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Employment

St. John's University School of Law (starting June 2023)
Professor of Law; Associate Dean for Faculty Scholarship (starting June 2026)

Pace Law School, White Plains, NY 2014-2023
Professor of Law (with tenure)

Columbia Law School, New York, NY 2015-2016
Visiting Professor of Law

Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA, 2014-2015
Visiting Professor of Law

Pace Law School, White Plains, NY 2009-2014
Associate Professor of Law

Columbia Law School, New York, NY 2007-2009
Associate-in-Law. Taught a course on legal research and writing

UCLA School of Law, Los Angeles, CA 2006-2007
Williams Fellow. Taught an undergraduate course on gender theory.

Proskauer Rose LLP, New York, NY 2004-2006
Litigation Associate. Researched matters involving various areas of commercial litigation, and drafted appellate briefs, injunctions, and legal memoranda.

Books

SECULAR-CHRISTIAN SOCIAL JUSTICE (NYU Press 2026).

Articles, Essays, Book Chapters

Gender Trouble in the Court, WILLIAM & MARY LAW REVIEW (Forthcoming 2026).

Gender Regrets: Banning Abortion and Gender-Affirming Care, 2024 UTAH L. REV. 763 (2024) (with Margot J. Pollans) (Winner of Dukeminier Award 2025).

Transforming Legal Sex, 102 N.C. L. REV. 335 (2024).

Queer Political Theology from QAnon to Greta Thunberg, in ENTICEMENTS: QUEER LEGAL STUDIES (Brenda Cossman & Joseph Fischel NYU Press 2023) (invited contribution)

The Emergency Next Time, 18 STAN J. C.R. & C.L 51 (2022).

How to Bring Your Kids up Queer: Family Law Realism, Then and Now, 55 FAM. L. Q (2022) (with Kris Franklin) (invited contribution)

Trauma-Centered Social Justice, 95 TULANE. L. REV. 95 (2020)

- winner of 2020 Goettel Prize for Faculty Scholarship.
- Cited and quoted by U.S. District Court, D. Oregon in *Smith v. City of the Dalles*, 2021 WL 2251845.
- Reprinted in Kraiem, Lebron & Abrams, WOMEN & THE LAW (2022).

The Right Family, 39 COLUM. J. GENDER & L. 1 (2020) (with Margot J. Pollans).

Of Trauma and Power, in CRITICAL ANALYSIS OF LAW 6:1 (2019) (invited contribution).

Laws of Sex, Changed, in OXFORD HANDBOOK OF L. & HUMANITIES (Del Mar, Meyler & Stern Eds.) (2019) (invited contribution).

How is Sex Harassment Discriminatory? 94 NOTRE DAME L. REV. ONLINE 25 (2018) (invited contribution to Feminist Judgments Symposium).

Faith-Based Emergency Powers, 41 HARV. J. L. & GENDER 269 (2018).

In the Shadow of a Myth: Bargaining for Same-Sex Divorce, 78 OHIO ST. L.J. 1345 (2017).

Harms, Establishment and the Homosexual Question (section introduction in RELIGION, LAW & HEALTH IN THE U.S., Lynch, Cohen & Sepper eds. Cambridge U. Press 2017).

The Two Laws of Sex Stereotyping, 57 B. C. L. REV. 1187 (2016) (winner of 2017 Goettel Prize for Faculty Scholarship).

Conferring Dignity, 37 HARV. J. L. & GENDER 243 (2014) (reprinted in Ashgate Library of Essays on Philosophers and Law (Robin West ed.)).

The Lawmaking Family, 90 WASH. U. L. REV. 363 (2012) (winner of 2013 Goettel Prize for Faculty Scholarship).

Obligatory Health, 15 YALE HUM. RIGHTS & DEV. L.J. 1 (2012).

Legalism and Decisionism in Crisis, 71 OHIO ST. L.J. 699 (2010).

Legal Holes, 5 UNBOUND 1 (2009) (invited contribution).

The Curing Law, 30 CARDOZO L. REV 1885 (2009)

- Cited in *Coyote Pub., Inc. v. Miller*, 598 F.3d 592 (9th Cir. 2010)
- Cited by the Israeli Supreme Court in 51818 ף"גז (2017) (regarding the laws of surrogacy).

Who Says "I Do"? (reviewing Judith Butler & Gayatri Spivak, *Who Sings The Nation-State?* (2007)), 21 YALE J.L. & FEMINISM 245 (2009) (invited contribution).

The Necessity of Sex Change: A Struggle for Intersex and Transsex Liberties, 29 HARV. J.L. & GENDER 51 (2006)

- Cited in *Schroer v. Billington*, 424 F. Supp. 2d 203 (D.D.C. 2006)
- partially reprinted in William N. Eskridge, Jr. & Nan D. Hunter, *Sexuality, Gender & the Law* (3d ed. 2011)).

Paradoxes of Health and Equality: When a Boy Becomes a Girl, 16 YALE J.L. & FEMINISM 275 (2004).

Screening Historical Sexualities: Roundtable on Sodomy, South Africa, and Proteus, 11 GLQ: J. GAY & LESBIAN STUD. 437 (2005) (with Bruce Brassel, Daniel Garrett, John Greyson, Jack Lewis and Susan Newton-King).

Education

New York University School of Law, Doctor of Juridical Science (J.S.D.) 2006

Recipient of full scholarship based upon academic merit

New York University School of Law, Master of Laws (LL.M.) 2001

Dean's Merit Scholarship

Bar-Ilan University School of Law (Israel), Bachelor of Law (LL.B.) 1999

Presentations

Gender Trouble in the Court, Buffalo University, LGBTQ FSA Association & Work-in-Progress workshop, April 2026

Trans Rights Webinar (invited participant) Gender + Justice Initiative, Georgetown University, April 2026.

Gender Trouble, Recentering Sex, White Nationalism, Maryland Law Review Annual, Symposium (Keynote speaker), March 2026.

Gender Trouble in the Court, Chicago Law School, Regulation of Family, Sex, and Gender Workshop, February 2026.

Gender Regrets, Dukeminier Awards Webinar, September 2025.

White Nationalism and Transgender Erasure, Critical Justice Institute at Seattle University Law School (invited speaker), July 2025.

Secular-Christian Social Justice (Author Meets Readers) ASLCH Annual Conference, June 2025, Washington, D.C.

White Nationalism and Transgender Erasure, Denver Law Review Annual Symposium, April 2025

White Nationalism and Transgender Erasure, Georgetown J.L. & Gender Annual Symposium: Transcendence: Legal Efforts to Protect and Advance LGBTQ+ Youth Rights, Mar. 2025

White Nationalism and Transgender Erasure, Virginia Law Review Annual Symposium: Justice in Transition, Feb.2025

Transforming Legal Sex, Harv. C.R.C.L Annual symposium, April 2024.

Transforming Legal Sex, Utah Law Review Symposium: Criminalizing Care, Nov. 2023

Transforming Legal Sex, UVA Law School Law and Inequality Seminar, Oct.2023

Transforming Legal Sex, University of Akron's Center for Constitutional Law's 2023 Conference on Gender, Health and the Constitution, Oct. 2023

Transforming Legal Sex, Law and Society Annual Conference, Puerto Rico, June 2023.

Transforming Legal Sex, Transgender Studies Conference, John's Hopkins University, Apr. 2023.

Gender Identity, The New Legal Sex, Hopkins Chair Lecture, Elisabeth Haub University School of Law, October 2022.

Trauma-Centered Social Justice, Perspectives Series Lecture, U. Washington School of Law, February 2022 (via zoom)

Trans Kids and the Culture Wars, International Conference Celebrating 10 years of Legal Clinics, Reichman University, Harry Radzyner Law School (Israel) December 2021.

Queer Political Theology: from QAnon to Greta Thunberg, Law and Society, May 2021 (via zoom).

Future of Work, Plenary Interdisciplinary Panel, Pace University, April 2021 (via zoom).

Biological Binary Sex Essentialism in the Law and Public Policy Workshop, invitation only roundtable discussion, Harvard University, GenderSci Lab, April 2021 (via zoom).

Queer Political Theology from QAnon to Greta Thunberg, Enticements: Queer Legal Studies contributors' workshop, December 2020 (via zoom).

Of Trauma and Power, Provocations in Queer Legal Studies Conference, Yale University, September 2019.

Dignity as Political Theology, Law & Society Annual Conference, May 2019.

The Right Family, Family Law Scholars & Teachers Annual Conference, May 2019.

Of Trauma and Power, Allard School of Law, U. of British Columbia, Shifting Normativities: Families, Feminisms, Laws (Conference), May 2019.

Of Trauma and Power, Wisconsin Law School, Black Lives Matter, #MeToo, & the Role of Intersectional Legal Analysis (symposium), April 2019.

Laws of Sex, Changed, Queen Mary University of London, Conference for Oxford Handbook of Law and Humanities contributors, June 2018.

Faith-Based Emergency Powers, Harvard Law School, J.L. & Gender Author talk, April 2018.

The New Emergency Powers, Public Rights/Private Conscience Project, Columbia Law School, April 2016.

The Two Laws of Sex Stereotyping, Columbia Law School, Faculty Workshop, Nov. 2015.

The Two Laws of Sex Stereotyping, Harvard Law School, Faculty Workshop, April 2015.

Conferring Dignity, Annual Meeting of Japanese American Society for Legal Studies (Keynote Speaker), University of Tokyo, Japan, September 2014.

Conferring Dignity, AALS Midyear Meeting, Washington DC, June 2014.

Conferring Dignity, Bar-Ilan University School of Law, Faculty Seminar, Ramat-Gan, Israel, May 2014.

Conferring Dignity, University of Chicago Law School, Regulating Family, Sex & Gender Workshop, Feb. 2014.

Obligatory Health, AALS Annual Meeting, New York, NY, Jan. 2014.

Conferring Dignity, Boston University School of Law, Gender Law & Policy Colloquium, Nov. 2013.

Conferring Dignity, New York LGBT workshop, Nov. 2013.

Conferring Dignity, St. John's University School of Law, Faculty Workshop, Nov. 2013.

Cultivating Thinking, Emerging Family Law Teachers and Scholars Conference, Brooklyn Law School, June 2013

Reflections on the Global Market for Surrogacy, Women and Society Seminar discussant, Columbia University, May 2013.

Cultivating Thinking, Williams Institute Fellows Workshop, UCLA School of Law, April 2013.

The 21st Century Family, Training for the Justices of the New York Appellate Division, April 2013.

The Medicalization of Trans and Intersex Identities: A Global Perspective, Panel on Transsexual Citizenship across Borders, New School for Social Research, October 2012.

The Lawmaking Family, Temple Law School, Faculty Workshop, October 2012.

The Lawmaking Family, Quinnipiac University School of Law, Faculty Workshop, September 2012.

The Lawmaking Family, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Conference, August 2012.

The Lawmaking Family, Emerging Family Law Scholars Conference, Fordham Law School, May 2012.

The Lawmaking Family, Cornell Law School, Faculty Workshop, April 2012.

The Lawmaking Family, Association for the Study of Law, Culture, and the Humanities Annual Conference, Texas Wesleyan School of Law, March 2012.

The Lawmaking Family, Drexel Law School, Faculty Workshop, March 2012.

Legalism and Decisionism in Crisis, Franco-American Legal Influences, Then and Now Harvard Law School, June 2011.

Obligatory Health, the Association for the Study of Law, Culture, and the Humanities Annual Conference, Las Vegas, March 2011.

The Decisionist Family, Law and Society, Chicago, May 2010.

Legalism and Decisionism in Crisis, Northeast Regional Law and Society Meeting, Amherst College, January 2010.

The Family and its Others: Hannah Arendt's Notion of the Political, Family Law Summer Conference, Harvard Law School, July 2009.

Legalism and Decisionism in Crisis, Law and Society Association Annual Conference, Denver, May 2009.

The Curing Law: On the Legal Evolution of Baby Making Markets, New Directions in Reproductive Technologies Conference, Cardozo Law School, February 2009.

The Legal Management of Intersex Individuals, Law of Shame and Dignity Conference, Harvard Law School, November 2004.

Children, Feminist Politics, and Sexual Harassment, Turn to Scholarship Conference, NYU School of Law, January 2004.

Service and Community Participation

Co-Chair of Women, Gender & the Law Concentration (Since 2019) (w/Profs. Crawford & Rosenblum)

Faculty Advisor to Pace Law Review (Since 2019)

Law Faculty Representative to University Committee for Selecting New Digital Platform (2020)

Faculty Advisor to Outlaw Student Organization (Since 2010)

Faculty Advisor to Jewish Student Organization (Since 2011)

Served on Various Faculty Committees, including Faculty Development (Chair 2013-2014, 2016-2017), Appointments, Curriculum, Academic Standing, Library & Technology, and Strategic Planning)

Professional Activities and Associations

GenderSci Lab, Harvard University, Board of Advisors (Since Spring 2021)

Outside Examiner in Dissertation Defense of JSD Candidate, U. of Toronto School of Law (Dec. 2020)

National Family Law Teachers and Scholars (FLTS), conference organizer (2013-2014)

Member, New York City Bar LGBT Rights Committee (2012-2015).

Member, New York City Bar Association (2011-2015).

Member, New York State Bar Association (2005-present).

Admitted to practice in the State of New York (2005).

Admitted to practice in the State of Israel (2000).

