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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Notre Dame Law School

Associate Professor, 2018–present

Courses: Civil Procedure; History of the Common Law; The Rule of Law (seminar)

New York University School of Law

Samuel I. Golieb Fellow in Legal History, 2017–18

EDUCATION

Yale University, Ph.D. (history), 2018; M.Phil., 2014; M.A., 2010

Dissertation: *A Common Law? Legal Pluralism in the Eighteenth-Century British Empire*

Oral examinations passed with distinction

Yale Law School, J.D., 2014

Articles Editor, *Yale Law Journal* and *Yale Journal of International Law*

Legal History Fellow, 2013–14

Princeton University, A.B. (history), with highest honors, 2007

Phi Beta Kappa (early election); Hutton Prize (strongest record in History Department)

PUBLICATIONS

Redefining the Rule of Law: An Eighteenth-Century Case Study, AMERICAN JOURNAL OF COMPARATIVE LAW (forthcoming 2022) (peer-reviewed; manuscript available on request)

Advisory Opinions and the Problem of Legal Authority, 74 VANDERBILT LAW REVIEW (forthcoming 2021), <https://ssrn.com/abstract=3681510>

Arbitrating the England Problem: Litigation, Private Ordering, and the Rise of the Modern Economy, 36 OHIO STATE JOURNAL ON DISPUTE RESOLUTION (forthcoming 2021), <https://ssrn.com/abstract=3561136>

Quebec, Bengal, and the Rise of Authoritarian Legal Pluralism, in ENTANGLING THE QUEBEC ACT: TRANSNATIONAL CONTEXTS, MEANINGS, AND LEGACIES IN NORTH AMERICA AND THE BRITISH EMPIRE 131–64 (François Furstenberg & Ollivier Hubert eds., McGill-Queen's University Press, 2020)

Updated February 8, 2021

Why Didn't the Common Law Follow the Flag?, 105 VIRGINIA LAW REVIEW 483 (2019),
<https://ssrn.com/abstract=3140905>

Merchant Courts, Arbitration, and the Politics of Commercial Litigation in the Eighteenth-Century British Empire, 34 LAW & HISTORY REVIEW 615 (2016),
<https://doi.org/10.1017/S0738248016000183> (peer-reviewed)

The Messy History of the Federal Eminent Domain Power: A Response to William Baude, 4 CALIFORNIA LAW REVIEW CIRCUIT 187 (2013),
<http://scholarship.law.berkeley.edu/clrcircuit/26>

WORKS IN PROGRESS

AN EMPIRE OF LAWS: LEGAL PLURALISM IN THE EIGHTEENTH-CENTURY BRITISH EMPIRE
(under contract with Yale University Press)

A New Report of Entick v. Carrington (1765), <https://ssrn.com/abstract=3529420> (with T.T. Arvind)

SELECTED SHORTER PUBLICATIONS

Exemplary Legal Writing 2018: Five Recommendations, 2019 GREEN BAG ALMANAC & READER 414, <https://heinonline.org/HOL/P?h=hein.journals/joolaw9&i=262> (with Richard W. Garnett)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

The Politics of Legal Transplants in the Eighteenth-Century British Empire

American Society of Comparative Law Annual Meeting, October 2020 (presenter and panel organizer)

Advisory Opinions and the Problem of Legal Authority (and other titles)

Chicagoland Junior Scholars Conference, October 2020 (virtual)

Notre Dame Law School, September 2020

The Transformation of the Common Law, 1688–1800

Virtual conference on “The Dynamic Eighteenth Century,” organized by Steven Pincus (University of Chicago), July 2020 (invited)

Redefining the Rule of Law in the Eighteenth-Century British Empire (and other titles)

AALS Annual Meeting (Section on European Law), January 2020

Federalist Society Annual Faculty Conference, January 2020

University at Buffalo School of Law, December 2019 (invited)

Rocky Mountain Junior Scholars Forum, November 2019 (invited)

Chicagoland Junior Scholars Conference, September 2019

Notre Dame Institute for Advanced Study, March 2019

Washington University School of Law, February 2019 (invited)

Conference on “History and Theory in the Development of Public Law,” Notre Dame
London Law Centre, February 2019

Conference on “Arguing for the Rule of Law: Using the Hebrew Bible and Caricatures of
Foreigners in British and Spanish America,” Symposium on Comparative Early
Modern Legal History, Newberry Library, Chicago, October 2018 (invited)

Despotic Humanitarianism and Colonial Law in the Eighteenth-Century British Empire

American Society for Legal History Annual Meeting, November 2019 (presenter and
panel organizer)

Arbitrating the England Problem (and other titles)

Notre Dame Law School, September 2019

Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, July 2019 (invited)

Institute of Advanced Legal Studies seminar, University of London, January 2017
(invited)

Canadian Law and Economics Association, September 2017

Arbitration as a Substitute for Civil Justice in Bengal and North America, 1763–1775

American Society for Legal History, October 2017 (presenter and panel organizer)

Authoritarian Legal Pluralism

Conference on “Religious Critiques of Law,” Pepperdine University School of Law,
March 2017

SELECTED AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

Winner, Federalist Society Young Legal Scholars Paper Competition, 2020

Fox International Fellowship, Yale University, 2014–15

Research Grant, The History Project at the Joint Center for History and Economics, 2014

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Hon. José A. Cabranes, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

Law Clerk, 2015–16

The Boston Consulting Group, New York, N.Y.

Associate, 2007–09; *Summer Associate*, Summer 2006

SERVICE

Clerkship Committee, Notre Dame Law School (2018–2020)

Admissions Committee, Notre Dame Law School (starting spring 2021)

Manuscript reviewer, *Journal of Law and Courts*

Editor, American Journal of Comparative Law (representative of Notre Dame Law School)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Association of American Law Schools

American Society for Legal History

Selden Society

Bar of the State of New York