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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS (DOMESTIC)

Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. 2017 to present
Scott K. Ginsburg Professor of Urban Law and Policy, Law Center
Professor of Public Policy, McCourt School of Public Policy
(Inaugural) Associate Dean for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (Law) (2021-2022)

- *Courses*: Property Law, Land Use Law, State and Local Government Law, Urban Law and Policy, Environmental Justice
- *Leadership/Service*: Inaugural Associate Dean for DEI; Chair, Rank and Tenure Committee (Law); Member, Dean Search Committee (McCourt); Chair, Search Committee, campus-wide Racial Justice Initiative (McCourt)

Fordham University, New York, NY 2002 to 2017
University Professor
Albert A. Walsh Professor of Real Estate, Land Use and Property Law
Vice Dean (2011-2014)
Associate Dean, Academic Affairs (2008-2011)

- *Courses*: Property Law, Urban Lab, Land Use Law, Environmental Law, Antidiscrimination Law, Climate Change Law
- *Leadership/Service (Law)*: Inaugural Vice Dean; Associate Dean for Academics; Chair, Faculty Hiring Committee; Chair, Long-Range Planning Committee

Rutgers University, Camden, NJ 1994 to 2002
Professor of Law

- *Courses*: Tort Law, Environmental Law, Environmental Justice, Race and American Law, Antidiscrimination Law
- *Leadership/Service*: Chair, Faculty Hiring Committee

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS (INTERNATIONAL)

LUISS Guido Carli, Rome, Italy Spring 2021 &
Visiting Professor Fall 2015
GIMPA University, Accra, Ghana July 2018
Faculty, African Center on Law and Ethics
Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, Pisa, Italy Fall 2014
Visiting Professor
Swiss Institute of Comparative Law, Lausanne, Switzerland May to June 2013
Visiting Researcher and Lecturer

University of Paris X (Nanterre), Paris, France <i>Visiting Professor</i>	June 2007 and June 2008
Imperial College, London, England <i>British Academy Visiting Professor</i>	April to June 2004
Karl-Franzens University School of Law, Graz, Austria <i>Visiting Professor</i>	May to June 1999
University of California at Berkeley, School of Law <i>Lecturer and Coordinator of Academic Support</i>	1990 to 1994

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

LabGov, Co-Director Co-founded and co-direct international applied research laboratory with regional outposts in Europe (Italy), U.S. (Washington, D.C.), Latin America (Costa Rica), and Asia (Hong Kong). Supervise Ph. D and postdoc fellows who conduct quantitative and qualitative empirical research. Organize and sponsor workshops and convenings. Advise and work directly with public officials and city agencies to craft and implement innovative policies and projects.	2014 to present
New York City Mayor's Panel on Climate Change (NPCC) Co-Chair Equity Work Group Mayoral appointee to NYC's independent advisory body that synthesizes scientific information on climate change to inform City policy and its ongoing efforts to ensure that all communities are prepared to withstand and emerge stronger from the threat of climate change.	2016 to present
Global Parliament of Mayors, Advisory Committee Chair Chair of Advisory Committee for international network of mayors from all continents. Responsible for coordinating and organizing an international team of urban and governance experts to advise the Executive Committee on the development of the GPM and setting the policy agenda and substantive priorities for the GPM.	2017 to 2020

HONORS AND AWARDS

Prose Award Winner in Architecture and Urban Planning <i>Award for Co-Cities: Innovative Transitions Toward Just and Self-Sustaining Communities</i>	2023
Clarkson Distinguished Chair in Planning <i>University of Buffalo School of Architecture and Planning</i>	2022
Georgetown Earth Commons Institute Eco Impact Award <i>Modeling Energy Democracy in a Federal and Localist System</i>	2022
Steven Goldberg Faculty Service Award <i>Georgetown Law Dean – recognition of extraordinary service</i>	2022
IUCN Distinguished Scholarship Award <i>International Academy of Environmental Law Senior Scholar Award</i>	2018
Georgetown Environmental Initiative Award <i>Seeding Commons Research at Georgetown</i>	2017

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- *Co-Cities: Innovative Transitions Toward Just and Self-Sustaining Communities*, MIT Press, 2022 (with Christian Iaione) (Winner of 2023 Prose Award in Architecture and Urban Planning)
- *The Cambridge Handbook of Commons Research Innovations*, Cambridge University Press, 2021 (with Chrystie Swiney)
- *Comparative Equality and Antidiscrimination Law: Cases, Codes, Constitutions and Commentary*, Edward Elgar Press, 3rd 3d., 2020 (with David Oppenheimer, UC Berkeley, Richard Ford, Stanford; and Sora Han, UC Irvine)
- *The Law of Environmental Justice: Theories and Procedures to Address Disproportionate Risks*, American Bar Association, 2nd ed., 2008 (with Michael B. Gerrard)
- *From the Ground Up: Environmental Racism and the Rise of the Environmental Justice Movement*, New York University Press, 2001 (with Luke Cole)

Journal Articles

- *Can Micropolitan Areas Bridge the Urban/Rural Divide*, 24 *Journal of Theoretical Inquiries in the Law* ____ 2022 (with Clayton Gillette)
- *Innovation and Equality: An Approach to Constructing a Community Governed Network Commons*, *Journal of Responsible Innovation*, 2022 (with Rider W. Foley and Olivier Sylvain)
- *Reimagining and Governing the Commons in an Unequal World: A Critical Engagement*, *Current Research in Environmental Sustainability*, Vol 3: 100102 (2021) (with Prakash Kashwan, Praneeta Mudaliar, and Floriane Clement)
- *The City as a Commons*, 34 *Yale Law and Policy Review* 281 (2016) (with Christian Iaione)
- *Breaking Up Payday: Anti-Agglomeration Zoning and Consumer Welfare*, 75 *Ohio State Law Journal* 57 (2014)
- *The Mobility Case for Regionalism*, 47 *UC Davis Law Review* 63 (2013) (with Nestor Davidson)
- *Collective Action and the Urban Commons*, 87 *Notre Dame Law Review* 57 (2011)
- *Integrative Lawyering: Navigating the Political Economy of Urban Development*, 95 *California Law Review* 1999 (2007) (with Brian Glick)
- *The City as an Ecological Space: Social Capital and Urban Land Use* 82 *Notre Dame Law Review* 527 (2006)
- *Causation in Antidiscrimination Law: Beyond Intent vs. Impact*, 41 *Houston Law Review* 1469 (Spring 2005)

- *The World Trade Organization's Anti-Discrimination Jurisprudence: Free Trade, National Sovereignty and Environmental Health in the Balance*, 15 Georgetown International Environmental Law Journal 633 (2003) (with Ari Afilalo)
- *Environmental Justice in an Era of Devolved Collaboration*, 26 Harvard Environmental Law Review 459 (2002)
- *Intent and Incoherence*, 72 Tulane Law Review 1065 (1998)
- *Justice From the Ground Up: Distributive Inequities, Grassroots Resistance and the Transformative Politics of The Environmental Justice Movement*, 86 California Law Review 775 (1998)
- *Difference and Equality: A Critical Assessment of the Concept of "Diversity"*, 1993 Wisconsin Law Review 105

Journal Essays

- *Infrastructure-Sharing in Cities*, 132 Yale L.J. Forum 440 (2022)
- *The New Urban Commons: Enabling Land and Resource Stewardship in Cities*, 37 Journal of Land Use & Environmental Law ____ (2022) (invited Distinguished Lecture, Florida State University College of Law)
- *Who Owns the City? Public Property and Land Stewardship*, Wolf Family Lecture Series on the American Law of Real Property, University of Florida Levin College of Law, published in Michael Allan Wolf, Powell on Real Property (2020) (LexisNexis Matthew Bender).
- *From Smart Cities to Co-Cities: Emerging Legal and Policy Responses to Urban Vacancy*, 47 Fordham Urban Law Journal 1 (2020) (reprinted in Zoning and Planning Law Handbook, 2021 ed) (with Dan Wu)
- *The Limits of Mobility and the Persistence of Urban Inequality* 127 Yale Law Journal Forum 480, (2017) (invited response to lead article by David Schleicher)
- *Comparative Urban Governance for Lawyers*, 42 Fordham Urban Law Journal 1 (2015) (with Fernanda Nicola) (Symposium Introduction)
- *The Social Function of Property: A Comparative Perspective* (Introduction to Symposium), 80 Fordham Law Review 1003 (2011)
- *Environmental Justice and the Constitution*, News and Analysis, 39 Environmental Law Reporter 10347 (2009) (response)
- *Urban Informality as a Commons Dilemma*, 40 U. Miami Inter-American L.Rev. 261 (2009)
- *From Harlem to Havana: Sustainable Urban Development*, 16 Tulane Environmental Law Journal 783 (2003) (symposium contribution)
- *Race(ial) Matters: The Quest for Environmental Justice*, 20 Ecology Law Quarterly 721 (1994) (book review essay)

Book Chapters

- *Local Initiatives in Global Climate Change and U.S. Law*, American Bar Association, Michael B. Gerrard, Jody Freeman, and Michael Burger, eds., 3rd ed. (2022) (with Chiara Pappalardo)

- *Who Governs? Public, Private, Community, Civic, and Knowledge Actors in Place Governance* in *Hyperlocal: Place Governance in a Fragmented World*, Brookings Institute Press, Jennifer Vey and Nate Storing, eds. (2022)
- *City Networks and The Glocalization of Urban Governance*: in *The Elgar Research Handbook of International Law and Cities* 368-380, Janne Nijman and Helmut Aust, eds. (2021) (with Chrystie Swiney)
- *Bean v. Southwestern Waste Management* in *Critical Race Judgments: Rewritten U.S. Court Opinions on Race and the Law*, Cambridge University Press, Bennet Capers, Devon W. Carbado, R.A. Lenhardt, and Angela Onwuachi-Willig, eds. (2021)
- *Urban Commons, Property and the Right to the City* in *Property Rights From Below: Commodification of Land and the Counter-Movement*, Routledge Press, Balakrishnan Rajagopal and Olivier De Schutter, eds. (2020)
- *City Power and Powerlessness on the Global Stage* in *Urban Futures: Alternative Models for Global Cities*, Barcelona Centre for International Affairs, Eva Garcia Chueca and Lorenzo Vidal, eds. (2019) (with Chrystie Swiney)
- *Ostrom in the City: Design Principles and Tools for the Urban Commons* in *Routledge Handbook of The Study Of The Commons*, Blake Hudson, Jonathan Rosenbloom, Dan Cole, eds. (2019) (with Christian Iaione)
- *Il Diritto e I Beni Comuni Urbani* in *La Co-Città: Diritto Urbano e Politiche Pubbliche Per I Beni Comuni e La Rigenerazione Urbana*, A cura di Paola Chirulli e Christian Iaione, Jovene Editore (2018)
- *Vulnerability, Equality and Environmental Justice* in *Handbook of Environmental Justice*, Routledge Press, Jayajit Chakraborty and Gordon Walker eds. (2017)
- *Human Rights and Climate Change: Building Synergies for a Common Future* in *Climate Change Law*, Elgar Encyclopedia of Environmental Law series, Daniel Farber and Marjan Peeters, eds. (2016) (with Paolo Galizzi)
- *The Racial Subject in Legal Theory* in *Oxford Handbook of Law and Politics*, Keith E. Whittington, R. Daniel Kelemen, Gregory A. Caldeira, eds, Oxford University Press, (2008) (with Robin Lenhardt)
- *Race, Agency, and Equal Protection: A Retrospective on the Warren Court* in *Earl Warren and the Warren Court: A 50 year Retrospect*, Lexington Press (2006)
- *Meeting the Environmental Justice Challenge: Evolving Norms in Environmental Decision making*, 30 *Environmental Law Reporter* 10992 (November 2000).
- *Impact Assessment and Citizen Participation* in *The Law Of Environmental Justice* (2nd Edition) (Michael Gerrard and Sheila Foster, eds. 2008) (ABA)

Other Publications

(Peer-Reviewed Reports)

- *Local Responses to Climate-Forced Displacement & Migration: Uniting Mayors and City Leaders as Global Champions*, Report prepared for the Global Parliament of Mayors and the British Council, June 2021 (with Kamal Amakrane)

- *Urban Commons*, Oxford Bibliographies in Urban Studies New York: Oxford University Press, Richardson Dilworth, ed. (2020) (with Christian Iaione)
- *New York City Panel on Climate Change 2019 Report Chapter 6: Community-Based Assessments of Adaptation and Equity*, Ann. N.Y. Acad. Sci. 1439 (1):126-173 (March 2019) (with Robin Leichenko, Khai Ngyuen, et. al.)
- *New York City Panel on Climate Change 2019 Report Chapter 7: Resilience Strategies for Critical Infrastructures and Their Interdependencies*, Ann. N.Y. Acad. Sci. 1439(1):174-229:126-173 (March 2019) (with Rae Zimmerman, Jorge Gonzalez, et.al.)

(Op-Eds and Media)

- *Why D.C. Should Become Our 51st State*, The Hill, March 21, 2021 (with Meryl Chertoff)
- *Health Justice Is Racial Justice: A Legal Action Agenda For Health Disparities*, Health Affairs, July 2, 2020 (with Yael Cannon Gregg Bloche)
- *The City and State Diplomacy Act in Congress Reflects a New World Order*, CityLab, October 30, 2019 (with Chrystie Swiney)
- *Cities Are Rising in Influence and Power on the Global Stage*, CityLab, April 15, 2019 (with Chrystie Swiney)
- *Paralysis of Nations Is Empowering Cities*, The Hill, December 27, 2019 (with Chrystie Swiney and others)

RECENT (SELECTED) PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES

Speaker, University of Pennsylvania Andrea Mitchell Center’s *Democracy and Emergent Technology* series, November 17, 2022

Panelist, *Climate Risks, Impacts, and Resilience*, Resources for the Future Summit on Net Zero Economy, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, Washington DC, October 20, 2022

Paper Presentation, *Can Micropolitan Areas Bridge the Urban/Rural Divide*, Regionalism: Shifting Scales Beyond Cities and States conference, Tel Aviv University, June 16, 2022

Speaker, *How Cities are Paving the Way for a Just Energy Transition*, Norman Foster Foundation Energy Workshop, Madrid, Spain April 25, 2022

Panelist Presentation, UN HABITAT Urban Law Day (with North-West University, CLES and the University of the Witwatersrand), *Rebuilding a More Just, Climate Resilient and Equitable Urban Future for All: The Role of Law*, October 28, 2021 (online)

Panelist Presentation, *Localism Without Borders*, UK Labour Foreign Policy Group, June 3, 2021 (online)

Keynote Speaker and Opening Panel Chair, Opening Session: *LabGov and the “Praxis” of the Urban Commons*, IASC Conference on the Urban Commons, May 6, 2021 (online)

Keynote Address, *The New Era of Glocalism*, 15th International Karl Polanyi Conference on “The Role of the State in the post-COVID 21st Century,” April 24, 2021 (online)

Featured Speaker, *The Co-Cities Project*, Cities@Tufts Virtual Colloquium, April 7, 2021 (online)

Paper Presentation, Faculty Workshop, *Revisiting Place Governance*, Texas A&M School of Law, March 31, 2021 (online)

Panelist Presentation, *Environmental Justice: Lessons From History And A Look To The Future*, Resources for the Future and Urban Institute Series on Environmental Justice, March 24, 2021 (online)

Distinguished Lecture, *Mapping the New Urban Commons: Land and Resource Stewardship in the City*, Invited Spring 2021 Distinguished Lecture, Florida State University College of Law, February 24, 2021 (online)

Distinguished Lecture, *Co-Cities: Reimagining the City as a Commons*, Sylvester Baxter Lecture Series, Harvard University Graduate School of Design, November 19, 2020 (online)

Plenary Address, *The New Era of Glocalism, Democracy Beyond the Nation State*, Pardee Center for the Study of the Longer-Range Future, Boston University, October 28, 2020 (online)

Keynote Speaker, *Who Owns the City?*, Festival of the Future City, Bristol UK, October 16, 2019

Distinguished Lecture, *Who Owns the City? Public Property and Polycentric Governance*. Wolf Family Lecture on Real Property Law, University of Florida Levin College of Law, February 21, 2019

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Member , Presidential Committee to Study the Importance of Student Body Diversity, Georgetown University	2019 to 2021
Member , Dean Search Committee, Georgetown McCourt School of Public Policy	2017 to 2018
Executive Council , Int'l Association for Study of the Commons	2017 to 2019
Advisory Committee , NYU Marron Institute for Urban Management	2016 to 2019
Board Member, Environmental Law Institute	2013 to 2016
Member , Aspen Institute Working Group on Urban Innovation	2013 to 2015
Member , AALS Committee on Professional Development	2014 to 2016
Chair , AALS Planning Committee for 2013 Workshop	2012 to 2013
Advisory Board , Next American City	2007 to 2009
New York City Board of Directors , American Constitution Society	2009 to 2011
Founding Member Scholar , Center for Progressive Reform	2002 to 2004
Committee on Legal Education , New York State Bar Association	2008 to 2010
Board of Directors , NYC Environmental Leadership Institute	2006 to 2008
Environmental Law Subcommittee , New York City Bar Association	2002 to 2005

EDUCATION

J.D. University of California, Berkeley

B.S. University of Michigan, English (Honors)

LANGUAGES

English (Native); **Spanish** (Advanced), **Italian** (Intermediate)