* 2008  
Conducted fieldwork on the Supreme Court of Japan and judicial review in Japan.

**UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO**  
*Associate Adjunct Professor of Political Science* 2008-12  
*Assistant Adjunct Professor of Political Science* 2004-08  
Taught Judicial Politics (with Mat McCubbins); Comparative Judicial Politics (both cross-listed at USD School of Law).

**UNIVERSITY OF SAN DIEGO SCHOOL OF LAW**  
*Associate Professor of Law* 2006-08  
*Assistant Professor of Law* 2004-06  
Taught Federal Courts; Administrative Law; Law & Political Science (cross-listed at UCSD in political science).

**STANFORD UNIVERSITY** 1993, 2000-04  
Served as teaching assistant for Lawrence Friedman's *Introduction to American Law*, Fall 2000; David Brady's *Politics and Public Policy*, Spring 2001; and a student-led course, *Current Issues in Policymaking*, Spring 1993. Edited cases and revised course materials on constitutionalism and immigration law for Gerhard Casper, 2001-03.

## BOOKS

*Constitutionalism in Context* (Cambridge University Press, forthcoming 2021).

*The Oxford Handbook of Constitutional Law in Asia* (co-edited with Holning Lau & Alex Schwartz) (Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2021).

*Research Methods in Constitutional Law: A Handbook* (co-edited with Malcolm Langford) (Edward Elgar Publishing, forthcoming 2021).

*Constituciones aparentes* (with Mila Versteeg; Maria José Viana trans.) (Bogotá: Universidad

Externado de Colombia, 2018) (2nd printing) (reviewed in *Asuntos Legales*).

*Nihon no saikosai wo kaibou suru [The Japanese Supreme Court and Judicial Review]* (Shin-ichi Nishikawa trans.) (Tokyo: Gendaijinbunsha, 2013) (2nd printing) (reviewed in the *Asahi Shimbun*).

## ARTICLES & ESSAYS

“Judicial Review of Constitutional Amendments: Taiwan” (with Hsiang-Yang Hsieh), in *Constitutionalism in Context* (David S. Law ed., CUP forthcoming 2021).

“Transnational Judicial Communication: The European Union” (with Elaine Mak), in *Constitutionalism in Context* (David S. Law ed., CUP forthcoming 2021).

“Islamic Constitutionalism: Iran” (with Mirjam Künkler), in *Constitutionalism in Context* (David S. Law ed., CUP forthcoming 2021).

“Pedagogy and Conceptualization of the Field,” in *Constitutionalism in Context* (David S. Law ed., CUP forthcoming 2021).

“Post-Liberal Constitutionalism and the Right to Effective Government,” in *Constitutionalism and a Right to Effective Government* (Vicki Jackson & Yasmin Dawood eds., CUP forthcoming).

“The Computational Turn in Legal Research,” in *Research Methods in Constitutional Law: A Handbook* (David S. Law & Malcolm Langford eds., Edward Elgar forthcoming 2021).

“Constitutional Adjudication in Comparative Perspective” (with Yeong-Chin Su and Aharon Barak), in *Constitutional Interpretation: Theory and Practice, Vol. 10* (Yen-Tu Su ed., Academia Sinica 2020).

“Constitutional Dialects: The Language of Transnational Legal Orders,” in *Constitution-Making and Transnational Legal Order* (Greg Shaffer et al. eds., CUP 2019).

“Constitutional Amendments Versus Constitutional Replacements: An Empirical Perspective” (with Ryan Whalen), in *Routledge Handbook of Comparative Constitutional Change* (Xenophon Contiades & Alkeme Fotiadou eds., Routledge 2019).

“Isolation Versus Globalization: The Dawn of Legal Education in Bhutan,”  
*9 Yonsei Law Journal* 1 (2018).

Reprinted in *The Globalization of Legal Education* (Bryant Garth et al. eds., CUP forthcoming).

“Constitutional Dissonance in China” (with Wen-Chen Chang), in *Comparative Constitutional Theory* (Gary Jacobsohn & Miguel Schor eds., Edward Elgar 2018).

Awarded the 2018 Distinguished Paper Award of the AALS Section on East Asian Law and Society.

“The Global Language of Human Rights: A Computational Linguistic Analysis,”  
*12 Law & Ethics of Human Rights* 111 (2018) (peer-reviewed).

“Constitutional Inertia and Regime Pluralism in Asia” (with Chien-Chih Lin), in *Constitutional Democracy in Crisis?* (Mark Graber, Sanford Levinson & Mark Tushnet eds., OUP 2018).

“Imposed Constitutions and Romantic Constitutions,” in *The Law and Legitimacy of Imposed Constitutions* (Xenophon Contiades et al. eds., Routledge 2018).

“Alternatives to Liberal Constitutional Democracy,” *76 Maryland Law Review* 223 (2017) (symposium).

Translated into Spanish and reprinted in *51 Revista Derecho y Sociedad* 223 (2018).

“Constitutional Archetypes,” *95 Texas Law Review* 153 (2016).

“Proportionality Review of Administrative Action in Japan, Korea, Taiwan, and China” (with Cheng-Yi Huang), in *Handbook on Comparative Law and Regulation* (Francesca Bignami & David Zaring eds., Edward Elgar 2016).

“Constitutional Drafting in Latin America: A Quantitative Perspective” (with Tom Ginsburg), in *Constitutionalism in the Americas* (Daniel Bonilla & Colin Crawford eds., Edward Elgar 2018).  
Translated into Spanish and published in *El Constitucionalismo en el Continente Americano* (Daniel Bonilla ed., Siglo del Hombre Editores, 2016).

“Judicial Comparativism and Judicial Diplomacy,”  
163 *University of Pennsylvania Law Review* 927 (2015).

“Constitutional Convergence and Comparative Competency: A Reply to Professors Jackson and Krotoszynski,” 66 *Alabama Law Review* 145 (2014).

“Constitutional Variation Among Strains of Authoritarianism” (with Mila Versteeg), in *Constitutions in Authoritarian Regimes* (Tom Ginsburg & Alberto Simpser eds., CUP 2014).

“Comparative Constitutional Law in Action: Japan Versus Korea,” in *The Global Implications of Korean Law* (Korean Legislation Research Institute 2014).

“Sham Constitutions” (with Mila Versteeg), 101 *California Law Review* 863 (2013).  
Reprinted in *Comparative Constitutional Law* (Mark Tushnet ed., Edward Elgar 2018).

“The Myth of the Imposed Constitution,” in *Social and Political Foundations of Constitutions* (Denis Galligan & Mila Versteeg eds., CUP 2013).  
Translated into Chinese (Yilin Press 2016).  
Cited by the Israeli Supreme Court, 46 פד, 3132/15 ר”ג.

“The Declining Influence of the United States Constitution” (with Mila Versteeg),  
87 *NYU Law Review* 762 (2012).  
Featured in “‘We the People’ Loses Followers,” *New York Times*, Feb. 7, 2012, at A1.  
Revised and abridged version entitled “Is the Influence of the U.S. Constitution Declining?”  
forthcoming in *Modern Constitutions* (Rogers Smith & Rick Beeman eds., University of Pennsylvania Press 2020).

“Debating the Declining Influence of the United States Constitution: A Response to Professors Choudhry, Jackson, and Melkinsburg” (with Mila Versteeg),  
87 *NYU Law Review Online* 39 (2012).

“How to Rig the Federal Courts,” 99 *Georgetown Law Journal* 779 (2011).

“The Evolution and Ideology of Global Constitutionalism” (with Mila Versteeg),  
99 *California Law Review* 1163 (2011).  
Translated into Chinese and reprinted in *Tsinghua Rule of Law Forum*, Jan. 2014, at 273-370.

“Why Has Judicial Review Failed in Japan?,” 88 *Washington University Law Review* 1425 (2011).  
Translated into Japanese and reprinted in *Seikei-Ronso [The Review of Economics and Political Science]*, Vol. 81, No. 1(2) (Shin-ichi Nishikawa trans., 2012).

“Judicial Independence,” in 5 *International Encyclopedia of Political Science* 1369 (Bertrand Badie et al. eds., Sage 2011).  
Translated into Romanian and reprinted in *Revista Forumul Judecătorelor*, No. 4, at 37 (2011).

“Introduction: Decision Making on the Japanese Supreme Court,”  
88 *Washington University Law Review* 1365 (2011) (symposium introductory essay).

“The Limits of Global Judicial Dialogue” (with Wen-Chen Chang),  
86 *Washington Law Review* 523 (2011) (symposium).

“Law Versus Ideology: The Supreme Court and the Use of Legislative History”  
(with David Zaring), 51 *William & Mary Law Review* 1653 (2010).

“Constitutions,” in *The Oxford Handbook of Empirical Legal Research* (Peter Cane & Herbert M. Kritzer eds., OUP 2010).  
Foreword to Hiroshi Itoh, *The Supreme Court and Benign Elite Democracy in Japan* (Ashgate 2010).

“A Theory of Judicial Power and Judicial Review,” 97 *Georgetown Law Journal* 723 (2009).

“The Anatomy of a Conservative Court: Judicial Review in Japan,”  
87 *Texas Law Review* 1545 (2009).  
Translated into Japanese and reprinted in *Seikei-Ronso [The Review of Economics and Political Science]*, Vol. 79, No. 1(2) (Shin-ichi Nishikawa trans., 2010).  
Reprinted in *Public Law in East Asia* (Albert H.Y. Chen & Tom Ginsburg eds., Ashgate 2013).

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

“Globalization and the Future of Constitutional Rights,” 102 *Northwestern University Law Review* 1277 (2008).

“There Is Nothing Pragmatic About Originalism” (with David McGowan), 102 *Northwestern University Law Review Colloquy* 86 (2007).

“The Paradox of Omnipotence: Courts, Constitutions, and Commitments,” 40 *Georgia Law Review* 407 (2006).

“Judicial Selection, Appointments Gridlock, and the Nuclear Option” (with Lawrence B. Solum), 15 *Journal of Contemporary Legal Issues* 51 (2006) (symposium).

“Introduction: Positive Political Theory and the Law,” 15 *Journal of Contemporary Legal Issues* 1 (2006) (symposium introductory essay).

“Judicial Ideology and the Decision to Publish: Voting and Publication Patterns in Ninth Circuit Asylum Cases,” 89 *Judicature* 212 (2006).

“Generic Constitutional Law,” 89 *Minnesota Law Review* 652 (2005).

“Strategic Judicial Lawmaking: Ideology, Publication, and Asylum Law in the Ninth Circuit,” 73 *University of Cincinnati Law Review* 817 (2005).  
Reprinted in 26 *Immigration & Nationality Law Review* 275 (2006).

“Appointing Federal Judges: The President, the Senate, and the Prisoner's Dilemma,” 26 *Cardozo Law Review* 479 (2005).

“Why Nuclear Disarmament May Be Easier to Achieve Than an End to Partisan Conflict Over Judicial Appointments” (with Sanford Levinson), 39 *University of Richmond Law Review* 923 (2005).

Note, “Executive Revision of Judicial Decisions,” 109 *Harvard Law Review* 2020 (1996).  
Cited in *Hart & Wechsler's The Federal Courts and the Federal System* 98 (5th ed. 2003).

The Supreme Court, 1994 Term – Leading Cases – *Vernonia School District 47J v. Acton*, 109 *Harvard Law Review* 111, 220-29 (1995).

Book Note, “And Now, A Word From Our Sponsor,” 108 *Harvard Law Review* 489 (1994)  
(reviewing C. Edwin Baker, *Advertising and a Democratic Press*).

<b>NON-ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE</b>	<p><b>ROYAL INSTITUTE OF GOVERNANCE AND STRATEGIC STUDIES</b>, Bhutan 2017 Conducted training on constitution-making and nation-building for Bhutanese diplomats on behalf of the Bhutan Foreign Service Program.</p> <p><b>GUIDEPOINT GLOBAL ADVISORS</b>, New York 2014- <i>Advisor</i> Advise private-sector clients on the political and regulatory environment in China.</p> <p><b>UNITED NATIONS</b>, Sana'a, Yemen 2013 <i>Office of the Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Yemen</i> Provided support and expertise to the political transition and state-building effort in Yemen, pursuant to § 16 of UN Security Council Resolution 2051.</p> <p><b>ROBERT H. SMITH CENTER FOR THE CONSTITUTION</b>, Montpelier, VA 2013 Conducted intensive training on constitutional reform for members of the Myanmar (Burmese) parliament on behalf of the U.S. State Department's International Visitors Leadership Program.</p> <p><b>MUNGER, TOLLES &amp; OLSON LLP</b>, Los Angeles 1998-99 <i>Associate</i>. Corporate practice including mergers and acquisitions, securities and franchise law issues, and counseling of start-up businesses.</p> <p><b>U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT</b>, Los Angeles 1996-97</p>
--------------------------------	--

Law clerk to the Honorable Stephen Reinhardt.

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**, Washington, D.C. 1992  
Held policy internships in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Management and Budget and the Health Care Financing Administration.

**SELECTED  
PRESENTATIONS**

“The UN Role in Constitution-Making” (invited lecture, virtual).  
Dardania College, Kosovo, May 26, 2021.

“Pedagogy and Comparative Constitutional Law.”  
Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Nov. 24, 2020 (virtual).  
University of Milan, Italy, Oct. 21, 2020 (virtual).  
Global Faculty Seminar, Singapore Management University School of Law, Oct. 14, 2020 (virtual).

Comparative Constitutional Law Roundtable, UNSW, Sydney, Dec. 12, 2019.  
Asian Constitutional Law Forum, Vietnam National University, Hanoi, Dec. 6, 2019.

“Hong Kong and Constitutional Inertia in Asia” (plenary address).  
William & Mary School of Law, Conference on “Democracy Under Siege,” Sept. 13, 2019.

“New Frontiers in Judicial Power” (distinguished lecture, virtual).  
Constitution Day Celebration, Nirma University Institute of Law, India, Nov. 26, 2020.

“Judicial Review of Constitutional Amendments: Taiwan.”  
PL4J Conference, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa, July 4, 2019.  
Asian Law Institute Annual Meeting, National University of Singapore, June 11, 2019.  
Asian Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Bond University, Dec. 1, 2018.  
International Society of Public Law (ICON-S), Hong Kong, June 25, 2018.  
Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, Toronto, June 9, 2018.

“Constitutional Amendment Versus Constitutional Replacement: An Empirical Analysis”  
(with Ryan Whalen).  
European Association of Law & Economics, Annual Meeting, Paris, Sept. 25, 2020 (via Zoom).  
Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, Washington, May 30, 2019.  
Comparative Constitutional Law Roundtable, UNSW, Sydney, Dec. 5, 2018.  
Conference on Constitutional Change, Aegina, Greece, Sept. 6, 2018.

“El constitucionalismo sin constitución” (plenary address).  
XIX Jornadas de Derecho Constitucional, Universidad Externado de Colombia, Bogotá, Oct. 18, 2018.

“The Global Language of Human Rights” (invited lecture).  
Constitutional Court of Colombia, Bogotá, Oct. 16, 2018.

“The 2015 Constitution of Nepal: A Quantitative Analysis” (plenary address).  
Conference on the Constitution of Nepal, Kathmandu, Aug. 13, 2018.

“External Influences on Constitution-Making.”  
World Congress of the International Association of Constitutional Law, Seoul, June 20, 2018.

“Time-Saving Devices in the U.S. Federal Appellate Courts” (keynote address).  
Renmin-Bergen-Bielefeld Joint Conference on the Role of Courts in Evolving Societies,  
Renmin University Law School, Beijing, May 25, 2018.

“Computational Approaches to Law.”  
University of Oslo, Law & Technology Roundtable, Oslo, Apr. 16, 2018.

“Constitutional Dissonance in China.”  
Annual Meeting of the American Association of Law Schools, San Diego, Jan. 5, 2018.

“Toward a Genuinely Global Approach to Teaching Comparative Constitutional Law.”  
Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore, Sept. 28, 2017.

“Isolation Versus Globalization: The Dawn of Legal Education in Bhutan.”  
UC Irvine School of Law, Conference on the Globalization of Legal Education,

Sept. 9, 2017.

“Identifying the Normative Foundations of Global Administrative Law: New Empirical Strategies.” WG Hart Legal Workshop, Institute for Advanced Legal Studies, University College London, July 11, 2017.

“Chinese Constitutionalism: An Oxymoron?”

International Society of Public Law (ICON-S), Copenhagen, July 5, 2017.

Center for Asian Legal Studies, National University of Singapore, Jan. 26, 2017.

“Constitutional Dialects: The Language of Transnational Legal Orders.”

PluriCourts/iCourts Methods and Concepts Workshop, University of Oslo, Apr. 17, 2018.

Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, Mexico City, June 22, 2017.

University of Iowa Law School, March 8, 2017.

Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Public Law and Human Rights Workshop, Dec. 26, 2016.

Comparative Constitutional Law Roundtable, UNSW, Sydney, Dec. 13, 2016.

UC Irvine School of Law, Conference on Constitution-Making as Transnational Practice, Sept. 9, 2016.

“Institutional Design and Hierarchical Control of the Judiciary: The Case of Japan.”

University of Haifa Faculty of Law, Israel, Conference on Managing Judges, Dec. 23, 2016.

“The Global Language of Human Rights.”

Boston College Law School, Workshop on Global Constitutionalism and Human Rights, Dec. 1, 2016.

“Constitutional Archetypes.”

International Society of Public Law (ICON-S), Berlin, June 2016.

Conference on Empirical Legal Studies in Europe, Amsterdam, June 2016.

Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, St. Louis, Oct. 2015.

Centre for Comparative and Public Law, University of Hong Kong, Dec. 2015.

“Forms and Causes of Transjudicialism.”

Symposium on Constitutionalism, Religious Freedom and Human Rights, Hannover, Germany, June 5, 2015.

“Constitutional Traditions and Comparative Constitutional Theory.”

Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, Seattle, May 31, 2015.

“The Structure of Global Constitutionalism.”

National Taiwan University College of Law, Taipei, May 20, 2015.

“Constitutional Expertise? The Institutional Infrastructure of Constitutional Globalization.”

Stanford Law School, Jan. 14, 2015.

“Judicial Comparativism and Judicial Diplomacy.”

Fordham Law School, New York, Jan. 28, 2015.

Yonsei University, Centre for Public Governance and Law, Seoul, Dec. 19, 2014.

Georgetown Constitutional Law Colloquium, Oct. 20, 2014.

Temple Law School, Philadelphia, Oct. 2, 2014.

University of Hong Kong, Centre for Comparative and Public Law, May 2, 2014.

“Constitutional Drafting in Latin America: A Quantitative Perspective.”

Conference on Constitutionalism in the Americas,

Universidad de los Andes School of Law, Bogota, Colombia, Aug. 22, 2014.

“The Globalization of Constitutional Courts.”

Comparative Constitutional Law Roundtable, GW Law School, Mar. 7, 2014.

Whittier Law School, Feb. 6, 2014.

“The Importance of Constitutionalism” (with Jack Balkin, Mark Graber & Sandy Levinson).

Annual Meeting of the American Association of Law Schools, New York, Jan. 3, 2014.

“Comparative Constitutional Law in Action: Japan, Korea, and Taiwan.”

Tulane Law School, Oct. 28, 2013.

American University, Washington College of Law, Nov. 21, 2013.

“Why Study the Japanese Supreme Court? A Foreign Perspective.”  
Meiji University, Tokyo, July 15, 2013.

“The State of the Attitudinal Model.”  
Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, Boston, May 2013.

“The Constitution-Making Infrastructure of the United Nations.”  
Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, Boston, May 2013.

“Use of Foreign Law by Constitutional Courts in Taiwan, Korea, and the United States.”  
Korean Legislation Research Institute, University of Hawai’i, Apr. 26, 2013.

“How and Why Is the Japanese Supreme Court Conservative?”  
Harvard Law School, East Asian Legal Studies Program, Mar. 14, 2013.

“Isolation Versus Engagement: The Taiwanese Constitutional Court’s Use of Foreign Law.”  
Stanford University, Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law, Mar. 8, 2013.

“Is the World Rejecting American Constitutionalism?”  
Opening Event, Penn Program on Democracy, Citizenship, and Constitutionalism,  
National Constitution Center, Philadelphia, Sept. 20, 2012.

“Sham Constitutions.”  
University of Chicago, Conference on Constitutions in Authoritarian Regimes, Oct. 21, 2011.  
University of Wisconsin-Madison Law School, Constitutional Law Schmooze, Nov. 4, 2011.  
University of Illinois College of Law, Colloquium on Law, Behavior, and Social Science,  
Feb. 6, 2012.  
University of Toronto Faculty of Law, Apr. 5, 2012.

“Politics and the Judiciary in Northeast Asia: Political Trials in Taiwan.”  
Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, D.C., Apr. 17, 2012.

“The Limits of Global Judicial Dialogue.”  
Symposium on “Global Law and Its Exceptions,” University of Washington School of Law,  
Seattle, Feb. 2011.  
U.S.-Asia Law Institute, NYU School of Law, April 2011.  
Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, San Francisco, June 2011.  
Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Seattle, Sept. 2011.  
Workshop on Judges and Judging, American University, Washington, D.C., Sept. 2011.

“The Declining Influence of the United States Constitution.”  
Fourth Annual Asian Constitutional Law Forum, University of Hong Kong, Dec. 2011.  
Seoul National University School of Law, Foreign Authority Forum, July 2011.  
International Symposium on Legal Protection of Human Rights,  
Yeungnam University Institute of Legal Studies, Daegu, Korea, Oct. 2010.

“Empirical Methodology and Comparative Constitutional Law.”  
VIIIth World Congress of the International Association of Constitutional Law, Mexico City,  
Dec. 2010.

“The Myth of Imposed Constitutionalism in Japan.”  
Hitotsubashi Law School, Faculty Colloquium, Tokyo, Dec. 2010.  
National Taiwan University College of Law, Faculty Colloquium, Taipei, Nov. 2010.  
Workshop on the Social and Political Foundations of Constitutions, Oxford, May 2010.

“The Evolution and Ideology of Global Constitutionalism” (with Mila Versteeg).  
Tsinghua University Law School, Beijing, Jan. 2011.  
Academia Sinica, Institutum Iurisprudentiae, Taipei, Jan. 2011.  
International Law Center, Chinese Culture University, Taipei, Nov. 2010.  
Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., 2010.  
Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, Chicago, May 2010.

“The Impact of Institutional Structure on Judicial Behavior.”



Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Apr. 2010.

“How to Rig the Federal Courts.”  
Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, Mar. 2010.  
Michigan State University College of Law, Distinguished Speakers Series, Dec. 2009.  
Northwestern University School of Law, Searle Law and Political Economy Colloquium,  
Chicago, Nov. 2009.

“The Constitution in 2020: Constitutional Theory” (panel discussion).  
Yale Law School, Oct. 2009.

“When Is Judicial Review a Strategic Mistake?”  
Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, Denver, May 2009.

“The Anatomy of a Conservative Court: Judicial Review in Japan.”  
Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, Denver, May 2009.

“U.S.-Japan Relations and Japan’s Position in a Changing World” (panel discussion).  
Council on Foreign Relations, International Affairs Fellows Conference,  
New York, May 2009.

“How to Design a Conservative Judiciary: Constitutional Review in Japan.”  
Symposium, “What Do We Know About Constitutional Design?”  
University of Texas School of Law, Austin, Jan. 2009.  
Comparative Constitutional Law Roundtable, GW Law School, Feb. 2009.

“Why Supreme Court Justices Use Legislative History: An Empirical Investigation.”  
(with David Zaring).  
Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Apr. 2009.  
Third Annual Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Cornell Law School, Sept. 2008.  
Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, Aug. 2008.

“What Is Judicial Ideology, and How Do We Measure It?” (with Joshua Fischman).  
Third Annual Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Cornell Law School, Sept. 2008.  
Symposium on Empirical Research on Decision-Making in the Federal Courts,  
Washington University in St. Louis School of Law, Apr. 2008.

“A Theory of Judicial Power and Judicial Review.”  
*Georgetown Law Journal* Author Lecture Series, Washington, D.C., Apr. 2009.  
Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, Aug. 2008.  
Harvard Law School and Institute for Quantitative Social Science,  
Conference on Public Law and Political Economy, June 2008.  
Joint Conference of the Western Law Teachers of Color & Asian Pacific American Law  
Faculty, Denver, Apr. 2008.  
Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Apr. 2008.

“Globalization and the Future of Constitutional Rights.”  
Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, Aug. 2007.  
Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, Berlin, July 2007.  
Yale Junior International Law Scholars Roundtable, New Haven, Mar. 2007.

“Globalization and Constitutional Convergence.”  
University Seminar on Global Governance and Democracy,  
Duke University Center for International Studies, Jan. 2007.

“Globalization and the Future of Constitutional Law.”  
Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Apr. 2007.  
William & Mary Law School Faculty Colloquium, Dec. 2006.  
University of Texas Law School Faculty Colloquium, Austin, Sept. 2006.

“On the Judicial Use of Foreign and International Law,” American Constitution Society,  
University of Texas School of Law, Austin, Sept. 2006.

“Globalization and Constitutional Law.”  
Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences, Honolulu, June 2006.

“The Paradox of Omnipotence: Courts, Constitutions, and Commitments.”  
 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Apr. 2005.  
 Symposium on Sovereignty, University of Texas School of Law, Austin, Apr. 2005.  
 NYU Law School Colloquium on Law, Economics, and Politics, Sept. 2005.  
 University of Southern California Law School Faculty Workshop, Sept. 2005.  
 Center for the Study of Law and Society, University of California, Berkeley, Oct. 2005.  
 “Pivotal Politics, Appointments Gridlock, and the Nuclear Option” (with Lawrence Solum).  
 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., Sept. 2005.

**MEDIA  
 APPEARANCES  
 & INTERVIEWS**

CNN, *American Morning*, July 31, 2009 (discussing states’ rights movements).  
 KSPC Claremont, *Uproot*, July 3, 2010 (discussing judicial nominations).  
 Wisconsin Public Radio, *The Kathleen Dunn Show*, Sept. 22, 2010 (discussing legal and political challenges to federal health care reform).  
 WCHB News Detroit, July 19, 2011 (discussing the federal debt ceiling).  
 WCHB News Detroit, Aug. 28, 2011 (discussing President Obama’s support among black voters).  
*The New York Times*, “We the People’ Loses Appeal Around the World,” Feb. 7, 2012, at A1 (interviewed by Adam Liptak about the declining global influence of the U.S. Constitution).  
 St. Louis Public Radio (KWMU), *St. Louis on the Air*, “Influence of US Constitution Abroad,” Feb. 8, 2012, <http://www.stlpublicradio.org/programs/slots/archivedetail.php?date='2012-02-08'#segC>.  
 WNJC Philadelphia, *Rob Kall Bottom Up Radio Show*, “The US Constitution in Free Fall,” Feb. 8, 2012.  
 WDEL Delaware, *News at Noon*, Feb. 8, 2012 (interviewed about the global popularity of the U.S. Constitution as a model).  
 Southern California Public Radio (KPCC/KUOR/KVLA), *The Patt Morrison Show*, “We the (Won’t) People,” Feb. 9, 2012: <http://www.scpr.org/programs/patt-morrison/2012/02/09/22459/we-the-wont-people-study-says-the-us-constitution>.  
 Fox KTVI 2 (St. Louis), *The Jaco Report*, “U.S. Constitution Too Old?,” Feb. 11, 2012: <http://fox2now.com/2012/02/12/the-jaco-report-birth-control-mandate-us-constitution>.  
*St. Louis Beacon*, “Take Five: Scholar David Law on U.S. Constitution’s declining global appeal,” Feb. 3, 2012.  
 Voice of Russia Radio (Washington & New York), *Capitol Correspondent*, Feb. 16, 2012.  
*Christian Post*, “Influence of US Constitution Declining Globally,” Feb. 17, 2012.  
 Fox News Channel, *Fox & Friends*, Feb. 19, 2012 (interviewed about whether the U.S. Constitution is “outdated”).  
 KDHX St. Louis, *Collateral Damage*, Feb. 20, 2012: <http://kdhx.org/ondemand/podcasts/collateraldamage/professor-david-law-and-the-us-constitution>.  
 NPR (WAMU), *The Kojo Nnamdi Show*, Feb. 28, 2012, “We the People: Declining Global Appeal of U.S. Constitution,” <http://thekojoannamdishow.org/shows/2012-02-28/we-people-declining-global-appeal-us-constitution>.  
*Vancouver Sun*, “Canadian Model a Global Template, U.S. Study Finds,” Apr. 14, 2012.  
*The Globe and Mail*, “Charter that reshaped Canada becomes a model to the world,” Apr. 16, 2012, at A1.  
*Washington Post*, “Divining Congress’s intent,” Apr. 22, 2012, at A11 (discussing the Supreme Court’s use of legislative history).  
*Asahi Shimbun* (Tokyo), “Japan’s Constitution is still one of the world’s most advanced,” May 3, 2012, at 12 (discussing the endurance of Japan’s postwar constitution).  
 WEAA Baltimore, *The Marc Steiner Show*, May 31, 2012 (discussing the need for revision of the U.S. Constitution).  
*Slate*, “Where’s the Party?,” June 21, 2012, <http://hive.slate.com/hive/how-can-we-fix-constitution/article/wheres-the-party> (criticizing the Constitution’s failure to acknowledge the role of parties, and proposing a constitutional amendment that would require open primaries).  
 Voice of Russia Radio, American Edition (Washington, New York, Chicago), Sept. 17, 2012 (interviewed on Constitution Day about the U.S. Constitution’s 225<sup>th</sup> birthday).

NPR (WAMU), *The Kojo Nnamdi Show*, Oct. 3, 2012, “Free Speech: A Global Debate,” <http://thekojonnamdishow.org/shows/2012-10-03/free-speech-global-debate>

KPFK Los Angeles/Santa Barbara/San Diego, *Scholars’ Circle*, Jan. 10, 2013 (group discussion with Louis Michael Seidman and Sandy Levinson of Seidman’s new book, *On Constitutional Disobedience*).

KPFK Los Angeles/Santa Barbara/San Diego, *Scholars’ Circle*, Jan. 17, 2013 (discussing gun control with Erwin Chemerinsky and Sandy Levinson).

*Asahi Shimbun* (Tokyo), “A constitution is the mirror of nation-building,” June 30, 2013, at 4 (interviewed about the propriety of constitutional amendment).

Voice of Russia Radio, American Edition (Washington, New York, Chicago), Sept. 12, 2013 (interviewed about whether the Supreme Court is “pro-business”).

WWL New Orleans, *Tommy Tucker Show*, Oct. 15, 2013 (discussing reproductive freedom and constitutionality of chemical castration of violent offenders).

WWL New Orleans, *Tommy Tucker Show*, Mar. 14, 2014 (discussing freedom of expression in public schools).

WWL New Orleans, *Tommy Tucker Show*, Apr. 23, 2014 (discussing the Supreme Court’s affirmative action decision in *Schuetz v. BAMN*).

Voice of America, *Daybreak Asia*, July 3, 2014 (interviewed about the military’s ability to block constitutional reform in Myanmar).

WWL New Orleans, *Tommy Tucker Show*, Feb. 10, 2015 (discussing Alabama Chief Justice Roy Moore and the Supreme Court’s pending same-sex marriage decisions).

WWL New Orleans, *Tommy Tucker Show*, Mar. 4, 2015 (discussing whether encouraging others to commit suicide is constitutionally protected free speech).

*National Law Journal*, Supreme Court Brief, “In Japan, Chief Justice Roberts Will Find a Very Different Supreme Court,” Mar. 30, 2015 (interviewed about differences between the U.S. Supreme Court and Japanese Supreme Court).

WWL New Orleans, *Tommy Tucker Show*, May 11, 2015 (discussing the legality of restaurant discounts for white customers).

Bloomberg Radio, *Bloomberg Law*, June 10, 2015 (interviewed live about the Fifth Circuit’s decision in *Whole Woman’s Health* upholding various restrictions on Texas abortion clinics).

WWL New Orleans, *Tommy Tucker Show*, June 29, 2015 (interviewed live about the Supreme Court’s same-sex marriage decision in *Obergefell v. Hodges*).

Bloomberg Radio, *Bloomberg Law*, July 27, 2015 (interviewed live about the Eighth Circuit’s decision in *Red River Women’s Clinic* striking down North Dakota’s abortion ban).

WWL New Orleans, *Tommy Tucker Show*, Feb. 29, 2016 (discussing the implications of Justice Scalia’s death and the process for replacing him).

WWL New Orleans, *Tommy Tucker Show*, Mar. 23, 2016 (discussing the stalled nomination of Merrick Garland to the Supreme Court).

*Scientific American*, “Trump’s First 100 Days: Health Care,” Nov. 28, 2016 (discussing the potential for defunding of Planned Parenthood under the new administration).

WWL New Orleans, *Tommy Tucker Show*, Apr. 10, 2017 (discussing the War Powers Resolution and the legality of missile strikes against Syria).

CGTN, *The Point with Liu Xin*, June 9, 2017 (interviewed live about the implications of James Comey’s congressional testimony for the Trump Administration), <http://bit.ly/2sfGHs8>.

*Nature*, “What countries’ constitutions reveal about how societies evolve,” Nov. 16, 2017 (discussing research on chronological patterns in the adoption of constitutional rights).

WWL New Orleans, *Newell Normand Show*, Mar. 1, 2018 (interviewed live about gun control).

CGTN, *The Point with Liu Xin*, Mar. 12, 2018 (interviewed live about amendments to the Chinese Constitution regarding the National Supervisory Commission), <https://youtu.be/pHobYMKgqZQ>.

CGTN, *World Insight with Tian Wei*, Mar. 15, 2018 (interviewed live about proposed reorganization of the Chinese government).

CNN, “The Global Move from Autocracy to Democracy,” June 25, 2018 (interviewed about popular backlash against liberal constitutional democracy), <https://cnn.it/2uYqOGk>.

*Derecho a la Carta*, “Constitucionalismo Impostor,” Oct. 21, 2018 (interviewed about my 2018 Spanish-language book, *Constituciones aparentes*, on Colombia’s leading legal podcast): <https://www.spreaker.com/user/externadoradio/297-constitucionalismo-impostor>.

CGTN, *The Point with Liu Xin*, Dec. 13, 2018 (interviewed live about the extradition of Huawei CFO Meng Wanzhou), <https://youtu.be/eO4vHvd2oEE>.

WWL New Orleans, *Tommy Tucker Show*, Jan. 4, 2019 (interviewed live about the legality of sheltering migrants).

CGTN, *The Point with Liu Xin*, Jan. 16, 2019 (interviewed live about China's imposition of the death penalty on Canadian citizen Robert Schellenberg), <https://youtu.be/Fudc2bAHeH4>.

Arirang TV (South Korea), *The Point*, Jan. 28, 2019 (interviewed live about Canada-China relations following the sentencing of Robert Schellenberg), <https://youtu.be/FFJjOy6kq4k>.

CGTN, *The Point with Liu Xin*, Jan. 29, 2019 (interviewed live about Duke University faculty criticism of Chinese students for speaking Chinese), <https://youtu.be/y6kz8GHRnTQ>.

Voice of America, Mar. 7, 2019 (interviewed about Huawei's federal lawsuit against the U.S. government), <https://bit.ly/2ERcCnw>.

Radio Free Asia, Mar. 7, 2019 (discussing Huawei's federal lawsuit against the U.S. government) (in Chinese), <https://bit.ly/2J5rm7B>.

CGTN, *The Point with Liu Xin*, Mar. 8, 2019, <https://youtu.be/y6TtYzOsgxI> (interviewed live about Huawei's federal lawsuit against the U.S. government).

WWL New Orleans, *Tommy Tucker Show*, June 14, 2019 (interviewed live about the proposed extradition law and resulting mass protests in Hong Kong).

WWL New Orleans, *Tommy Tucker Show*, July 2, 2019 (interviewed live about protests in Hong Kong on anniversary of handover to China).

*Hong Kong Economic Journal*, 美國恐修訂政策法, Aug. 2019, at pp. 24-25, <https://bit.ly/2K3Ca4H> (interviewed about US-Hong Kong relations).

CGTN, *The Point*, Aug. 14, 2019 (interviewed live about protests in Hong Kong triggered by extradition law).

*Vancouver Sun*, "Hong Kong offers withdrawal of extradition bill, but protests likely to continue," Sept. 5, 2019 <https://bit.ly/2kvcynn> (discussing need for independent inquiry into police misconduct).

*Harper's Magazine*, "Constitution in Crisis: Has America's founding document become the nation's undoing?" October 2019, at 25-32 (with Donna Edwards, Mary Anne Franks, Lawrence Lessig, and Louis Michael Seidman) (cover story), <https://harpers.org/archive/2019/10/constitution-in-crisis>.

*Financial Times*, "US House passes act in support of Hong Kong protesters," Oct. 15, 2019 (interviewed about potential impact of the Hong Kong Human Rights and Democracy Act).

Verfassungsblog, "Editorial: Be Aware or Be Next!" Nov. 22, 2019 (discussing, inter alia, prospects for Hong Kong and influence of China amidst growing protests), <https://verfassungsblog.de/be-aware-or-be-next>.

Verfassungsblog, "One Country, One System," May 27, 2020, <https://t.co/WIopFXVsiY> (discussing China's proposed "national security" legislation for Hong Kong).

*Globe and Mail*, "New Hong Kong security law will permit Beijing to go after critics beyond China's borders," July 4, 2020 (discussing the new National Security Law).

S&P Global Market Intelligence, "TikTok challenges Trump's executive order," Aug. 24, 2020, <https://bit.ly/2YxcT9V> (discussing possible legal challenges to IEEPA action).

*Citizen News*, "What Really Is Separation of Powers?" Sept. 7, 2020, <https://bit.ly/2R8Qzz6> (op-ed explaining the concept of "separation of powers" in the Hong Kong context).

*South China Morning Post*, "US Commerce Department defends Trump administration's TikTok ban after new court ruling," Sept. 28, 2020, <https://bit.ly/2S3ob2o> (discussing preliminary injunction against Trump administration ban on TikTok).

*South China Morning Post*, "TikTok must resolve other US restrictions after Trump ban is halted, legal experts say," Sept. 29, 2020, <https://bit.ly/3kZPC9c> (discussing legal challenges to TikTok ban).

RTHK, *The Pulse*, Nov. 6, 2020 (interviewed about the 2020 US elections): <https://podcast.rthk.hk/podcast/item.php?pid=205>.

AP News, "The end approaches for Chile's military-era constitution," Mar. 17, 2021, <https://bit.ly/2P7z44Q> (interviewed about global practices in constitutional drafting).

**EDITORIAL &  
REFEREE WORK**

Co-editor of Oxford University Press's forthcoming book series, *Judicial Systems of the World*.  
Editorial Board, *Asian Journal of Law and Society*.

Editorial Board, *Constitutional Studies*.  
 Editorial Board, *Yonsei Law Journal*.  
 Advisory Board, *Zeitschrift für öffentliches Recht*.  
 External grant reviewer for the National Science Foundation, the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, the Japan Foundation, the Academy of Finland, the Israel Science Foundation, and the Volkswagen Foundation.  
 Referee for Oxford University Press; Cambridge University Press; Stanford University Press; Yale University Press; Edward Elgar Publishing; Hart Publishing; Routledge Publishing; *American Political Science Review*; *American Journal of Political Science*; *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*; *World Politics*; *Polity*; *American Politics Research*; *Politics & Gender*; *Journal of Legal Studies*; *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies*; *Journal of Law and Courts*; *Law & Society Review*; *Law & Social Inquiry*; *Review of Law & Economics*; *International Review of Law & Economics*; *American Journal of Comparative Law*; *International Journal of Constitutional Law*; *Asian Journal of Comparative Law*; *Asian Journal of Law and Society*; *Chinese Journal of Comparative Law*; *European Journal of East Asian Studies*; *Journal of Current Chinese Affairs*; *Indian Law Review*; *Journal of Human Rights and the Environment*; *Journal of Law and Religion*; *Constitutional Court Review*.  
 Reviewer for Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (2009, 2011, 2016); Conference on Empirical Legal Studies in Europe (2016); Conference on Empirical Legal Studies in Asia (2017).  
 Editor, *Journal of Contemporary Legal Issues*, 2006 (“Positive Political Theory and the Law”).

**INTERNAL SERVICE**

University Selection and Promotion Committee, University of Hong Kong, 2016-.  
 Responsible for reviewing tenured hires, grants of tenure, senior-level promotions, and contract extensions beyond age 60 in the Humanities, Social Sciences, Education, Business, Architecture, and Law Faculties.  
 Dean Search Emissary (Law), University of Hong Kong, 2019.  
 Dean Search Committee (Law), University of Hong Kong, 2019-20.  
 Dean Search Committee (Law), University of Hong Kong, 2018-19.  
 Faculty Research Committee, Faculty of Law, University of Hong Kong, 2018-.  
 Faculty Appointments Committee, Washington University Law School, 2011-12.

**EXTERNAL SERVICE**

Executive Committee, East Asian Law and Society Interest Group, American Association of Law Schools, 2019-.  
 Advisory Board, Global Law Deans’ Forum and Annual Meeting of International Association of Law Schools, Gdansk, Poland, 2019.  
 Ad Hoc Professional Committee, Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya, 2019.  
 International Society of Public Law (ICON-S) Book Award Committee, 2017-18.  
 American Political Science Association, Law and Courts Section, Lifetime Achievement Award Committee, 2015-16.  
 Committee of Visitors, National Science Foundation, Social & Economic Sciences Division, 2012-13 (responsible for evaluating NSF grant decisions in law and social science).  
 Program Committee, Law & Society Association, 2013 Annual Meeting.  
 Planning Committee, American Association of Law Schools, 2013 Annual Meeting, Workshop on Globalizing the Curriculum.  
 Executive Committee, American Political Science Association, Law and Courts Section, 2010-12.  
 Organizing Committee, East Asian Collaborative Research Network (CRN 33) of the Law & Society Association, 2012 Annual Meeting.  
 Fulbright National Selection Committee for Taiwan, 2010-11.

**LANGUAGES**

Chinese (Mandarin) spoken fluently.  
 Proficient in French.

**PROFESSIONAL LICENSES**

Admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of California, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, and U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, 1996.

Admitted to practice before the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, 2010.  
Licensed real estate broker, California Department of Real Estate, 2004.