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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Georgia School of Law, Associate Professor, 2025–present

Assistant Professor, 2020–25

Lilly Teaching Fellow, 2022–24

Affiliate Faculty, Institute for Cybersecurity & Privacy, 2021–present

Affiliate Faculty, Institute for Women's Studies, 2020–present

Courtesy Appointment, Grady College of Journalism & Mass Communication, 2020–present

European University Institute, Visiting Fellow, 2025

Inspere São Paulo, Visiting Scholar, 2020

New York Law School, Adjunct Professor, 2018

EDUCATION

Yale Law School, Ph.D. in Law, 2020

Dissertation: *Free Speech and Privacy in the Digital Age* (co-chairs: Jack Balkin & Robert Post)

Andrew W. Mellon Fellow; Information Society Project Fellow; MacMillan Dissertation Research Fellow

University of Michigan Law School, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2015

Henry M. Bates Award (highest graduation honor); Order of the Coif; Bates Fellow; K&E Diversity Scholar
Mich. L. Rev. – Exec. Editor; Campbell Moot Court – Exec. Board; Student Research Roundtable – President

Emory University, Bobby Jones Scholar in Political Science, History & Sociology, 2010–11

University of St Andrews, Scotland, M.A. (B.A. equivalent) in International Relations, Honors, 2010

GRANTS

National Science Foundation – \$750,000 (2021–25)

Co-PI with faculty from UGA School of Computing and Augusta University School of Computer & Cyber Sciences: *A Socio-Technical Framework for Handling Digital Evidence with Security and Privacy Assurances*

Presidential Interdisciplinary Seed Grant – \$147,688 (2024–25)

Co-PI with faculty from UGA Schools of Computing, Government, Journalism, and International Affairs: *Socio-Technical Solutions for Countering AI-Generated Deep Fakes*

Sarah Moss Fellowship & Rusk Scholar-in-Residence Award – \$13,500 (2025)

Multiple awards to fund a research residency at the European University Institute in Florence, Italy

Provost's Affordable Course Materials Grants – \$15,000 (2021–23)

Multiple awards to create affordable and open-access books: *Dilemmas in Digital Abuse* (2023), *Cybercrime Scenarios* (2022), and *Tort Law: Cases & Critique* (2021)

BOOKS

Georgia Tort Law (forthcoming 2025)

Tort Law: Cases & Critique (4th ed. 2025)

Dilemmas in Digital Abuse (1st ed. 2024)

Cybercrime Scenarios (1st ed. 2024) (with Samuel Won)

ARTICLES & ESSAYS

Brokering Safety, 114 CALIF. L. REV. (forthcoming 2026) (with Chinmayi Sharma & Sam Adler)
Selected through blind peer-review for the 2025 Consumer Law Scholars Conference and the 2025 Privacy Law Scholars Conference

Safe Sex in the Age of Big Tech Feminism, 39.1 HARV. J. L. TECH. (forthcoming 2026) (with Brenda Dvoskin)
Selected through blind peer-review for the 2024 Privacy Law Scholars Conference

Deepfake Torts, 18 J. TORT L. (forthcoming 2025) (with Sonja West)
Selected through peer-review for the 2025 *Journal of Tort Law* symposium on Tort Law and Deepfakes

Brokered Abuse, 3 J. FREE SPEECH L. 137 (2023)
Republished in *MEDIA & SOCIETY AFTER TECHNOLOGICAL DISRUPTION* (Cambridge University Press, 2024)
Selected through blind peer-review for the 2022 Privacy Law Scholars Conference

Juridical Discourse for Platforms, 136 HARV. L. REV. F. 163 (2022)
Reviewed in Newton Minow & Martha Minow, *Social Media Companies Should Pursue Serious Self-Supervision — Soon: Response to Professors Douek and Kadri*, 136 HARV. L. REV. F. 428 (2023), and selected through blind peer-review for the 2022 Media Law and Policy Scholars Conference

Platforms as Blackacres, 68 UCLA L. REV. 1184 (2022)

Digital Gatekeepers, 99 TEXAS L. REV. 951 (2021)
Reviewed in Anupam Chander, *Storming Zuckerberg's Castle*, 100 TEXAS L. REV. ONLINE 67 (2021)

Networks of Empathy, 2020 UTAH L. REV. 1075 (2020)

Facebook v. Sullivan: Public Figures and Newsworthiness in Online Speech, 93 S. CAL. L. REV. 37 (2019) (with Kate Klonick)

Drawing Trump Naked: Curbing the Right of Publicity to Protect Public Discourse, 78 MD. L. REV. 899 (2019)

Fumbling the First Amendment, 112 MICH. L. REV. 1519 (2014)

The Tools of Political Dissent, 112 MICH. L. REV. F.I. 124 (2014)

SHORTER WORKS

Retrospective Analysis of Legal Documents Using Hybrid AI: A Preliminary Empirical Study of Historical Search Warrant Processing (under review) (with Rahman et al.)

Evaluating and Extending Techniques for Fine-Grained Text-Topic Prediction for Digital Forensic Data, in DIGITAL FORENSICS AND CYBER CRIME (2025) (with Al Farabir et al.)

Cy Près Settlements in Privacy Class Actions, in CLASS ACTIONS IN PRIVACY LAW (2020) (with Ignacio Cofone)
Republished as *Acuerdos Cy Près en Acciones de Clase sobre Privacidad*, 2 REV. JURÍDICA AUSTRAL 33 (2021)

The Legal Implications of Synthetic and Manipulated Media, CARNEGIE ENDOWMENT (2019)

How Supreme a Court?, SLATE (2018)

How to Make Facebook's 'Supreme Court' Work, N.Y. TIMES (2018)

Speech v. Speakers, SLATE (2018)

MEDIA FEATURES

Mentions in *ABA Journal*, *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, *Axios*, *BBC News*, *Bloomberg*, *New York Times*, *Reuters*, *Telegraph*, and *Washington Post*

Appearances on BBC World Service, Ipse Dixit, and NPR

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Georgia School of Law

Torts (F20, F21, F22, F23, S25, F25); Criminal Law (S26); Cybercrime (S21, S22); Digital Abuse (S21, S22)

New York Law School

Cybercrime (S18) (co-taught with Mary Anne Franks)

Yale Law School

Current Issues in Internet Law (S18)

University of Michigan Law School

Transnational Law (S15) (co-created and administered with Mathias Reimann)

Additional guest lectures at Yale Law School, University of Michigan Law School, University of Oxford, Fundação Getulio Vargas Law School São Paulo, and Seton Hall Law School

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

Brokering Safety

UCLA School of Law, Privacy Law Scholars Conference, June 2025
Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, April 2025
Boston University School of Law, Consumer Law Scholars Conference, March 2025
Southeastern Junior/Senior Legal Scholars Conference, December 2022
University of North Carolina School of Law Faculty Workshop, November 2022

Safe Sex in the Age of Big Tech Feminism

University of Georgia, Crime/Criminal Justice Faculty Interest Group, April 2025
University of Georgia, Fontaine AOD and Mental Health Summit, April 2025
University of Georgia, Faculty Workshop, February 2025
Georgetown Law, Privacy Law Scholars Conference, June 2024
Harvard Law School, Berkman Klein Center, Sex Tech Working Group, April 2024
Washington University School of Law, Advanced Privacy Law & Theory Seminar, March 2024
Yale Law School, Information Society Project Ideas Lunch, February 2024
Cardozo School of Law IP & Information Law (IPIL) Colloquium, February 2024
University of Alabama School of Law Faculty Workshop, January 2024
AALS Annual Conference, Internet & Computer Law Section Works-in-Progress Session, January 2024
Fordham University School of Law, Internet Law and Policy Seminar, October 2023
Goethe University, Critical Computational Studies and Law, September 2023

Brokered Abuse

Journal of Free Speech Law Symposium on Media and Society After Technological Disruption, May 2023
University of Georgia Institute for Women's Studies, September 2022
Junior Law & Tech Scholars Workshop, August 2022
Northeastern University, Privacy Law Scholars Conference, June 2022
UCLA School of Law, Institute for Technology Law & Policy, April 2022

Juridical Discourse for Platforms

Media Law and Policy Scholars Conference, January 2022
Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, April 2021
Wake Forest University School of Law Faculty Workshop, April 2021
University of Arkansas School of Law Faculty Workshop, April 2021
Saint Louis University School of Law, Misinformation/Disinformation & the Law Symposium, January 2021
Junior Law & Tech Scholars Workshop, December 2020
University of Oxford, Department of Politics and International Relations, May 2019
University of Oxford, Blavatnik School of Government, May 2019
Stanford Law School, Constitutional Law Center, May 2019

Platforms as Blackacres

Knight First Amendment Institute at Columbia University, May 2022
Emory University School of Law, Regulating Emerging Technologies, February 2022
Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, October 2020
University of Georgia First Amendment Clinic, October 2020
New York Law School, Internet Law Works-in-Progress, March 2020
University of Georgia School of Law, October 2019

Digital Gatekeepers

Yale Law School, Big Tech & Antitrust Conference, October 2020
University of Melbourne, Competition Law in the Digital Economy, August 2020
University of Georgia School of Law, April 2020
Yale Law School, The Information Society Seminar, April 2020
Insper São Paulo, February 2020
University of Minnesota Law School, December 2019
Stanford University, Hoover Institution, May 2019

Networks of Empathy

University of Georgia, Legal Disparities and Equity Speaker Series, November 2021
Tri-County Technical College, Digital Abuse on Social Media, April 2021
NCBE, Tweets, Posts, and Snaps: Social Media in Character and Fitness Investigations, December 2020
University of Georgia School of Law, Privacy, Security, and Technology Law Society, November 2020
UGA Grady College of Journalism & Mass Communication, Faculty Workshop, October 2020

Digital Abuse and the Power of Tech-Inclusivity

Northeastern University School of Law, J.R.R. Northeast Privacy Scholars Workshop, November 2020
Junior Law & Tech Scholars Workshop, August 2020
Emory-UGA Faculty Workshop, July 2020

Cy Près Settlements in Privacy Class Actions

McGill University, Privacy Revolution Conference, March 2019

Drawing Trump Naked: Curbing the Right of Publicity to Protect Public Discourse

University of Houston Law Center, Works-in-Progress Intellectual Property Colloquium, February 2019
University of Maryland Carey School of Law, Maryland Law Review Symposium, February 2019
NYU Law School, NYU Tri-State Region IP Workshop, January 2019
Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, April 2018

OTHER PRESENTATIONS & WORKSHOPS

Participant, Unpacking Relational Approaches to AI Accountability

Boston University School of Law, June 2025

Expert Witness, Testimony in Support of the Massachusetts Data Privacy Act and Location Shield Act

Massachusetts Legislature, Joint Committee on Advanced Information Technology, April 2025

Participant, Designing Safe(r) Digital Intimacy Workshop

Harvard Law School, Berkman Klein Center, June 2024

Presenter, Learning Beyond the 1L Classroom

University of Georgia Center for Teaching & Learning, Teaching Celebration & Luncheon, April 2024

Participant, Toolbox Dialogue Initiative Workshop

Michigan State University, April 2024

Speaker, Stalking and Internet-Connected Cars

Project Safe Board Meeting, March 2024

Opening Remarks, Edenfield Jurist in Residence Lecture by Judge M. Margaret McKeown

University of Georgia School of Law, March 2024

Panelist, Extended Realities: Intersections of Art, Augmented Reality, Law, and Ethics

Georgia Museum of Art, October 2023

Expert Witness, Testimony in Support of the Location Shield Act

Massachusetts Legislature, Joint Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, June 2023

Discussant, *Content Moderation on End-to-End Encrypted Systems* by Charles Duan & James Grimmelmann

Colorado Law School, Privacy Law Scholars Conference, June 2023

Discussant, *Gaining or Losing Control? Real Use of Privacy Rights and Policy Implications* by Ella Corren

Berkeley School of Law, Consumer Law Scholars Conference, March 2023

Participant, UGA Teaching Academy Academic Affairs Faculty Symposium

University of Georgia, March 2023

Moderator, Cyber Regulation

University of Georgia School of Law, *Georgia Law Review* Annual Symposium, March 2023

Participant, Interdisciplinary Working Group on Interoperability

Stanford Law School, January 2023

Moderator, Prosser Award Ceremony

AALS Annual Conference, Section on Torts and Compensation Systems, January 2023

Panelist, Digitalization and the Courts

Bar-Ilan University, Smart Regulatory Systems in the AI Era, December 2022

Participant, Creating a Sustainable Writing Practice

University of Georgia, August–December 2022

Panelist, Algorithmic Justice: Between Process and Impacts

Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Conference, July 2022

Expert Witness, Strengthening Our Communications Networks: Legislation to Connect and Protect

U.S. House of Representatives, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, May 2022

Keynote, The Law and Technology of Digital Evidence

Inspira São Paulo, May 2022

Speaker, Abuse in the Metaverse

Inspira São Paulo, May 2022

Discussant, *The Law of Social Roles for the Platform Internet* by Sari Mazzurco

Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, May 2022

Discussant, *Speaking Back to Sexual-Privacy Invasions* by Brenda Dvoskin

Law & Technology Workshop, April 2022

Moderator, The Feminist War on Crime: A Conversation with Professor Aya Gruber

University of Georgia School of Law, Regulating Digital Abuse, April 2022

Moderator, Regulating Digital Abuse: A Conversation with Brittan Heller

University of Georgia Institute for Women's Studies, March 2022

Speaker, Digital Abuse

Project Safe Board Meeting, February 2022

Panelist, Civility in the Legal Profession

UGA Middle Eastern Law Student Association, November 2021

Panelist, A Conversation About OER Authoring and Grant Opportunities

University of Georgia School of Law, Alexander Campbell King Law Library, October 2021

Moderator, Law Dawgs at War

UGA Middle Eastern Law Student Association, September 2021

Discussant, *Pharmaceutical (Re)capture* by Liza Vertinsky

Emory-UGA Faculty Workshop, July 2021

Discussant, *Privacy and/as Civil Rights* by Tiffany Li

Georgetown University Law Center, Privacy Law Scholars Conference, June 2021

Discussant, *Content Moderation as Surveillance* by Hannah Bloch-Wehba

Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, April 2021

Panelist, Middle Easterners in Law

Emory & UGA Middle Eastern Law Student Associations, March 2021

Moderator, *The Case for Racism Response Funds: A Collective Response to Racist Acts* by Monica Bell

University of Georgia School of Law, Sibley Lecture, November 2020

Discussant, *Content Moderation Remedies* by Eric Goldman

Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, October 2020

Discussant, *The Indirect Purchaser Rule and Private Enforcement of Antitrust Law* by Spencer Smith

Yale Law School, Big Tech & Antitrust Conference, October 2020

Moderator, COVID-19 and the Increase in Online Child Exploitation

University of Georgia School of Law, CEASE Clinic Fall Webinar Series, October 2020

Panelist, The Internet's Own Boy

University of Georgia School of Law, Alexander Campbell King Law Library, October 2020

Panelist, All of Us: Candid Conversations about Mental Health

University of Georgia School of Law, Georgia Law Mental Health Alliance, October 2020

Participant, SEC Torts Professors Workshop on Torts and Race

University of Arkansas School of Law, September 2020

Discussant, *Pandemic Disability Discrimination* by Ani B. Satz

Emory-UGA Faculty Workshop, July 2020

Panelist, Ask an Expert – Facebook and Freedom

University of Georgia School of Law, April 2020

Panelist, Disinformation and Elections – What to Fear and What to Do

Inspira São Paulo, February 2020

Participant, Meeting on Synthetic and Manipulated Media

Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, November 2019

Panelist, Symposium on News, Disinformation, and the Responsibility of Social Media Companies

University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law, October 2019

Lecture, Competition Law and Digital Platforms

Fundação Getulio Vargas Law School São Paulo, September 2019

Participant, Facebook Oversight Board: Berlin Workshop

Facebook, June 2019

Participant, Meeting on Synthetic and Manipulated Media

Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, June 2019

Participant, Social Media Governance Initiative Conference

Yale Law School, Justice Collaboratory, May 2019

Panelist, Plenary Panel

Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, April 2019

Discussant, *A Skeptical View of Information Fiduciaries* by Lina Khan & David Pozen

Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, April 2019

Discussant, *Bad Actors* by Sarah Haan

Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, April 2019

Panelist, Constitutionalizing Speech Platforms

Harvard Law School, Berkman Klein Center, April 2019

Panelist, Who's Afraid of Big Tech?

Cato Institute, March 2019

Participant, Data Care Act: Drafting Workshop

Stanford University, Center for Advanced Study in Behavioral Sciences, March 2019

Opening Remarks, Measuring the Chilling Effect

Columbia University, Knight First Amendment Institute, November 2018

Discussant, *Supracompetitive Privacy* by Greg Day & Abbey Stemler

Fordham Law School, Northeast Privacy Scholars Workshop, November 2018

Opening Remarks, Freedom of Expression in an Age of Surveillance

Yale Law School, Information Society Project, September 2018

Participant, Digital Fiduciaries Act: Drafting Workshop

Harvard Law School, Berkman Klein Center, June 2018

Discussant, *The Right of Publicity: Privacy Reimagined for a Public World* by Jennifer Rothman

Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, April 2018

Discussant, *Graffiti, Speech, and Crime* by Jenny Carroll

Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, April 2018

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Clinic to End Tech Abuse at Cornell University, Legislative & Policy Director, 2022–present
Hon. M. Margaret McKeown, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, Law Clerk, 2016–17
Hon. Thomas Griesa, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, Law Clerk, 2015–16
The Focus Forward Project, Facilitator, 2015
Federal Public Defender, Northern District of Ohio, Student-Attorney, 2015
Keker & Van Nest LLP, Summer Associate, 2014
Hon. William Alsup, United States District Court for the Northern District of California, Extern, 2013
The Carter Center, Volunteer, 2011
Alexi for Illinois: U.S. Senate Campaign, Emerging Leaders Fellow, 2010

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Bar Member, California and the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
Board of Directors, Project Safe, 2022–present
Chair, Diversity of Faculty Strategic Planning Committee, University of Georgia School of Law, 2022–present
Speakers Committee, University of Georgia School of Law, 2020–21, 2024–present
Faculty Liaison, International Association of Privacy Professionals Westin Scholar Award, 2021–present
Affiliated Researcher & Volunteer, Clinic to End Tech Abuse at Cornell University, 2020–present
Executive Committee & Chair, AALS Section on Torts and Compensation Systems, 2020–present
Faculty Advisor, UGA Middle Eastern Law Student Association, 2020–present
Faculty Advisor, UGA Privacy, Security, and Technology Law Society, 2020–present
Participant, The Expert Circle, 2020–present
This group of external researchers advise Meta on online abuse. Participants receive \$6,000 honoraria to attend roundtable discussions subject to nondisclosure agreements covering confidential information. I donated the first to charity and accepted subsequent honoraria after concluding it was appropriate for a for-profit company to compensate us for our labor, time, and expertise. The honoraria are not associated with academic research.
Lilly Teaching Fellows Program, University of Georgia, 2022–24
Hiring Committee, University of Georgia School of Law, 2021–24
Student Career Success Influencer Award by the UGA Career Center, 2024
Faculty/Peer Reviewer: *Stanford L. Rev.* (2023), *Chicago L. Rev.* (2023), Platform Governance Research Network Conference (2023), *Harv. L. Rev.* (2022), Cambridge University Press (2020), *Yale L.J.* (2021–22)
Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Belonging Committee, University of Georgia School of Law, 2021–22
Affiliated Faculty, UGA CyberArch Program, 2020
Presented research and offered comments on proposed legislation to lawmakers in the United States Congress (Senate and House) and state legislatures in Massachusetts, New York, and New Jersey 2018–present