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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Delaware Law School, Widener University

Associate Professor of Law

Wilmington, Delaware

July 2020-present

California Western School of Law

Associate Professor of Law

Assistant Professor of Law

San Diego, California

November 2018-present

July 2017-November 2018

Harvard University

W.E.B. Du Bois Institute Fellow

Cambridge, Massachusetts

February 2015-July 2015

EDUCATION

Ph.D. University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa (December 2017)

Social Anthropology and Law & Society

Awards: JC Carstens Scholar, University of Witwatersrand Postgraduate Merit Award

Activities: *South African Journal of Human Rights* (student editor), Research Assistant: Justice Yacoob of the Constitutional Court of South Africa (2014), Research Assistant: Centre for Applied Legal Studies (2013-2015)

J.D. Fordham University School of Law, Cum Laude, New York, NY (2007)

Awards: Crowley Scholar, *Summa Cum Laude* Archibald Murray Award, Leitner Fellow, Dean's List (2005-2007), Best Oralist: Wormser Moot Court Competition

Activities: *Fordham Urban Law Journal* (staff editor), Research Assistant to Professors Brian Glick and Bruce Green, Quarterfinalist: Black Law Students Association, Northeast BLSA Mock Trial Competition

B.A. Emory University, Atlanta, GA (2003) Anthropology and English

Awards: National Merit Scholar, Dean's List, Social Entrepreneur Prize, Lambda Alpha Anthropology Honor Society, Phi Eta Sigma College Freshman Honor Society, National Dean's List

Activities: NAACP (president), Racial and Cultural Educational Source (president), Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. (philanthropy chair), *Creative Bipedalism* anthropology journal (editor)

Thesis: *Fallen Angels: An Ethnography of the Hunts Point Chapter of the Bloods Gangs*

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- POLICING SEX, Stanford University Press (2022) (final book manuscript has been approved by the Stanford University faculty and will be submitted to the Press on January 2021 upon completion of minor edits)

Scholarly Articles, Essays, & Book Chapters

- *Reality Porn*, forthcoming in NEW YORK UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW (2021)
 - Selected for 2020 Stanford/Harvard/Yale Junior Faculty Forum
- *Feminist Scripts for Punishment*, forthcoming in HARVARD LAW REVIEW (2021) (reviewing Aya Gruber, THE FEMINIST WAR ON CRIME)
- *Policing Is Not a Good*, forthcoming in GEORGETOWN LAW JOURNAL (2021)
- *The Biopolitics of Maskless Police*, OHIO STATE JOURNAL OF CRIMINAL LAW (2021) (invited symposium)
- Revised Majority Opinion for *Erotic Services Provider Legal Education and Research Project v. Gascon*, REVISED FEMINIST JUDGMENTS: CRIMINAL LAW (Oxford University Press) (2021)
- *On Beauty & Policing*, NORTHWESTERN LAW REVIEW (2020)
 - Reviewed in Racism & Law Blog
 - Reviewed in Anthropoliteia Blog
- *Blue Lives & the Permanence of Racism*, CORNELL LAW REVIEW ONLINE (2020)
- *Harm, Sex, and Consequences*, UTAH LAW REVIEW (2019)
- *Radical Feminist Harms on Sex Workers*, LEWIS & CLARK LAW REVIEW (2018)
- *Policing Sex: The Colonial, Apartheid, and New Democracy Regulation of Sex Work in South Africa*, FORDHAM INTERNATIONAL LAW JOURNAL (2015)
- *Evaluating the Systemic Causes of the School-to-Prison Pipeline*, JOURNAL OF LAW & SOCIETY (2011)
- *Deconstructing the Marginalization of “Underclass” Students: Disciplinary Alternative Education*, UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO LAW REVIEW (2010)
- *Reasonably Predictable: The Reluctance to Embrace Judicial Discretion for Substantial Assistance Departures*, FORDHAM URBAN LAW JOURNAL (2005)

Works In Progress

- *Girls, Assaulted*
- *A First Amendment Theory of Prostitution*
- *The Color of Blame*

Other Writing

- *Beyond Policing*, The Opportunity Agenda (2020) (policy report)
- *Human Rights in State Courts*, The Opportunity Agenda (with Martha F. Davis) (2017)
- *Transforming the System*, The Opportunity Agenda, TransformingtheSystem.org (2016) (policy report)
- *Policing in Schools*, American Civil Liberties Union (with Catherine Y. Kim) (2009) (policy report)

SELECTED HONORS

- Fulbright U.S. Global Scholar (2020-2022)
- Emory University Top 40 Alumni Under 40 (2020)
- Stanford/Harvard/Yale Junior Faculty Forum (2020)
- California Western School of Law Research Award for Extraordinary Scholarship (2020)
- ABA Young Lawyers Division, On the Rise – Top 40 Young Lawyer (2019)
- Andrew W. Mellon Doctoral Fellow in the Humanities (2013-2015)
- Social Sciences Research Council Next Generation African Scholar (2014-2015)

TEACHING INTERESTS

Criminal Procedure Criminal Law, Constitutional Law, Critical Race Theory, Regulation of Vice, Race & the Law, Social Justice Practicum, Race, Media, & the Law, and Feminist Legal Theory.

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

Justice van der Westhuizen, Constitutional Court of South Africa

Law Clerk

August 2010-December 2010

Conducted typical law clerk duties for South Africa's highest court. In addition to these duties, drafted public report on the conditions of two prisons in the Western Cape region of South Africa and a memorandum on the implementation of socioeconomic rights in South Africa.

Honorable Damon J. Keith, United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

Law Clerk

August 2009-August 2010

Conducted the research for all the cases on the "criminal docket." In addition to typical law clerk duties, managed internal docket and conducted other administrative tasks as the "Senior" Law Clerk.

Honorable Robert L. Carter, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York

Law Clerk

September 2007-September 2008

In addition to typical law clerk duties, provided substantial research assistance on a law review article that is available here: *Civil Procedure as a Vindicator of Civil Rights: The Relevance of Conley v. Gibson in the Era of Plausibility Pleading*, 52 HOWARD L. J. 17 (2008).

OTHER LEGAL EXPERIENCE

The Opportunity Agenda

Legal Fellow

Associate Counsel & Robert L. Carter Fellow

New York, NY

July 2017-present

August 2015-June 2017

Served as Associate Counsel for criminal justice matters. Drafted comprehensive report and legal briefs with solutions for reducing incarceration and discriminatory policing that was discussed by Kerry Washington on the *Tonight Show*.

South African Department of Human Settlements

Senior Legal Advisor

Johannesburg, South Africa

January 2013-February 2015

Served as judicial arbitrator and resolved land claims brought pursuant to the Restitution of Land Act on behalf of the South African Department of Land and Rural Development, restoring indigenous land rights to

thousands of indigenous South Africans. Drafted report providing alternatives to evictions in response to unlawful occupations of land on behalf of the South African Department of Human Settlements. Conducted research on the implementation of socioeconomic rights in South Africa.

Legal Resources Centre of South Africa

Researcher

Researched norms governing the right to education in South Africa and assisted in developing a litigation strategy for addressing the inadequate education that is currently being provided by the South African school system.

Johannesburg, South Africa

December 2010-January 2011

American Civil Liberties Union, National Legal Department

Marvin M. Karpatkin Fellow & Racial Justice Attorney

Conducted impact litigation, challenging racially discriminatory policing, overcriminalization in schools, and affirmative action. Drafted a report on the use of police in schools.

New York, New York

September 2008-August 2009

Human Rights Watch

Legal Intern

Provided research assistance for the following report: *Mexico's National Human Rights Commission: A Critical Assessment*, Human Rights Watch, Vol. 2, No. 1(B) (February 2008). Researched human rights abuses by paramilitary groups in Colombia.

New York, New York

January 2007-May 2007

Center for Constitutional Rights

Legal Intern

Researched discriminatory policing and the FBI COINTELPRO program.

New York, New York

August 2006

Hogan and Hartson, LLP

Summer Associate

New York, New York

June 2006-August 2006

Lincoln Square Legal Services

Immigrants' Rights and Advocacy Clinic

Student Attorney

Drafted an amicus brief on the immigration consequences of a criminal conviction for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, which was quoted by the court and adopted in its opinion.

New York, New York

Spring 2007

Federal Litigation Clinic

Student Attorney

Provided criminal defense in federal court and argued on behalf of a *habeas corpus* petitioner in the Southern District of New York; the court agreed with the argument, in part, and requested supplemental briefing.

Spring 2006

Honorable John Gleeson, United States District Court Judge, Eastern District of New York

Judicial Extern

Summer 2005

LAW SCHOOL & LEGAL ACADEMY SERVICE

Faculty Development Committee, Delaware Law School (2020-present)

Co-Chair, ABA Criminal Justice Section Academics Committee (2018-present)

Appointments Committee, California Western School of Law (2019-2020)

Faculty Development and Research Committee, California Western School of Law (2017-2020)

Visiting Professors Appointments Committee, California Western School of Law (2018-2019)

Gender Sideline Symposium Committee, California Western School of Law (2017-2018)

SELECTED EDITORIALS & MEDIA

What Prosecutors Get Wrong About Sex Trafficking, The Voice of San Diego (May 16, 2018).

Trump exploits Parkland shooting by trying to push more kids out of school, Salon (March 21, 2018).

Protecting DACA and Our Dreams, The Opportunity Agenda Blog (September 1, 2017).

Jeff Sessions is stuck in the police work of the past, The Hill (July 19, 2017).

5 policy changes needed in the wake of the Alton Sterling case, The Hill (May 4, 2017).

Trump and Sessions peddle fear instead of solutions to crime, The Hill (Apr. 26, 2017).

Trump shouldn't stop momentum for criminal justice reform, The Hill (Nov. 23, 2016).

Why is Sessions doubling down on a failed drug war?, The Hill (May 12, 2017).

10 Ways to Hold Police Who Kill Blacks Accountable, Ebony (Dec. 9, 2016).

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“Policing Is Not a Good,” Catholic University Columbus School of Law, Faculty Workshop (April 2021).

“Policing Is Not a Good,” Washington & Lee Law School, Faculty Workshop (February 2021).

“Policing Is Not a Good,” University of Baltimore Law School, Faculty Workshop (January 2020).

“Girls, Assaulted,” Academy for Justice-AALS-ABA Criminal Justice Section Academics Committee Workshop, Washington, D.C. (November 12, 2020).

“Policing Is Not a Good,” University of Connecticut Law School, Faculty Workshop (September 2020).

“Girls, Assaulted,” Southern California Criminal Law Professors Workshop (August 2020).

“Girls, Assaulted,” Decarceration Law Professors Papers Workshop (July 2020).

“Girls, Assaulted,” Duke Law School, Culp Colloquium (June 2020).

“The Color of Blame,” Brooklyn Law School, AALS Criminal Justice Section CrimFest, Brooklyn, New York (July 2019).

“Reality Porn,” Penn State Law School, Lutie Lytle Conference, State College, Pennsylvania (June 2019).

“Reality Porn,” Duke Law School, Culp Colloquium, Durham, North Carolina (May 2019).

“Harm, Sex, & Consequences,” Suffolk University College of Law, Faculty Workshop, Boston, Massachusetts (April 2019).

“On Beauty and Policing,” AALS-ABA Criminal Justice Section Academics Committee Workshop, Washington, D.C. (November 1, 2018).

“Blurring the Line Between Prostitution and Pornography,” California Western School of Law Faculty Workshop Series, San Diego, California (September 23, 2018).

Commentator, Southern California Criminal Justice Scholars Workshop, University of California Irvine School of Law (August 2018).

“Blurring the Line Between Prostitution and Pornography,” AALS Criminal Justice Section CrimFest 2018, Cardozo Law School, New York, NY (July 16, 2018).

“On Beauty and Policing,” Lutie Lytle Conference, SMU School of Law, Dallas, Texas (July 13, 2018).

“Harm, Sex, and Consequences,” Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada (June 7-10, 2018).

“Gender Sidelining and Popular Culture,” Gender Sidelining Symposium, California Western School of Law (April 17-18, 2018).

“Policing Sex,” University of Witwatersrand Anthropology Lecture Series, Invited Lecturer, Johannesburg, South Africa (March 20, 2018).

“Harm, Sex, and Consequences,” New England Regional Junior Faculty Workshop, Boston, Massachusetts (February 2, 2018).

“Juveniles, Incarceration, and Constitutional Law,” Invited Panelist, AALS Annual Meeting, San Diego (January 5, 2018).

“Harm, Sex, and Consequences,” AALS-ABA Criminal Justice Section Academics Committee Workshop (November 2, 2017).

“Harm, Sex, & Drugs,” California Western School of Law Faculty Workshop Series San Diego, California (October 2017).

“On Harm and Consequences,” Lutie Lytle Conference, University of Michigan School of Law (July 6- 8, 2017).

“Radical Feminist Harms on Sex Workers,” Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Mexico City, Mexico (June 15-17, 2017).

“On Harms and Consequentialism,” AALS Criminal Justice Section Mid-Year Meeting (June 13-15, 2017).

“White Collar Crime Panel,” CrimFest 2016, Moderator (July 12, 2016).

“Policing Sex,” Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA (June 2-5, 2016).

“Policing Sex,” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Washington D.C. (December 3-7, 2014).

“Policing Sex,” Oxford Human Rights Hub Seminar on Gender, Race and Poverty: addressing multiple identities through law, Sao Paulo, Brazil (November 12-14, 2014).

“Lessons Social Engineering: Understanding the role of lawyer as social architect,” 2014 Society of American Law Teachers Annual Conference, UNLV William S. Boyd School of Law (October 11-13, 2014)

“Whiteness as Property and Overcriminalization,” 2014 UCLA School of Law Critical Race Studies Symposium (October 2-4, 2014).

“On Beauty and Policing,” Curating the Afropolitan City Conference, Wits Centre from Social and Economic Research (August 13, 2014).

“On Beauty and Policing,” Anthropology Southern Africa Annual Conference, Rhodes University, Grahamstown, South Africa (June 30, 2014).

“Policing Sex,” African Centre of Migration Studies Seminar on Sex Work (August 2013).

“Marching Toward Justice exhibit at Columbia Law School,” provided remarks regarding the role of civil rights law in promoting equality, Columbia Law School (October 10, 2012) (Opening Remarks).

“The Constitution Under Attack: Understanding the Continued Relevance of the 14th Amendment under Domestic and International Law,” West Virginia State University (April 14, 2011) (Public Lecture).

“Deconstructing the School-to-Prison Pipeline” Wayne State Journal of Law in Society Symposium, March 25, 2011 (Panel Discussion).

BAR ADMISSIONS

New York, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York.