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Employment

- 2012-present Assistant Professor of Law, USC Gould School of Law
- 2012-2013 Law Clerk, Judge John T. Noonan, United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit

Education

- 2012 PH.D., Political Science, University of California, Berkeley
Thesis title: Exposing Malfeasance: Anti-Corruption Laws in the Fifty States
Committee: Sean Gilmard (Chair), Anne Joseph O’Connell, Jasjeet Sekhon
Areas of specialization: Public Law, American Politics, Methodology
- 2007 J.D., Harvard Law School
Senior Editor, Harvard International Law Journal
Project Leader, Latin American Working Group for Human Rights
Third year paper: “Institutional Design and Anti-Corruption in South Korea and the Philippines,” advised by Martha Minow
- 2007 M.A.L.D., Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University
- 2000 B.A., Austin College, Sherman, Texas, *summa cum laude*

Publications

- forthcoming “Citizens United, States Divided: Evidence of Elasticity in Independent Expenditures”, with Douglas Spencer. 89 Ind. L. J. ____ (forthcoming, 2014).
- 2009 “Charm and Punishment: How the Philippines’ leading man became its most famous prisoner”, in PROSECUTING HEADS OF STATE (Ellen Lutz and Caitlin Reiger, eds., Cambridge University, 2009)

Papers and Works in Progress

Under
Review

“The Paradox of Agency Responsiveness: A Federal FOIA Experiment” with David Lewis. *Draft available.*

“In the Shadows of Sunlight: An Empirical Study of Campaign Finance Transparency”, with Douglas Spencer. *Draft available.*

“Exposing Malfeasance: Legal Reform and Government Corruption”. *Draft available.*

“Tell Me Where You Park, and I’ll Tell You Where You’re From”, with Francesca Jensenius. *Draft available.*

“The Political Origins and Economic Effects of Whistleblower Laws”.

“Bureaucratic Agency Problems and Legislative Oversight”, with Sean Gailmard and Janna Rezaee (in progress)

“Congress, Responsiveness, and Agency Performance”, with David E. Lewis and Jennifer L. Selin. *Draft available.*

“Plausibly Denying Access to Justice: The Empirical Effects of Heightened Pleading Standards”, with Roger M. Michalski (in progress)

Presentations

“In the Shadows of Sunlight: The Effects of Transparency on State Political Campaigns”, International Society for New Institutional Economics, Los Angeles, CA, June 15, 2012.

“Citizens United, States Divided: Evidence of Elasticity in Independent Expenditures”, Political Economy and Public Law conference (invited), University of Virginia, May 30, 2012.

“Illicit Trade and Bounties in the U.S. Customs Service”, University of Geneva and World Economic Forum (invited), San Francisco, CA, May 9, 2012.

“Bounty Hunting: The Limits of Financial Incentives for Reporting Corruption” Midwest Political Science Association Meeting, Chicago IL, April 14, 2012.

“The Paradox of Agency Responsiveness: A Federal FOIA Experiment” with David Lewis. Midwest Political Science Association Meeting, Chicago IL, April 14, 2012.

“Bounty Hunting: The Limits of Financial Incentives for Reporting Corruption”, Northwestern School of Law (invited), February 20, 2012.

“Bounty Hunting: The Limits of Financial Incentives for Reporting Corruption”, USC Gould School of Law (invited), February 1, 2012.

“Exposing Malfeasance: Legal Reform and Government Corruption” Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Chicago, IL, November 5, 2011.

“Citizens United, States Divided? The Interaction of Transparency and Spending in State Elections” with Douglas Spencer. American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, September 3, 2011.

“The Paradox of Agency Responsiveness: A Federal FOIA Experiment” with David Lewis. U.C. Berkeley Research Workshop in American Politics, September 21, 2011.

“Exposing Malfeasance: Legal Reform and Government Corruption” U.C. Berkeley Research Workshop in American Politics, April 6, 2011.

“Tell Me Where You Park, and I’ll Tell You Where You’re From: A Study of Diplomatic Corruption,” poster presentation at National Science Foundation’s IGERT Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, May 18, 2009.

“Is the Decision to Prosecute Joseph Estrada a Result of International Influence?” International Center for Transitional Justice, New York, NY, September 29, 2006.

Grants & Awards

2011-2012	Mike Synar Graduate Research Fellowship, Institute for Governmental Studies, U.C. Berkeley
2010-2011	U.C. Berkeley Empirical Legal Studies Fellowship
2010	Dean’s Normative Time Fellowship, U.C. Berkeley
2008-2010	National Science Foundation, IGERT Fellowship
2009	National Science Foundation, Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models grant
2004-2005	Chayes International Public Service Fellowship, Harvard Law School
2004-2005	Fletcher School Merit Award
2000	Thomas W. Knuckles Award for Ethics and Human Rights, Austin College
1996-2000	Austin College Leadership Fellowship

Courses Taught or Assisted

Administrative Law
Criminal Law
International Law
International Human Rights Law
International Legal Research and Writing
Supreme Court and Public Policy
Introduction to Empirical Analysis & Quantitative Methods
Comparative Politics

Service to the Discipline(s)

Referee, *Political Behavior*, *Law and Society Review*

Other Professional Experience

- 2006 Steptoe & Johnson LLP, Washington, DC
Summer Associate
- 2006 National Democratic Institute for International Affairs, Washington, DC
Researcher
- 2005 World Bank, Poverty Reduction and Economic Management Network for Latin America and Caribbean region (LAC-PREM), Washington, DC
Consultant (unpaid)
- 2004 United States Agency for International Development, Cairo, Egypt
Legal intern
- 2003 Thompson Coe, LLP, Legal Assistant, Dallas, TX
Legal Assistant
- 2001-2002 Avon Breast Cancer 3-Day, Dallas
Field Coordinator
- 2000-2001 Baker Botts, LLP, Dallas TX
Legal Assistant Clerk

Bar Admission

New York, 2008