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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Notre Dame Law School, Associate Professor of Law, 2023 – present

Courses: Land Use, Property, Historic Preservation Law

Service: Committee on the Spiritual Life of the Law School

EDUCATION

Yale Law School, Juris Doctor, 2021

Co-Founder, Yale Free Exercise Clinic

Editor, *Yale Law Journal*

Editor, *Yale Journal on Regulation*

Coker Teaching Fellow, Professor Daniel Markovits (Contracts)

Quintin Johnstone Prize in Real Property Law (best paper on real property topic)

University of Notre Dame, Master of Divinity, 2013

M.A. Schumacher Award for Academic Excellence (top graduate seminary student)

University of Notre Dame, Bachelor of Arts (Political Science), 2008

Phi Beta Kappa, *summa cum laude*

Salutatorian and Distinguished Undergraduate Student Award

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Primary Interests: Property, Land Use, Real Estate, Local Government Law, Law and Religion

Secondary Interests: Private Law Theory, Federal Indian Law, Higher Education, Trusts and Estates

ARTICLES AND ESSAYS

YIGBY Laws, 15 Brigham-Kanner Prop. Rts. J. ____ (forthcoming 2026) [\[SSRN\]](#)

Churching NIMBYs: Creating Affordable Housing on Church Property, 133 YALE L.J. 1254 (2024) [\[SSRN\]](#) [\[JOTWELL\]](#) [\[Reason\]](#)
(journal rank #1 per *U.S. News* ranking of school where it is the flagship law journal)

Sacred Easements, 110 VA. L. REV. 833 (2024) [\[SSRN\]](#) [\[JOTWELL\]](#) [\[ALI Adviser\]](#) (rank #4)

New Threats to Sacred Sites and Religious Property, OXFORD J.L. & RELIG. (2024) [\[SSRN\]](#) (invited)

Religious Covenants, 74 FLA. L. REV. 821 (2022) (with Nicole Stelle Garnett) [\[SSRN\]](#) (rank #38) (contribution 65%)

Condemning Worship: Religious Liberty Protections and Church Takings, Note, 130 YALE L.J. 226 (2020) [\[SSRN\]](#)
(Note) (rank #1)

SHORTER WORKS

“Religious Covenants on Former Church Property,” *Religion, Property Law, and the Crisis of Houses of Worship*, CANOPY F.
(May 2023) [\[WWW\]](#)

CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS AT NOTRE DAME (INVITED)

Churching NIMBYs

Church Properties Initiative Discussion, Notre Dame Law School (April 11, 2024)
Church Properties Conference, Fitzgerald Institute for Real Estate, University of Notre Dame (October 31, 2023)
Notre Dame Law School Faculty Workshop, University of Notre Dame (September 26, 2023)

Sacred Easements

Notre Dame Law School Faculty Workshop, University of Notre Dame (January 17, 2023)

Religious Covenants

Church Real Estate Seminar, University of Notre Dame (February 22, 2023)
Church Real Estate Seminar, University of Notre Dame (April 13, 2022)
Notre Dame Law School Faculty Workshop, University of Notre Dame (November 23, 2021)
Real Estate Research Roundtable, University of Notre Dame (April 20, 2021)

Additional Invited Presentations

Presenter, “Conserving Sacred Property,” NDLS-UCT Private Law Workshop, Rome Global Gateway, University of Notre Dame (July 17, 2026)
Moderator, “Religious Freedom and Abundance,” Notre Dame Religious Liberty Summit (Chicago), Notre Dame Law School (July 8, 2026)
Moderator, “Judicial Panel,” Notre Dame Religious Liberty Summit (Chicago), Notre Dame Law School (July 6, 2026)
Moderator, “Plenary: Perspectives on an Emerging Policy Movement,” Church Properties Conference, Fitzgerald Institute for Real Estate, University of Notre Dame (March 17, 2026)
Moderator, “Protecting Perpetual Value: Risk Management, Fiduciary Responsibility, and the Dual Mandate of Canon and Civil Law in Real Estate Repurposing,” Church Properties Conference, Fitzgerald Institute for Real Estate, University of Notre Dame (March 17, 2026)
Panelist, “New Threats to Religious Cultural Heritage and Sacred Sites,” Notre Dame Religious Liberty Summit (London), Notre Dame Law School (July 12, 2023)
Commentator, “Church Property & Teacher Housing,” Church Properties Initiative, Fitzgerald Institute for Real Estate, University of Notre Dame (June 8, 2023)

CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS (INVITED)

Churching NIMBYs

Yale Law Journal Symposium on State and Local Governance, Yale Law School (April 26, 2024)
Harvard Religious Freedom Clinic, Harvard Law School (April 19, 2024)

Sacred Easements

Nootbaar Fellows Conference, Pepperdine Caruso School of Law (February 3, 2023)

Religious Covenants

Commercial and Private Law Workshop, Singapore Management University (August 6, 2025)
Colloquium in Law and Religion, Saint John’s School of Law (October 17, 2022)
Yale Advanced Free Exercise Clinic, Yale Law School (February 11, 2022)
“Managing the Assets of the Church,” Global Institute of Church Management (December 9, 2021)
Northwestern Law School Faculty Workshop, Northwestern University (March 15, 2021)
Yale Law Journal Scholarship Workshop, Yale Law School (April 28, 2021)

Additional Invited Presentations

Panelist, “Government Funding and Religion,” Nootbaar Fellows Conference, Pepperdine Caruso School of Law (June 8, 2026)

Presenter, “Conserving Sacred Property,” *Adapting Private Law*, King’s College London Dickson Poon School of Law (June 5, 2026)

Panelist, “Creative Land Use: Apartment Sharing, ADUs, and Building on Church Land,” Housing Supply & Diversity Conference, Center for Economy and Society, Johns Hopkins University (April 3, 2026)

Panelist, “Public Safety, Private Property, & Just Compensation,” Brigham-Kanner Property Rights Conference, William & Mary Law School (October 24, 2025)

Commentator, *The Constitution of Practice: On Law & Tradition* (DeGirolami), Georgetown Center for the Constitution, Georgetown University Law Center (October 3, 2025)

Panelist, “Developments in Religious Liberty Protections for Property and Land Use,” *Emerging Challenges for Religious Liberty*, Center for Law & Religious Freedom, Jagiellonian University (June 4, 2024)

Moderator, “The Future of Religious Exemptions,” Nootbaar Fellows Conference, Pepperdine Caruso School of Law (February 9, 2024)

Presenter, “Religious Covenants on Former Church Property,” *Religion, Property Law, and the Crisis of Houses of Worship*, Center for the Study of Law and Religion, Emory University (May 3, 2023)

Speaker, *Stanford Law School Religious Liberty Clinic’s 10th Anniversary Celebration*, Stanford Law School (March 16, 2023)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Hon. Brett M. Kavanaugh, U.S. Supreme Court (Washington, D.C.)
Law Clerk, 2024–25

Fitzgerald Institute for Real Estate, University of Notre Dame (Notre Dame, IN)
Faculty Co-Director, Church Properties Initiative, 2023 – present

Center for Private Law, Yale Law School (New Haven, CT)
Fellow in Private Law, 2022–23
Visiting Lecturer in Law (Property), Fall 2022

Hon. Thomas M. Hardiman, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (Pittsburgh, PA)
Law Clerk, 2021–22
Judicial Intern, Summer 2019

Becket Law (Washington, D.C.)
Legal Intern, Summer 2020

University of Notre Dame (Notre Dame, IN)
Rector, Marilyn M. Keough Hall, 2013–18
Chaplain, Notre Dame Law School, 2016–18
Chaplain, Notre Dame Vision Program, 2013–18
Chaplain, Notre Dame Boxing Team, 2013–18
Associate Director, Holy Cross Vocations Office, 2015–18
Director, Freshman Retreat Program, 2013–15

University of Portland (Portland, OR)
Regent, Board of Regents (2016–Present)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

North American Workshop on Private Law Theory
Nootbaar Institute on Law, Religion, and Ethics, Pepperdine Caruso School of Law
Church Properties Initiative, Fitzgerald Institute for Real Estate, University of Notre Dame
Program on Church, State & Society, Notre Dame Law School
Saint Catherine Circle, Notre Dame Law School

Executive Committee, Yale Law School Association

Bar Admission: Indiana (2021), Third Circuit (2022), Supreme Court (2025)

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Distinguished Teaching Award, Notre Dame Law School (2026)

Fellow in Private Law, Yale Law School (2022–23)

Coker Fellow, Yale Law School (2020–21)

Law Fellow, Fellowships at Auschwitz for the Study of Professional Ethics (2020–21)

Rev. William A. Toohey, C.S.C. Award for Preaching, University of Notre Dame (2016)

Marten Holy Land Preaching Program, Tantur Ecumenical Institute (2016)

Lou Holtz Leadership Award, University of Notre Dame (2007)

Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program Seng Award, University of Notre Dame (2007)

Institute for Educational Initiatives Research Grant, University of Notre Dame (2007)

Student Leadership Award, University of Notre Dame (2007)

Sorin College Citation of Merit, University of Notre Dame (2007)