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## EDUCATION

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### COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, J.D., May 2011

Journal: Case Law Editor, *Columbia Journal of European Law*  
Activities: Rapporteur, Columbia University Seminar on Modern Europe  
Black Law Students Association, Elections/Constitution Chair

### HARVARD UNIVERSITY, A.B. in Government and Foreign Language Citation in French, June 2008

Awards: Real Colegio Complutense Senior Thesis Research Grant  
Dean's Summer Research Award  
Harvard College Research Program Grant for research in Europe  
Harvard University Office of International Programs Scholarship for  
Harvard Summer Study Abroad Program in Olympia, Greece

Senior Honors Thesis: *The Mavericks of Western Europe: A Study of the Absence of a Successful, Spanish Extreme Right*

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### WILLIAM & MARY LAW SCHOOL, Williamsburg, Virginia

*Professor of Law*

*Associate Professor of Law*

*Assistant Professor of Law*

Courses: Health Law and Policy, Bioethics, Property

May 2019 - Present

2023 - Present

2020 - 2023

2019-2020

### HOWARD UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, Washington, D.C.

*Assistant Professor*

Courses: Health Law, Family Law, Bioethics and the Law, Legislation and Regulation

2017- 2019

### IIT CHICAGO-KENT COLLEGE OF LAW, Chicago, Illinois

*Visiting Assistant Professor*

Courses: Legal Research & Writing I and II, Family Law

2015 - 2017

## HONORS & AWARDS

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American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics/Saint Louis University Health Law Scholar, 2018

Howard University Summer Faculty Research Fellowship, 2018 (university-wide competition)

## PUBLICATIONS & WORKS IN PROGRESS

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**SUBTERRANEAN REGULATION: SCIENCE, POLITICS, AND REPRODUCTIVE GENETIC INNOVATION** (under contract, New York University Press) (forthcoming 2026)

***Reproductive Innovation and Reproductive Exceptionalism: How Private Health Insurance Coverage of Fertility Treatment Complements Hostile Governmental Action and Expands Access to Assisted Reproduction in the United States***, in *HEALTH LAW AS PRIVATE LAW: PATHOLOGY OR PATHWAY?* (eds. I. Glenn Cohen, Wendy Netter Epstein, Christopher Robertson & Carmel Shachar)(Cambridge University Press)(forthcoming 2024)

***Normalizing Reproductive Genetic Innovation***, 74 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW REVIEW 481 (2022)

***Segmented Innovation in the Legalization of Mitochondrial Transfer: Lessons from Australia and the United Kingdom***, 22 HOUSTON JOURNAL OF HEALTH LAW & POLICY 317 (2022)

***How Analogizing Socio-Legal Responses to Organ Transplantation Can Further the Legalization of Reproductive Genetic Innovation***, 74 SMU LAW REVIEW 665 (2021)

***Is Germline Gene Editing Exceptional?***, 51 SETON HALL LAW REVIEW 735 (2021)

***Innovating Federalism in the Life Sciences***, 92 TEMPLE LAW REVIEW 383 (2020)

***Commentary on Whole Woman's Health v. Hellerstedt***, in FEMINIST JUDGMENTS: REWRITTEN REPRODUCTIVE JUSTICE, ed. Kimberly Mutcherson (Cambridge University Press 2020)

***The American Democratic Deficit in Assisted Reproductive Technology Innovation***, 45 AMERICAN JOURNAL OF LAW AND MEDICINE 130 (2019)

***Halted Innovation: The Expansion of Federal Jurisdiction over Medicine and the Human Body***, 2018 UTAH LAW REVIEW 1073 (2018)

***How Subterranean Regulation Hinders Innovation in Assisted Reproductive Technology***, 39 CARDOZO LAW REVIEW 1239 (2018)

***Criminalizing Substance Abuse and Undermining Roe v. Wade: The Tension Between Abortion Doctrine and the Criminalization of Prenatal Substance Abuse***, 23 WILLIAM & MARY JOURNAL OF WOMEN & THE LAW 185 (2017)

***Biology, Genetics, Nurture, and the Law: The Expansion of the Legal Definition of Family to Include Three or More Legal Parents***, 16 NEVADA LAW JOURNAL 743 (2016)

***Making Sex the Same: Ending the Unfair Treatment of Males in Family Law***, 27 WISCONSIN JOURNAL OF LAW, GENDER & SOCIETY 257 (2012)

***Sex and Statutory Uniformity: Harmonizing the Legal Treatment of Semen***, 7 CHARLESTON LAW REVIEW 235 (2012-3)

## ONLINE WORKS

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***The Enduring Goals of the Eugenics Movement: The Connection Between Environmental Harm, Disability, and State-Reduction of Reproductive Rights***, JOTWELL, February 20, 2023 (reviewing Khiara M. Bridges, *The Dysgenic State: Environmental Injustice and Disability-Selective Abortion Bans*, 110 CAL. L. REV. 297 (2022)), <https://health.jotwell.com/the-enduring-goals-of-the-eugenics-movement-the-connection-between-environmental-harm-disability-and-state-reduction-of-reproductive-rights/>

***Mainstreaming Reproductive Genetic Innovation***, BILL OF HEALTH, December 14, 2022, <https://blog.petrieflom.law.harvard.edu/2022/12/14/mainstreaming-reproductive-genetic-innovation/>

***Fostering States as Laboratories***, THE HILL, October 1, 2020, <https://thehill.com/opinion/healthcare/519191-we-should-promote-the-use-of-states-as-laboratories/>

## SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

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- Panelist, “*Tyler v. Hennepin County*: The Inside Story of the Major Shift in the Supreme Court’s Approach to Property,” American Law Institute Continuing Legal Education Eminent Domain and Land Valuation Litigation Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, February 1, 2024 (scheduled)
- Presenter, “Ethical, Legislative, and Political Responses to Assisted Reproductive Technology and Reproductive Genetic Innovation,” University of Toronto Health Law, Policy, and Ethics Seminar, Toronto, Canada, November 14, 2023 (scheduled)
- Presenter, “Ethical, Legislative, and Political Responses to Assisted Reproductive Technology and Reproductive Genetic Innovation,” Penn Bioethics Seminar Series, October 24, 2023
- Presenter, “Reproductive Innovation and Reproductive Exceptionalism: How Private Health Insurance Coverage of Fertility Treatment Complements Hostile Governmental Action and Expands Access to Assisted Reproduction in the United States,” 2023 Petrie-Flom Center Annual Conference, Cambridge, Massachusetts, June 23, 2023
- Commentator, Seventh Annual Regional Health Law Works-in-Progress Retreat at Seton Hall Law School, Newark, New Jersey, January 13, 2023
- Commentator, Association of American Law Schools (AALS) Section on Law, Medicine and Health Care’s New Voices Works-in-Progress Workshop, San Diego, California, January 4, 2023
- Presenter, “Religion, Embryos, Abortion, and the Meaning of Life: The Federal Politics of ‘Traditional’ Assisted Reproductive Technology in the United States and its Influence on Regulation,” Thirteenth Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium, Chicago, Illinois, November 4-5, 2022
- Presenter, “Subterranean Regulation: Science, Politics, and Reproductive Genetic Innovation,” Health Law Policy, Bioethics, and Biotechnology Workshop at Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, October 19, 2022
- Presenter, “Religion, Embryos, Abortion, and the Meaning of Life: The Federal Politics of ‘Traditional’ Assisted Reproductive Technology in the United States and its Influence on Regulation,” Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, Lisbon, Portugal, July 13-16, 2022
- Chair and Discussant, “Pharmaceuticals: Cost and Access,” Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, Lisbon, Portugal, July 13-16, 2022
- Presenter, “Religion, Embryos, Abortion, and the Meaning of Life: The Federal Politics of ‘Traditional’ Assisted Reproductive Technology in the United States and its Influence on Regulation,” Lutie A. Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Workshop, June 23-26, 2022, Boston, Massachusetts
- Presenter, “Religion, Embryos, Abortion, and the Meaning of Life: The Federal Politics of ‘Traditional’ Assisted Reproductive Technology in the United States and its Influence on Regulation,” Family Law Scholars and Teachers Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, June 22-23, 2022
- Presenter, “Religion, Embryos, Abortion, and the Meaning of Life: The Federal Politics of ‘Traditional’ Assisted Reproductive Technology in the United States and its Influence on Regulation,” 45th Annual Health Law Professors Conference, Phoenix, Arizona, June 1-3, 2022

- Presenter, “Religion, Embryos, Abortion, and the Meaning of Life: The Federal Politics of ‘Traditional’ Assisted Reproductive Technology in the United States and its Influence on Regulation,” Biolawlapalooza 4.2, Stanford, California, May 12-15, 2022
- Panelist, “Black Mistrust of the U.S. Health Care System & What We Can Do to Combat It,” William & Mary Black Law Students’ Association and Health Law & Policy Society Symposium, “Medical Mistreatment: Tackling Historical & Contemporary Inequities in Health Care,” March 25, 2022
- Presenter, “Religion, Embryos, Abortion, and the Meaning of Life: The Federal Politics of ‘Traditional’ Assisted Reproductive Technology in the United States and its Influence on Regulation,” Baby Markets Roundtable, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, March 18-19, 2022
- Presenter, “Normalizing Reproductive Genetic Innovation,” Sixth Annual Regional Health Law Works-in-Progress Retreat at Seton Hall Law School, February 4, 2022
- Presenter, “Segmented Innovation in the Legalization of Mitochondrial Transfer: Lessons from the U.S.’ Common Law Neighbors in Australia and the United Kingdom,” *Houston Journal of Health Law & Policy* Symposium, October 22, 2021
- Presenter, “Normalizing Reproductive Genetic Innovation,” Sixth Annual Administrative Law New Scholarship Roundtable, September 17, 2021
- Presenter, “Normalizing Reproductive Genetic Innovation,” Wiet Life Science Law Scholars Conference, September 10, 2021
- Presenter, “Normalizing Reproductive Genetic Modification,” Lutie A. Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Workshop, June 25, 2021
- Presenter, “How Analogizing Socio-Legal Responses to Organ Transplantation Can Further the Legalization of Reproductive Genetic Innovation,” Family Law Scholars and Teachers Conference, June 21, 2021
- Presenter, “Normalizing Reproductive Genetic Modification,” 44th Annual Health Law Professors Conference, June 11, 2021
- Presenter, “Normalizing Reproductive Genetic Modification,” Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, May 28, 2021
- Presenter, “Normalizing Reproductive Genetic Modification,” 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Regulation and Innovation in the Biosciences Conference, May 23-27, 2021
- Panelist, “The Future of *Roe v. Wade* co-sponsored with If/When/How,” William & Mary Law Health Law & Policy Society Symposium, April 10, 2021
- Panelist, “Health Care, the Affordable Care Act, and Reproductive Rights,” *Washington & Lee Law Review* Symposium, “Equal Justice: A Celebration of Judge Roger Gregory,” March 19, 2021
- Discussant, “Embryonic Injuries and Nascent Remedies in the Age of Crispr-Cas and Advanced IVF,” Chicago-Kent Law Review Symposium, November 19, 2020

- “Moral Panic, Mitochondria, and Genes: Changing the Discourse on Techniques Involving Genetic Modification,” Maine Law Colloquium, October 6, 2020
- “Moral Panic, Mitochondria, and Genes: Changing the Discourse on Techniques Involving Genetic Modification,” Third Annual Chicagoland Junior Scholars Conference, October 2, 2020
- “Moral Panic, Mitochondria, and Genes: Changing the Discourse on Techniques Involving Genetic Modification,” Wiet Life Science Law Scholars Conference, September 18, 2020
- “Moral Panic, Mitochondria, and Genes: Changing the Discourse on Techniques Involving Genetic Modification,” Virtual Health Law Workshop, August 14, 2020
- “Moral Panic, Mitochondria, and Genes: Changing the Discourse on Techniques Involving Genetic Modification,” Lutie A. Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Workshop, July 2, 2020
- Panelist, “Meeting the Needs of All Students Online,” AALS Faculty Focus, June 16, 2020
- “Is Germline Gene Editing Exceptional?,” Fourth Annual Regional Health Law Works-in-Progress Retreat at Seton Hall Law School, Newark, New Jersey, February 7, 2020
- “Is Germline Gene Editing Exceptional?,” University of Richmond School of Law, Richmond, Virginia, January 31, 2020
- “The Coming Age of Gene Editing: Medical Promise, Regulation, and the Revival of Decades of Debate,” Nova Southeastern Law Review Symposium, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, October 11, 2019
- “The Coming Age of Gene Editing: Medical Promise, Regulation, and the Revival of Decades of Debate,” Third Annual Junior Faculty Forum on Law and STEM, Stanford, California, September 27-28, 2019
- “The Coming Age of Gene Editing: Medical Promise, Regulation, and the Revival of Decades of Debate,” Lutie A. Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Workshop, University Park, Pennsylvania, June 20-23, 2019
- “The Coming Age of Gene Editing: Medical Promise, Regulation, and the Revival of Decades of Debate,” American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics’ 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Health Law Professors Conference, Chicago, Illinois, June 6, 2019
- “The Coming Age of Gene Editing: Medical Promise, Regulation, and the Revival of Decades of Debate,” Baby Markets Roundtable, Washington, D.C., June 2-3, 2019
- “The Coming Age of Gene Editing: Medical Promise, Regulation, and the Revival of Decades of Debate,” Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., May 31, 2019
- “The Coming Age of Gene Editing: Medical Promise, Regulation, and the Revival of Decades of Debate,” Seventh Annual Conference on Governance of Emerging Technologies & Science, Phoenix, Arizona, May 23-25, 2019
- “The Coming Age of Gene Editing: Medical Promise, Regulation, and the Revival of Decades of Debate,” Junior Faculty Forum at the University of Richmond, Richmond, Virginia, May 21-22, 2019
- “Innovating Federalism in the Life Sciences,” Promises and Perils of Emerging Health Innovations, Boston, Massachusetts, April 12, 2019

- “The Coming Age of Gene Editing: Medical Promise, Regulation, and the Revival of Decades of Debate,” Biolawpalooza 3.0, Stanford, California, March 30, 2019
- “Legal Cases Affecting Academic Dentistry,” American Dental Education Association Annual Session & Exhibition, Chicago, Illinois, March 17, 2019
- “Innovating Federalism in the Life Sciences,” University of Kansas School of Law, Lawrence, Kansas, February 6, 2019
- “The American Democratic Deficit in Assisted Reproductive Technology Innovation,” *American Journal of Law and Medicine* Symposium, Boston, Massachusetts, January 25, 2019
- “Improving Life Sciences Regulation: Solutions to the Current Impasse,” Wake Forest University School of Law, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, November 1, 2018
- “Improving Life Sciences Regulation: Solutions to the Current Impasse,” FDA: Past, Present, and Future, Washington, D.C., October 19, 2018
- “Improving Life Sciences Regulation: Solutions to the Current Impasse,” Marquette University Law School’s Sixth Annual Junior Faculty Scholars Works-in-Progress Conference, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, October 4-6, 2018
- “Improving Life Sciences Regulation: Solutions to the Current Impasse,” 2018 Health Law Scholars Workshop, St. Louis, Missouri, September 27-29, 2018
- “Improving Life Sciences Regulation: Solutions to the Current Impasse,” Wiet Life Science Law Scholars Conference, Chicago, Illinois, September 7, 2018
- “Improving Life Sciences Regulation: Solutions to the Current Impasse,” Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Conference, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, August 8, 2018
- “Improving Life Sciences Regulation: Solutions to the Current Impasse,” Lutie A. Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Workshop, Dallas, Texas, July 14, 2018
- “Improving Life Sciences Regulation: Solutions to the Current Impasse,” American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics’ 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Health Law Professors Conference, Cleveland, Ohio, June 9, 2018
- “Improving Life Sciences Regulation: Solutions to the Current Impasse,” Mid-Atlantic Junior Faculty Forum at the University of Richmond, Richmond, Virginia, May 16, 2018
- “Halted Innovation: The Expansion of Federal Jurisdiction over Medicine and the Human Body,” Howard University School of Law Faculty Colloquium, Washington, D.C., April 10, 2018
- “Halted Innovation: The Expansion of Federal Jurisdiction over the Human Body and Medical Practice,” Second Annual Regional Health Law Works-in-Progress Retreat at Seton Hall Law School, Newark, New Jersey, February 9, 2018
- “Halted Innovation: The Expansion of Federal Jurisdiction over the Human Body and Medical Practice,” AALS Annual Meeting, AALS Section on Law, Medicine, & Health Care Works-in-Progress, San Diego, California, January 4, 2018

- “Medicine Instead of Enhancement: Changing the Discourse on Techniques Involving Genetic Modification,” Legal Perspectives on Synthetic Biology and Gene Editing, University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark, November 20, 2017
- “Halted Innovation: The Expansion of Federal Jurisdiction over the Human Body and Medical Practice,” Eighth Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium, Chicago, Illinois, November 3, 2017
- “Halted Innovation: The Expansion of Federal Jurisdiction over the Human Body and Medical Practice,” Wiet Life Science Law Scholars Conference, Chicago, Illinois, October 13, 2017
- “Halted Experimentation: The Expansion of Federal Jurisdiction over the Human Body and Medical Practice,” Lutie A. Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Workshop, Ann Arbor, Michigan, July 8, 2017
- “How Subterranean Regulation Hinders Innovation in Assisted Reproductive Technology,” IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law Faculty Workshop, Chicago, Illinois, September 7, 2016
- “Does the U.S. Food and Drug Administration Have Jurisdiction Over New Forms of *In Vitro* Fertilization?: The Legal Impacts of the FDA’s Unexpected Assertion of Jurisdiction Over New Forms of Assisted Reproductive Technology,” Tenth Annual Lutie A. Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Workshop, Iowa City, Iowa, July 9, 2016.
- “Targeting, Searching, Seizing, & Prosecuting Pregnant Drug Addicts: An Analysis of the Constitutionality of Laws Criminalizing Prenatal Substance Abuse,” Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, June 4, 2016.
- “Civil Commitment, Prosecution, and Pregnancy: The Consequences of State Actions that Target the Behavior of Pregnant Women,” Northern Illinois University Law School Chapter of the American Constitution Society, DeKalb, Illinois, April 12, 2016.
- “Fostering and Hindering Innovation: A Comparison of the Institutional Structures that Regulate ‘Three-Parent’ *In Vitro* Fertilization,” American Society of Comparative Law’s Younger Comparativists Global Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, March 19, 2016.
- “The New Nuclear Family: The Expansion of the Legal Definition of Family to Include Three or More Legal Parents,” 2013 Lavender Law Conference and Career Fair Junior Scholars Forum, San Francisco, California, August 23, 2013.
- “Making Sex the Same: Ending the Unfair Treatment of Males in Family Law,” *Wisconsin Journal of Law, Gender, & Society* Symposium “When Gender Norms Become Law: Recognizing and Correcting for Gender Bias,” Madison, Wisconsin, February 10, 2012.
- “Unpredictable Risks: Considering the Environmental Impacts of Terrorism in Nuclear Energy Licensing,” Seminar on Environmental Conflict at the University of the Basque Country, San Sebastián, Spain, July 1-3, 2009 (Language: Spanish).

## PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

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**UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**, Rockville, Maryland August 2011 – August 2015  
**Attorney, New Reactors Division**

Provided legal advice to agency technical and legal staff on federal rulemakings, guidance documents, and statutes. Drafted and filed pleadings before administrative law judges. Aided expert witnesses in preparing affidavits in support of Staff pleadings. Reviewed Staff analyses of new nuclear power reactor licenses and designs.

Awards: Special Act Award, Group Time-Off Award, Performance Award (3).

**UNITED STATES ATTORNEY’S OFFICE**, Washington, D.C. July 2014 - February 2015  
**Special Assistant United States Attorney, Sex Offense and Domestic Violence Section**

7-month detail to the Superior Court Division. Prosecuted misdemeanors in the Domestic Violence Unit of the Sex Offense and Domestic Violence Section. Drafted and filed motions and responses to motions. Appeared in court for status hearings, detention hearings, arraignments, sentencings, and trials. Gathered evidence, interviewed law enforcement and civilian witnesses, and provided discovery to defense counsel.

**CALIFORNIA ATTORNEY GENERAL—ANTITRUST DIVISION**, San Francisco, California Summer 2010  
**Law Clerk**

Scrutinized potential anti-competitive impacts of mergers on California markets. Investigated and examined claims of Resale Price Maintenance in collaboration with other California Attorney General’s offices. Prepared memoranda on the treatment of antitrust law violations under federal and California law.

**EMI MUSIC**, New York, New York

**Legal Affairs Intern**

January - May 2010

Drafted settlement licensing agreements and trademark reports. Generated reports on potential copyright infringement litigation. Gathered information from record label and merchandising executives relating to foreign copyright infringements. Filed Digital Millennium Copyright Act infringement notices.

**INTERNATIONAL COURT OF ENVIRONMENTAL ARBITRATION & CONCILIATION**, San Sebastián, Spain

**Researcher**

Summer 2009

Wrote and presented (in Spanish) article analyzing federal statutes and nuclear power at university conference. Researched and tracked Latin American border disputes.

## SELECTED SERVICE AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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**Bar**: Admitted to New York Bar (2012).

**Languages**: Advanced Proficiency in French and Spanish; Beginning Proficiency in Russian.

**External Service**: Contributing Editor, JOTWELL (Journal of Things We Like (Lots)) Health Law Section (2022-Present); Co-Organizer, Virtual Health Law Workshop (2021-Present); Regulation of Innovation in the Biosciences (RIBS) Conference Steering Committee (2021-Present); AALS Committee on Arc of Career Programs (2021-Present); Executive Board of the AALS Section on Law, Medicine, and Health Care (2020-2022).

**University Service**:

**William & Mary**: AALS Representative (2023); Faculty Advisor, Health Law & Policy Society (2022-Present); Appointments Advisory Subcommittee for the Joseph T. Waldo Chair in Property Rights Law (2021-2022); Faculty Co-Advisor, Health Law & Policy Society (2021-2022); Faculty Secretary (2021-2022); Faculty Enrichment Committee (2019-2023).

**Howard**: Student Affairs Committee (2018-2019); AALS Representative (2018); Faculty Scholarship Development Committee (2017-2019); *Howard Law Journal* Committee (2017-2018).