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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of Illinois College of Law, Champaign-Urbana, IL

Professor (2015 – Present); *Associate Professor* (2013 – 2015); *Assistant Professor* (2010 – 2013)
Director, Business Law Program (Apr. 2025 – Present)
Richard W. and Marie L. Corman Scholar (2010 – 2015)

Interim Dean (Summer 2023)

Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs (Jan. 2023 – July 2024)

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs (Jan. 2021 – Jan. 2023)

Cardozo School of Law, New York, NY

Visiting Assistant Professor (2008 – 2010)

Fordham University School of Law, New York, NY

Visiting Assistant Professor (2006 – 2008)

LEGAL PRACTICE & JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP, New York, NY

Associate in the Litigation and Securities Departments (2002 – 2005)

United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, Philadelphia, PA

Judicial Law Clerk for the Honorable Marjorie O. Rendell (2001 – 2002)

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

Judicial Law Clerk for the Honorable Lewis A. Kaplan (2000 – 2001)

EDUCATION

Harvard Law School, J.D. (2000), Cum Laude

Harvard Law Review, Executive Editor

Harvard College, B.A. (1993), Magna Cum Laude

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Books

ELGAR RESEARCH HANDBOOK ON REPRESENTATIVE SHAREHOLDER LITIGATION (2018) (Co-Editor, with Jessica Erickson, Sean Griffith, & David Webber).

Articles

Settlementality (with Jessica Bregant & Jennifer K. Robbennolt).

Unicorn Shareholder Suits, 100 INDIANA L. J. 1 (2024).

Settlement Schemas: How Laypeople Understand Civil Settlement, 20 J. EMPIRICAL LEGAL STUD. 488 (2023) (with Jessica Bregant & Jennifer K. Robbennolt).

Perceptions of Settlement (with Jessica Bregant & Jennifer K. Robbennolt), 27 HARVARD NEGOTIATION L. REV. 93 (2021).

- Awarded Hugh L. Carey Center's 2023 Dispute Resolution Advancement Award.
- Awarded Carroll P. Hurd Award for Excellence in Faculty Scholarship, University of Illinois College of Law (2022).
- Selected as the Best Article of 2021 by the Association of American Law Schools, Section on ADR.

Private Company Fraud, 54 UC DAVIS LAW REVIEW 663 (2020).

- Selected for reprinting in 63 CORPORATE PRACTICE COMMENTATOR 341 (Robert B. Thompson, ed., 2021).

Enforcement Networks, 37 YALE J. ON REGULATION 274 (2020).

The New ICO Intermediaries, 5 ITALIAN LAW JOURNAL 731 (2019) (with Vanessa Villanueva Collao).

An Empirical Study of Admissions in SEC Settlements, 60 ARIZ. L. REV. 1 (2018) (with Jennifer K. Robbennolt).

- Recipient of the 2020 Mangano Dispute Resolution Advancement Award.

Admissions of Guilt in Civil Enforcement, 101 MINNESOTA L. REV. 1077 (2018) (with Jennifer K. Robbennolt).

- Selected for reprinting in 60 CORPORATE PRACTICE COMMENTATOR 809 (Robert B. Thompson, ed., 2019) and in SECURITIES LAW REVIEW (Donald C. Langevoort, ed.).

Shareholder Litigation by Contract, 96 BOSTON UNIVERSITY LAW REV. 481 (2016).

- Awarded Carroll P. Hurd Award for Excellence in Faculty Scholarship, University of Illinois College of Law (2017).
- Awarded Prize for Scholarship, GW Law School's Center for Law, Economics & Finance (C-LEAF) Junior Faculty Workshop (2015).

Delaware Invites Certified Questions from Bankruptcy Courts, 39 DEL. J. OF CORPORATE L. 427 (2014).

Certification of State-Law Questions by Bankruptcy Courts, 87 AM. BANKR. L. J. 483 (2013) (peer-reviewed).

Aligning Law and Forum: The Home Court Advantage, 81 TENN. L. REV. 1 (2013).

Bargaining for Exclusive State Court Jurisdiction, 1 STANFORD J. OF COMPLEX LITIG. 51 (2012) (peer-reviewed).

Cooperative Interbranch Federalism: Certification of State-Law Questions by Federal Agencies, 63 VANDERBILT L. REV. 181 (2010).

Fair Funds and the SEC's Compensation of Injured Investors, 60 FLA. L. REV. 1103 (2008).

- Selected for reprinting in SECURITIES LAW REVIEW 2009 (Donald C. Langevoort, ed.).

Book Chapters, Symposia Essays, & Other Shorter Works

SEC Insider Trading Enforcement and the U.S. Supreme Court (book chapter in the ELGAR RESEARCH HANDBOOK ON INSIDER TRADING, 2d ed.) (2024).

Litigation Rights and the Corporate Contract (book chapter in THE CORPORATE CONTRACT IN CHANGING TIMES, Chicago University Press 2019).

Private Ordering of Shareholder Litigation in the EU and the US (with Matteo Gargantini) (book chapter in the ELGAR RESEARCH HANDBOOK ON REPRESENTATIVE SHAREHOLDER LITIGATION) (2018).

Disgorgement in Insider Trading Cases: FY2005-FY2015, 71 SMU L. REV. 999 (2018) (Symposium on Texas Gulf Sulphur's 50th Anniversary).

Beyond Corporate Contract: A Response to Helen Hershkoff & Marcel Kahan, Forum-Selection Provisions in Corporate "Contracts," WASH. L. REV. ONLINE (invited response) (2018).

A Cooperative Federalism Approach to Shareholder Arbitration, 128 YALE LAW JOURNAL FORUM 169 (2018) (with Zachary Clopton).

LLCs and the Private Ordering of Dispute Resolution, 41 J. OF CORPORATION L. 795 (2016) (with Peter Molk).

Contracting Around Securities Litigation, 68 SMU L. REV. 913 (2015) (Symposium in Honor of Corporate and Securities Scholar Alan Bromberg).

Corporate Law and the Reach of Courts, 19 LEWIS & CLARK L. REV. 693 (2015) (Symposium on Personal Jurisdiction).

Personal Jurisdiction and Corporate Groups: DaimlerChrysler AG v. Bauman, 9 J. OF PRIV. INT'L L. 431-448 (2013) (peer-reviewed).

Jurisdiction Over Corporate Officers and the Incoherence of Implied Consent, 2013 U. OF ILL. L. REV. 1171.

Teaching Federal Corporate Law, 8 J. BSNS. & TECH. L. 1 (2013) (invited essay).

Public Agencies and Investor Compensation: Examples from the SEC and CFTC, 61 ADMIN. L. REV. 137 (2009).

SELECTED BLOG POSTS & PODCASTS

Guest Posts

- *Unicorn Shareholder Suits* (blog post), Harvard Law School Forum on Corporate Governance (Apr. 25, 2024)
- *"We Acknowledge the Court's Rulings" and Other Terrible Apologies*, Verdict, Justicia (May 18, 2023) (with Jessica Bregant & Jennifer K. Robbennolt)
- *What's So Special About the Fox/Dominion Settlement? Less Than You'd Think*, Verdict, Justicia (May 15, 2023) (with Jessica Bregant & Jennifer K. Robbennolt)
- *Financial Regulation and the Climate: A Case Study of the "Whole-of-Government" Approach*, Symposium on President Biden's First 100 Days, U. Ill. L. Rev. Online (Apr. 30, 2021)
- *Private Company Fraud and Enforcement*, The CLS Blue Sky Blog: Columbia Law School's Blog on Corporations and the Capital Markets (Mar. 30, 2020)
- *Auditing Crypto-Financing*, The FinReg Blog, Duke Law Global Financial Markets Center (Mar. 10, 2020) (with Vanessa Villanueva Collao)
- *Auditing Initial Coin Offerings and Smart Contracts*, Machine Lawyering Blog, Centre for Financial Regulation and Economic Development, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (Mar. 3, 2020) (with Vanessa Villanueva Collao)
- *Mapping Enforcement Networks*, Oxford Business Law Blog (Jan. 13, 2020)
- *The SEC's Enforcement Network*, NYU Compliance and Enforcement Blog (Jan. 6, 2020)

- *Disgorgement After Kokesh, Evidence from Insider Trading*, Oxford Business Law Blog and NYU Compliance and Enforcement Blog (May 14, 2018)
- *Admissions and Accountability in Civil Enforcement*, The Columbia Law School Blue Sky Blog (Nov. 7, 2017) (with Jennifer K. Robbennolt)
- *Admitting Wrongdoing to the SEC: An Empirical Study of Admissions in SEC Settlements*, NYU Compliance and Enforcement Blog (Oct. 24, 2017) (with Jennifer K. Robbennolt)
- *Financial Deregulation*, 2017 U. Ill. L. Rev. Online: Trump 100 Days (Apr. 29, 2017)
- *Tailoring Dispute Rules in Shareholder Litigation*, Oxford Business Law Blog (Apr. 12, 2017) (with Matteo Gargantini)
- *Denials and Admissions in Civil Enforcement – Looking Beyond the SEC*, NYU Compliance and Enforcement Blog (Apr. 5, 2017) (with Jennifer K. Robbennolt)

JOTWELL, International & Comparative Law Section (Contributing Editor, 2015 – Present)

- *Techno-Rights*, JOTWELL (June 25, 2024) (reviewing Anu Bradford, Europe’s Digital Constitution)
- *Corporate Pathways for International Law*, JOTWELL (Aug. 7, 2023) (reviewing Kishanthi Parella, International Law in the Boardroom)
- *Law Enforcement as Foreign Policy*, JOTWELL (May 30, 2022) (reviewing Steven Arrigg Koh, The Criminalization of Foreign Relations)
- *Delaware’s Place in the World*, JOTWELL (Mar. 31, 2021) (reviewing William J. Moon, Delaware’s Global Competitiveness)
- *“Legalish” Global Financial Regulation*, JOTWELL (Feb. 14, 2020) (reviewing David Zaring, THE GLOBALIZED GOVERNANCE OF FINANCE (2020))
- *In Support of Arbitration*, JOTWELL (Jan. 9, 2019) (reviewing Pamela Bookman, The Arbitration-Litigation Paradox, Vanderbilt L. Rev.)
- *Cryptocurrencies, Le Bitcoin, and Regulatory Reach*, JOTWELL (Mar. 6, 2018) (reviewing Iris M. Barsan, Legal Challenges of Initial Coin Offerings (ICO), 3 Revue Trimestrielle de Droit Financier (2017))
- *Business Lobbying Goes Global*, JOTWELL (Jan. 18, 2017) (reviewing Melissa J. Durkee, Astroturf Activism, 69 Stanford L. Rev. (2017))

Illinois Public Radio, Legal Issues in the News (2014 – Spring 2020)

- When WeWork Went Public (Dec. 2, 2019)
- Blowing the Whistle on Corporate Fraud (Nov. 4, 2019)
- #MeToo Investor Suits (May 27, 2019)
- Litigating Loss - and the Post-Crash Lawsuits Against Boeing (May 6, 2019)

- Suing the Sacklers (Apr. 8, 2019)
- Lorenzo versus the SEC (Dec. 3, 2018)
- The SEC versus Elon Musk (Oct. 8, 2018)
- Accountability and Admissions at Wells Fargo (May 1, 2017)
- What Is Dodd-Frank? (Feb. 20, 2017)
- Family Ties, Insider Trading and the Supreme Court (Sept. 26, 2016)
- The Story of Theranos—Billions of Dollars, Blood, and Mythical Beasts (Apr. 25, 2016)
- Global Soccer, Corruption, and FIFA as a Victim of Crime (Mar. 28, 2016)
- The Pizza Maker and *U.S. v Newman* (Dec. 14, 2015)
- What Is A Fish? And the Supreme Court’s Surprising Answer (Mar. 9, 2015)

GRANTS, HONORS, & AWARDS

Grants

Co-Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation (NSF) RAPID Grant (\$158,000), *Small Businesses and Access to Legal Resources During the COVID-19 Pandemic* (with Jeremy McClane, Robert Lawless, Melissa Graebner).

Campus Research Board Award, University of Illinois. Designated as an Arnold O. Beckman Award for “projects of special distinction or promise.” For *Corporate Contract Innovation*, a multi-institutional empirical project that examines charter and bylaw innovation in U.S. public companies.

Grants to develop a course and workshop in Transnational Law: EU “Center of Excellence” Grant from the European Commission (2014 – 2015) and Title VI Grant from the Department of Education (2014 – 2017).

National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges Endowment for Education, “Certification of State-Law Questions by Bankruptcy Courts” (2011 – 2013).

Honors & Awards

Fellow, Big Ten Academic Alliance, Academic Leadership Program (2022 – 2023).

Hugh L. Carey Center’s 2023 Dispute Resolution Advancement Award, for *Perceptions of Settlement* (with Jessica Bregant & Jennifer K. Robbennolt).

Carroll P. Hurd Award for Excellence in Faculty Scholarship, *Perceptions of Settlement*, University of Illinois College of Law (2022).

Best Article of 2021 by the Association of American Law Schools, Section on ADR, for *Perceptions of Settlement*.

2020 Mangano Dispute Resolution Advancement Award, for *An Empirical Study of Admissions in SEC Settlements* (with Jennifer K. Robbennolt) for “published empirical research [that] has furthered the advancement and understanding of the values and skills of dispute resolution.”

Carroll P. Hurd Award for Excellence in Faculty Scholarship, *Shareholder Litigation by Contract*, University of Illinois College of Law (2017).

Prize for Scholarship, *Shareholder Litigation by Contract*, GW Law School’s Center for Law, Economics & Finance (C-LEAF) Junior Faculty Workshop (2015).

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS & CONFERENCES

Conferences & Speaker Series Organized

Co-Organizer & Co-Founder, Annual Workshop for Corporate & Securities Litigation (2013 – present), hosted by University of Illinois, UCLA, University of Richmond, & Vanderbilt (formerly BU).

Co-Organizer, Settlement in the 21st Century, Conference Hosted by the University of Illinois College of Law and the Anderson Center for Advocacy and Professionalism (Apr. 2022).

Co-Organizer, Law & Data Science Summit, iDSI, University of Illinois College of Law (Oct. 2018).

Co-Organizer, Seminar in Law, Behavior and Social Science, a speaker series focused on regulation, University of Illinois College of Law (Spring 2014).

Selected Academic Presentations

Settlementality, Colloquium on Current Issues in Complex Litigation, The University of Texas School of Law (Feb. 2025).

Unicorn Shareholder Suits

- Emory Law School (Nov. 2024)
- Annual Workshop for Corporate & Securities Litigation, Vanderbilt Law School (Sept. 2023)
- Civil Procedure Workshop, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, online (Oct. 2020)
- Maryland Law Review Symposium entitled Delaware’s Emerging Competition and the Future of American Corporate Law (Feb. 2020)

Opt-In Enforcement, Annual Workshop for Corporate & Securities Litigation, UCLA School of Law (Sept. 2024).

Insider Trading and the Supreme Court, Symposium: New Trends in Corporate Governance, Dipartimento di Giurisprudenza, University of Genoa (July 2023).

Business Law Panelist & Commentator

- Commentator on Jeff McMullin, "Facts versus Opinions: An Analysis of Media Quotes in Securities Litigation Complaints," Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (CELS), Emory Law School (Nov. 2024)
- "Paper Trails: Business and Financial Crimes," Annual Survey of American Law 2023 Symposium, NYU Law School (Mar. 2023)
- Commentator on Broughman & Wansley, "Whistleblowing in Silicon Valley," and Eldar, "Common Ownership Directors," 24th Annual Law & Business Conference, Vanderbilt Law School (Mar. 2022)
- "Enforcement and Litigation Trends to Reign in Market Excess and Misbehavior," Journal of Corporate & Financial Law Symposium about SPACs, Fordham Law School, online (Oct. 2021)
- "Corporate Forum Selection Clauses," AALS Annual Meeting, Conflicts of Law, online (Jan. 2021)

Private Company Fraud

- Corporate and Securities Litigation Workshop Series, online (Aug. 2020)
- National Business Law Scholars Conference (June 2020)
- Emory Law School (Jan. 2020)

Enforcement Networks

- Business Scholarship Podcast (Feb. 18, 2020)
- Corporate and Securities Litigation Workshop, Richmond Law School (Oct. 2018)
- Law & Data Science Summit, University of Illinois College of Law (Oct. 2018)

An Empirical Study of Admissions in SEC Settlements

- Workshop for Corporate & Securities Litigation, UCLA (Oct. 2017)
- 2020 Mangano Dispute Resolution Award ceremony, presentation with Jennifer K. Robbennolt, online (Sept. 2020)

Admissions of Guilt in Civil Enforcement, Faculty Workshop, Brooklyn Law School (Sept. 2017).

Litigation Rights and the Corporate Contract

- 20th Annual Law and Business Conference, The Corporate Contract in Changing Times, Vanderbilt Law School (Nov. 2017)

- Berkeley/Vanderbilt Conference on the Corporate Contract in Changing Times (Apr. 2016)

Private Ordering of Shareholder Litigation in the EU and the US

- American Society of Comparative Law YCC, Comparative Business & Financial Law Workshop, University of Kansas School of Law (Feb. 2017) (paper selected from call for papers)
- Corporate and Securities Litigation Workshop, University of Illinois College of Law (Sept. 2016)

Shareholder Litigation by Contract

- Berkeley Law School, Law, Economics and Business Seminar (Mar. 2016)
- Visiting Scholar in Residence in Business and Corporate Law, Widener University, Delaware Law School (Sept. 2015)
- University of Luxembourg (June 2015)
- Florida International University (Mar. 2015)
- GW Law School's Center for Law, Economics & Finance (C-LEAF) Junior Faculty Workshop (Feb. 2015)
- Junior Federal Courts Workshop, University of Georgia (Oct. 2014)
- Faculty Workshop, Emory Law School (Oct. 2014)
- Panelist & Moderator, "Multi-Jurisdictional Deal Litigation," Texas Tech Law (Apr. 2014)
- *Multijurisdictional Deal Litigation*, Murphy Conference on Corporate Law, Fordham Law School (May 2012)

Selected Presentations to Lawyers, Judges & Financial Professionals

Data Law, Keynote, University of Illinois Research Park's 2018 Big Data Summit (Nov. 2018)

When Data Governance Goes Wrong: Partners in Business Ethics Symposium, The Gies College of Business & the Center for Professional Responsibility in Business and Society (Oct. 2018); Industry Data Science Summit, Illinois Data Science Initiative (May 2018)

China Executive Leadership Program, University of Illinois: *Financial Regulation and the Implications for FinTech* (September 2018); *Recent Developments in U.S. Securities Law* (Sept. 2013); *Legal Implications of Dodd-Frank and "Too Big to Fail"* (Aug. 2011)

Panelist

- *Chicago Mercantile Exchange Faculty Roundtable*, University of Illinois (Sept. 2016)
- *Conference on Improving Investor Recovery: Public & Private Enforcement*, Osgoode, Toronto, Canada (Oct. 2015)
- *Non-Bankruptcy Approaches to Recovering Executive Compensation*, National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges (Oct. 2009)

TEACHING

Courses, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign: Business Associations; Civil Procedure; Securities Regulation; Securities Litigation & Enforcement; Business Law Colloquium; Federal Corporate Law; International & Comparative Corporate Law; Seminar in Law, Behavior & Social Science; Legal Environment of Business (Business School)

Shareholder Litigation and Enforcement: A Comparative Perspective, LUISS (Libera Università Internazionale degli Studi Sociali Guido Carli), Summer School on European and Comparative Company Law: Capital Markets, Rome, Italy (July 2024 online, July 2023 online, July 2022, July 2021, July 2020 online, July 2019, July 2018, July 2017, July 2016)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & AFFILIATIONS

Public Engagement & Service

Faculty Reading Group, American Bar Association (ABA), Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary, Evaluation of Ketanji Brown Jackson, Nominee to the U.S. Supreme Court (evaluated a set of Judge Jackson's district court opinions, contributing to the assessment provided to the ABA for its report to the Senate Judiciary Committee) (Spring 2022)

Member of the Peer Review Board, *Northwestern Law Review* (2017 - present)

American Association of Law Schools (AALS):

Chair, Securities Regulation Section (2016 – 2017)

Executive Committee Member, AALS Civil Procedure Section (2015 – Jan. 2021)

College of Law & University Service

College of Law Leadership: Interim Dean (Summer 2023); Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs (Jan. 2023 – July 2024); Associate Dean for Academic Affairs (Jan. 2021 – Jan. 2023)

College of Law Committees: Executive Committee (elected); Clerkships (chair); Diversity (chair); Curriculum (chair); Lectures (chair); Student Awards (chair); Promotion & Tenure; Appointments; Career Services; VAPs; Faculty Scholarship; Assessments

University Committees (2023 – Present): Campus Budget Oversight Committee (chair); Campus Awards and Honors Committee

Bar Membership

Member, New York Bar

Admitted to practice before the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York