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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

### **Duke University School of Law**

Assistant Professor of Law, 2011–present

## EDUCATION

### **Yale Law School**

J.D., 2007

Joseph Parker Prize, for the best paper on legal history or Roman law, 2007

Jewell Prize, for the best 2L contribution to a journal other than the *Yale Law Journal*,  
2006

*Yale Law Journal*, Executive Editor

*Yale Law & Policy Review*, Executive Editor, Articles Editor

### **Merton College, Oxford University**

BA (Hons) (First Class) in Politics, Philosophy, and Economics, 2004

Rhodes Scholar

MA (Oxon) awarded June 2008

### **Harvard University**

A.B. *summa cum laude* in History, 2002

First in the graduating class (Sophia Freund Prize), Phi Beta Kappa

Focus on medieval economic and legal history

Senior honors thesis: “The ‘Law Merchant’ and the Fair Court of St. Ives, 1270-1324”

Thomas T. Hoopes Prize, for outstanding scholarly work, 2002

Philip Washburn Prize, for the best thesis on a historical subject, 2002

History Department Junior Essay Prize, Fall 2000, Spring 2001

*The Harvard Crimson*, Editorial Co-Chair, 2001

## EXPERIENCE

### **Mayer Brown LLP, Washington, D.C.**

Associate, 2008–2009, 2010–2011; Summer associate, Summer 2006

### **Supreme Court of the United States, Washington, D.C.**

Law clerk to Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr., October Term 2009

### **U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, Washington, D.C.**

Law clerk to Judge Stephen F. Williams, 2007–2008

**U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, Miami, FL**  
Judicial intern to Judge Stanley Marcus, August 2006

**U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Division, Washington, D.C.**  
Legal intern, Appellate Staff, Summer 2005

**U.S. House Committee on the Judiciary, Washington, D.C.**  
Legislative intern, Minority Staff, Summers 2000 and 2001

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

### **Primary Interests:**

Civil procedure, constitutional law, Anglo-American legal history, conflict of laws, corporate law

### **Additional Interests:**

Legislation, federal jurisdiction, administrative law, criminal law

## PUBLICATIONS AND WORKS IN PROGRESS

**Corruption, Clients, and Political Machines: A Response to Professor Issacharoff**  
124 Harv. L. Rev. F. 62 (2011)  
<http://ssrn.com/id=1713208>

**Conflict Resolution at a Medieval English Fair**  
*La Résolution des Conflits en Matière de Commerce Terrestre et Maritime* (Albrecht Cordes et al. eds., forthcoming 2011)

**Full Faith and Credit in the Early Congress**  
95 Va. L. Rev. 1201 (2009)  
<http://ssrn.com/id=1032676>

**Commentary, Why John McCain Was a Citizen at Birth**  
107 Mich. L. Rev. First Impressions 49 (2008)  
<http://www.michiganlawreview.org/firstimpressions/vol107/sachs.pdf>

**From St. Ives to Cyberspace: The Modern Distortion of the Medieval ‘Law Merchant’**  
21 Am. U. Int’l L. Rev. 685 (2006)  
<http://ssrn.com/id=830265>

**Comment, Saving Toby: Extortion, Blackmail, and the Right to Destroy**  
24 Yale L. & Pol’y Rev. 251 (2006)  
<http://ssrn.com/id=877492>

“Full Faith and Credit to Laws” (in progress)

“Arms and Agents of the State” (in progress)

“The Feigned Issue in the Federal System” (in progress)

