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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE SCHOOL OF LAW, Irvine, CA
Co-Associate Dean for Experiential Learning, Jan 2020–present
Clinical Professor of Law, July 2018–present
Director, Immigrant Rights Clinic, July 2021–present
Co-Director, Immigrant Rights Clinic, July 2013–June 2021
Assistant Clinical Professor of Law, July 2013–June 2018
Courses: Immigrant Rights Clinic; Advanced Immigrant Rights Clinic; Noncitizens in the Criminal Legal System; Immigration Law and Policy; Fact Investigation; Externship Seminar
Law School Committees: Curriculum, Rules, and Policies; Promotion & Tenure; Teaching and Learning; Appointments; Teaching Evaluations (Ad Hoc); Equity and Diversity; Dean's Search; Admissions; Fellowship Advisor; Incubator Programs
University Service: Academic Integrity Review Board; Council on Teaching, Learning & Student Experience; Student Advising (Ad Hoc)

YALE LAW SCHOOL, New Haven, CT
Clinical Lecturer in Law, July 2012–June 2013
Robert M. Cover Clinical Teaching Fellow, July 2011–June 2013
Courses: Worker and Immigrant Rights Advocacy Clinic

EDUCATION

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, New York, NY
J.D., *cum laude*, May 2006
Root-Tilden-Kern Public Interest Law Scholar; Robert McKay Scholar; Vanderbilt Medal Recipient; *Review of Law & Social Change*; Asian Pacific American Law Students Association; Clinics: Immigrant Rights Clinic, Advanced Immigrant Rights Clinic and International Human Rights Clinic

DUKE UNIVERSITY, Durham, NC
B.A. in Public Policy Studies, *summa cum laude*, May 2002
Joel Fleishman Distinguished Scholar of Public Policy; *Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law*; Undergraduate Instructor, *Rural Health and Community Action*

PUBLICATIONS

Arizona v. United States (rewritten opinion, with commentary by Kristina Campbell), in KATHLEEN KIM, KEVIN LAPP, AND JENNIFER LEE, *FEMINIST JUDGMENTS: IMMIGRATION LAW OPINIONS REWRITTEN* (forthcoming 2023)

An Evolving Vision for Experiential Education: The Immigrant Rights Clinic at the University of California, Irvine School of Law, 10 UC IRVINE LAW REVIEW 427 (2020)

Immigration Politics: Shifting Norms, Policies, and Practice Symposium: Transcript of Remarks, 52:4 LOYOLA LAW REVIEW 371 (2019) (with Felicia Escobar, Hiroshi Motomura, Karen Tumlin, and Kathleen Kim)

Access to Power, 148 DAEDALUS 82 (2019) (co-authored with Sameer Ashar)

Understanding Sanctuary Cities, 59 BOSTON COLLEGE LAW REVIEW 1703 (2018) (co-authored with Christopher N. Lasch, Linus Chan, Ingrid V. Eagly, Dina Francesca Haynes, Elizabeth McCormick and Juliet P. Stumpf)

Crimmigration Resistance and the Case of Sanctuary City Defunding, 57 SANTA CLARA LAW REVIEW 539 (2017) (co-authored with Christopher N. Lasch) [cited in *City of Chicago v. Barr*, 957 F.3d 772 (7th Cir. 2020)]

Confronting Proxy Criminalization, 92 DENVER UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 879 (2015)

Selected Commentary:

Op-Ed, "Elected Officials, Not Judges, Must End the Health Crisis in Immigration Detention Centers," OC REGISTER (May 26, 2020) (co-authored with Sameer Ashar and Carlos Perea)

Op-Ed, "Trump Can't Force 'Sanctuary Cities' to Enforce His Deportation Plans," WASHINGTON POST (Dec. 22, 2016) (co-authored with Erwin Chemerinsky and Seth Davis)

Blog Post, "Interior Enforcement and the Racial Construction of the Border," Border Criminologies (Apr. 9, 2015), at <https://www.law.ox.ac.uk/research-subject-groups/centre-criminology/centreborder-criminologies/blog/2015/04/interior>

Selected Amicus Briefs:

Amici Curiae Brief of Law and History Professors, *Gonzalez v. ICE*, Nos. 20-55175 & 20-55252 (9th Cir. June 12, 2020) (lead author)

Brief of Puente Arizona and Others as *Amici Curiae*, *Kansas v. Garcia*, No. 17-834 (U.S. Sup. Ct. Aug. 13, 2019) (lead author) [cited in *Kansas v. Garcia*, 140 S. Ct. 791 (2020) (Breyer, J. concurring)]

Brief of *Amici Curiae* of Immigration, Labor and Employment Law Scholars, *United States v. California*, 2:18-cv-00490-JAM-KJN (E.D. Cal. May 21, 2018) and Brief of *Amici Curiae* of Immigration, Labor and Employment Law Scholars, No. 18-16496, *United States v. California* (9th Cir. Nov. 13, 2018) (lead author)

Brief *Amici Curiae* of Administrative Law, Constitutional Law, and Immigration Law Scholars, *California v. Sessions*, 3:17-cv-04701-WHO (N.D. Cal. Nov. 29, 2017) (co-author)

Amici Curiae Brief of Administrative Law, Constitutional Law, and Immigration Law Scholars, *City of Philadelphia v. Sessions*, No. 2:17-cv-03894-MMB (E.D. Pa. Oct. 19, 2017) (co-author)

Amici Curiae Brief of Administrative Law, Constitutional Law, and Immigration Law Scholars, *City of Chicago v. Sessions*, No. 1:17-cv-5720 (N.D. Ill. Aug. 31, 2017) and *City of Chicago v. Sessions*, No. 17-2991 (7th Cir. Jan. 4, 2018) (co-author)

Amici Curiae Brief of Professors of Constitutional Law, Administrative Law, and Immigration Law, *City and County of San Francisco v. Trump*, No. 3:17-cv-00574-WHO (N.D. Cal. Mar. 22, 2017) and *Amicus* Brief of Law Scholars, *City and County of San Francisco v. Trump*, Nos. 17-17478 & 17-17480 (9th Cir. Feb. 12, 2018) (contributor)

Selected Reports:

THE STATE OF ORANGE COUNTY: AN ANALYSIS OF ORANGE COUNTY'S POLICIES ON IMMIGRATION AND A BLUEPRINT FOR AN IMMIGRANT INCLUSIVE FUTURE, Co-Author with Krsna Avila and Belinda Escobosa Helzer, Immigrant Legal Resource Center, Resilience Orange County and UCI School of Law Immigrant Rights Clinic Report (2019)

SECOND CHANCES FOR ALL: WHY ORANGE COUNTY PROBATION SHOULD STOP CHOOSING DEPORTATION OVER REHABILITATION FOR IMMIGRANT YOUTH, Co-Editor, UCI School of Law Immigrant Rights Clinic Report (2013)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

"Pedagogical Tools for Client-Centered Lawyering in a Movement Context: Examples from Immigrant Rights Advocacy," *Concurrent Session Co-Presenter*, 45th Annual Conference on Clinical Legal Education, San Francisco, CA (Apr. 30, 2023)

"Teaching Healing Justice," *Concurrent Session Co-Presenter*, 45th Annual Conference on Clinical Legal Education, San Francisco, CA (Apr. 28, 2023)

"Mapping Immigrant-Liberatory Policies at the Local Level," *Presenter—Virtual Session*, Law and Society Annual Meeting, Lisbon, Portugal (July 14, 2022)

"Collaborative Litigation with Organizational Plaintiffs," *Virtual CLE Co-Presenter*, International Refugee Assistance Project (May 18, 2021)

"Beyond 'Cultural Competence'" *Co-Presenter*, American University Washington College of Law Clinical Faculty Workshop (Nov. 2, 2020)

"Beyond 'Cultural Competency,'" *Discussion Group Facilitator*, AALS/CLEA Virtual Clinical Conference (July 21 and 22, 2020)

"Roundtable: Police Reform Litigation and Social Movements," *Participant*, Law and Society Annual Meeting—Virtual Conference (May 30, 2020)

"COVID-19 Habeas Relief for Detained Immigrants," *CLE Co-Presenter*, Public Law Center (Apr. 27, 2020)

"Documentary Screening—EXILED: America's Deported Veterans," *Invited Panelist*, UCI Veterans Studies Certificate Program (Jan. 23, 2020)

"Removal Defense with No Relief in Sight," *Invited Panelist*, Immigration Narratives, Civil Rights and Advocacy Conference, American Immigration Lawyers Association—Colorado Chapter, Denver, CO (Oct. 11, 2019)

"New Legislation and Case Law in the World of Immigrant Post-Conviction Relief," *Co-Presenter*, Webinar, Immigrant Legal Resource Center (June 13, 2019)

"Roundtable: The State of Immigration Surveillance," *Chair/Discussant*, Law and Society Annual Meeting, Washington, DC (June 1, 2019)

"Access to Law and Justice," *Concurrent Session Co-Presenter*, 42nd Annual Conference on Clinical Legal Education, San Francisco, CA (May 6, 2019)

"Immigration Federalism: Detention, Sanctuary Cities, and ICE," *Invited Panelist*, Law Review Symposium: Immigration in the Trump Era, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, CA (Feb. 1, 2019)

"Teaching Justice in the Context of Immigrants' Rights," *Co-Presenter*, Teaching Justice Webinar Series, Best Practices Committee, Clinical Legal Education Association (Dec. 6, 2018)

"Ethics in Immigration Law," *CLE Presenter*, Fighting Back in Removal Proceedings and in the Federal Courts, National Immigration Project of the National Lawyers Guild, Portland, OR (Oct. 31, 2018)

Concurrent Session on Immigration II, *Panelist*, Western Law Professors of Color & Conference of Asian Pacific American Law Faculty Joint Conference, University of Nevada Las Vegas Boyd School of Law, Las Vegas, NV (Oct. 20, 2018)

"Fighting for Sanctuary: A Vehicle for Learning About Advocacy and Social Justice," *Concurrent Session Co-Presenter*, AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Chicago, IL (May 9, 2018)

"Immigration Policy," *Panelist*, Immigration Politics: Shifting Norms, Policies, and Practices Symposium, Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, CA (Mar. 16, 2018)

"Sanctuary Policies: Risks, Benefits, Implementation and Litigation," *Moderator and Speaker*, Immigration and Employment Summit: Current Issues in the Trump Era, California Lawyers Association Labor & Employment Law Section, Los Angeles, CA (Jan. 25, 2018)

"Law and Organizing to Resist Criminalization," *Presenter*, Resistance on All Fronts Crim-Imm Convening, Justice Strategies and Grassroots Leadership (Nov. 29, 2017)

"Immigration Removal Defense Training and Rapid Response Training," *CLE Co-Presenter*, Public Law Center, Costa Mesa, CA (Nov. 28, 2017)

"Case Study: The Private Immigration Bond Industry," *Works in Progress Presenter*, ClassCrits X, Tulane University, New Orleans, LA (Nov. 11, 2017)

"Call to Action: Building Immigration Legal Services in Orange County," *Panelist*, American Immigration Lawyers Association Southern California Chapter, Irvine, CA (Oct. 11, 2017)

"Immigration Removal Defense Training," *CLE Co-Presenter*, Public Law Center, Irvine, CA (Sept. 15, 2017)

"Advanced Issues in Challenging Evidence of Alienage," *CLE Co-Presenter*, National Immigration Project, National Lawyers Guild, Washington, DC (Aug. 2, 2017)

"The Price of Freedom: Immigration Courts and the Private Immigration Bond Industry," *Paper Presenter*, Law and Society Annual Meeting, Mexico City, Mexico (June 22, 2017)

"Teaching Social Justice Lawyering: Pedagogical Tools to Sharpen Student Engagement with Marginalized Communities," *Concurrent Session Co-Presenter*, AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Denver, CO (May 8, 2017)

"Law Enforcement/Policing," *Panelist*, Immigration Federalism Conference, Rehnquist Center, University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law, Tucson, AZ (Feb 24, 2017)

"Lessons from Arizona," *Presenter*, Crimmigration Law Lecture Series, University of Denver Sturm College of Law (Nov 11, 2016)

"Immigration and the Law," *Panelist*, CSU Long Beach Law Society, Long Beach, CA (Oct. 26, 2016)

"Life After the Plea: Crime-Based Deportation and Post-Conviction Rehabilitative Relief 20 Years after IIRIRA," *Presenter*, Drexel Law Review Symposium (Oct 14, 2016)

"Exile as Punishment: Crime-Based Deportation, Post-Conviction Rehabilitative Relief and Executive Action 20 Years after IIRIRA," *Paper Presenter*, Law and Society Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA (June 2, 2016)

"Supervising Movement Lawyering," *Concurrent Session Co-Presenter*, AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Baltimore, MD (May 2, 2016)

"Childhood Arrivals and their American Dreams: Ensuring Their Rights in the United States," *Panelist*, UC Davis Journal of Juvenile Law & Policy Symposium, Davis, CA (Mar 4, 2016)

"Success Stories from the Frontlines of Social Change," *Panelist*, 14th Annual Impact Fund Class Action Conference, San Francisco, CA (Feb 18, 2016)

"Crime-Based Deportation, Post-Conviction Rehabilitative Relief and Executive Action," *Works-In-Progress Presenter*, Critical Constitutionalism LatCrit 2015: Twentieth Anniversary Conference, Anaheim, CA (Oct 2, 2015)

"Post-Conviction Rehabilitative Relief and Deportation (Nearly) 20 Years After IIRIRA," *Paper Presenter*, Clinical Law Review Writers' Workshop, New York University School of Law, New York, NY (Sept 26, 2015)

"Texas v. United States," *Presenter*, Orange County Bar Association Meeting, Newport Beach, CA (Aug 4, 2015)

"Law Practice and Social Change in the Academy," *Plenary Session Panelist*, 2015 Emerging Immigration Scholars' Conference, University of Miami School of Law, Miami, FL (June 12, 2015)

"'Work Is Not a Crime': Asserting Rights from the Margins of Law," *Paper Co-Presenter*, Law and Society Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA (May 29, 2015)

"Policing Communities of Color: Where Do Asian Pacific Americans Stand?" *Panelist*, Asian Pacific American Bar Association of Los Angeles County APA Heritage Month Event, Los Angeles, CA (May 18, 2015)

"Newish Clinicians" Navigating the (New) Normal – Experiences, Strategies, and Opportunities," *Concurrent Session Co-Presenter*, AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Rancho Mirage, CA (May 5, 2015)

"Immigrants and the State Criminal Justice System," *Panelist*, CrImmigration: Crossing the Border Between Criminal Law and Immigration Law, Denver University Law Review, Sturm College of Law, Denver, CO (Feb 6, 2015)

"Immigration Clinics: Structure and Design Choices," *Panelist*, 2014 Immigration Law Professors Workshop – Reimagining Reform, U.C. Irvine School of Law, Irvine, CA (May 22, 2014)

"Defining the Agenda Together: Engaging Community Stakeholders in Clinic Intake and Docket Design," *Concurrent Session Co-Presenter*, AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Chicago, IL (Apr 28, 2014)

"Immigration Controls on Vice," *Panelist*, Northeast People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference on Defining Vice: Evolving Standards of Morality, Law and Governance, University of Puerto Rico School of Law, San Juan, Puerto Rico (Dec 6, 2013)

"Immigration Damages Litigation: Discovery Strategies," *CLE Co-Presenter*, National Immigration Project and National Police Accountability Project, National Lawyers Guild, and the University of Miami School of Law, Miami, FL (Jan 11, 2013)

"Litigating Police Immigration Enforcement and Stops After SB 1070," *Session Panelist*, Yale Law School Working Conference, New Haven, CT (Sept 29, 2012)

"Battling Restrictive State Legislation," *Panelist*, National Immigration Law Center Low-Income Immigrants' Rights Conference, Washington, DC (Dec 9, 2011)

"Who's Holding the Keys, Preemption Issues and Immigration Policy: The Courts, the States and the United States," *Panelist*, State Bar of Arizona Annual Convention, Tucson, AZ (June 16, 2011)

"Civil Rights Revisited – Vincent Chin Murder Case," *Panelist*, Arizona Minority Bar Convention, Phoenix, AZ (Apr 14, 2011)

"How to Litigate a Racial Profiling Case," *CLE Co-Presenter*, ACLU Nationwide Affiliate Immigration Conference, Las Vegas, NV (Jan 29, 2011)

"Arizona and the Fight for Immigrant Rights," *Invited Speaker*, American Constitution Society, Yale Law School, New Haven, CT (Nov 11, 2010)

"The Arizona Immigration Debate: Constitutional Issues," *Invited Speaker*, American Constitution Society, Tulane Law School, New Orleans, LA (Nov 9, 2010)

"State and Local Immigration-Related Legislation," *Panelist*, Advancing Justice Conference: Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders United in Strength, Washington, DC (June 25, 2010)

Pro Bono Graduation Awards Ceremony, *Keynote Speaker*, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ (Apr 23, 2010)

OTHER EMPLOYMENT

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION OF ARIZONA, Phoenix, AZ, *Staff Attorney*, Sept 2009–July 2011; *Racial Justice Fellow*, Sept 2008–Sept 2009

Participated in all aspects of litigation for state affiliate's civil rights and civil liberties docket, including drafting pleadings, taking discovery, dispositive motion practice, client interviewing and counseling, coordinating expert reports and soliciting amicus briefs. Conducted research and provided technical assistance on issues including police misconduct, immigrants' rights, jail and prison conditions, reproductive freedom, voting rights, juvenile justice, religious discrimination and freedom of speech. Conducted legislative analysis and briefings. Coordinated response to immigration raids and sweeps, facilitated CLEs and workshops, drafted policy reports and conducted know your rights presentations. Supervised volunteer attorneys, student interns, paralegal, and administrative assistant.

THE HONORABLE JAMES C. FRANCIS IV, MAGISTRATE JUDGE, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, New York, NY, *Law Clerk*, Sept 2007–Aug 2008

URBAN JUSTICE CENTER, New York, NY, *Staff Attorney, Community Development Project*, Sept 2006–Aug 2007
Provided legal assistance to immigrant workers on a range of consumer, health and employment matters in administrative proceedings and state and federal litigation. Partnered with coalition of community organizations and providers to monitor hospitals' compliance with New York state law and to ensure access to healthcare for low-income, uninsured residents.

THE FORD FOUNDATION, New York, NY, *Migrant and Refugee Rights Portfolio Consultant*, Sept 2006–Aug 2007

INSTITUTE FOR POLICY RESEARCH AND ADVOCACY, Jakarta, Indonesia, *Legal Intern*, July–Aug 2005

HART FELLOWS PROGRAM, DUKE UNIVERSITY, *Post-Graduate Fellow in Leadership and Public Service*, Shanghai and Dali, China, July 2002–May 2003

MÉDECINS SANS FRONTIÈRES, Geneva, Switzerland, *Aide to Campaign for Access to Essential Medicines*, March–May 2001

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education Clinical & Experiential Law Program Directors Workshop, *Facilitator*, 2023

Orange County Justice Fund, *Founding Board Member*, 2018–present

International Refugee Assistance Project Litigation Department, *Advisory Committee Member*, 2018–present, *Retreat Facilitator*, 2018, 2019

Emerging Immigration Scholars Conference, *Planning Committee Member*, 2017, 2023

Resilience Orange County, *Advisory Board Member*, 2019–2021

Immigration Law Teachers Workshop, *Planning Committee Member*, 2014, 2016, 2020

Asian Americans Advancing Justice–Orange County, *Community Advisory Council Member*, 2016–2018

ACLU Foundation of Arizona, *Cooperating Attorney*, 2011–2018. Serve as
class counsel for plaintiffs in *Ortega Melendres v. Arpaio*, No. 2:07-cv-02513-GMS (D. Ariz.)

AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, *Working Group Co-Facilitator*, 2017

Maricopa County Human Rights Fund, *Board Chair*, 2010–2011

AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS

ACLU Foundation of Southern California Advocates for Justice Reception, *Immigrants' Rights Award*, 2023

Impact Fund 26th Anniversary Gala, *Honoree*, 2019

Casa de la Familia, *JFK Award for Excellence in Community Advocacy*, 2017

National Lawyers Guild—Los Angeles Annual Dinner, *Honoree*, 2017

ADMISSIONS

California

New York

United States District Court for the Central District of California United

States District Court for the Southern District of New York United States

District Court for the District of Connecticut United States Court of

Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

United States Supreme Court