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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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### **Texas A&M University School of Law**, Fort Worth, Texas

Associate Professor of Law 2020–*present*

Courses: Constitutional Law (F23, S22); First Amendment (F23, S22, S21); Criminal Procedure (S21); Internet Law (F20)

### **Drexel University, Thomas R. Kline School of Law**, Philadelphia, PA

Assistant Professor of Law 2018–2020

Courses: Internet Law (S19, S20); First Amendment (F18, F19); Criminal Procedure (S20)

### **Yale Law School**, New Haven, CT

Clinical Lecturer in Law & Stanton Foundation First Amendment Fellow 2016–2018

Course: Media Freedom & Information Access Clinic (F16, S17, F17, S18)

## EDUCATION

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### **New York University School of Law**, New York, NY

J.D. 2013

Institute of Int'l Law & Justice/Law & Security Scholar, *full tuition merit scholarship*  
Journal of International Law and Politics, Senior Articles Editor  
Member, Privacy Research Group

### **University of Texas at Austin**, Austin, TX

B.A., History and Plan II Honors, *High Honors* 2009

Dean's Distinguished Graduate, College of Liberal Arts (top 12 students in class)  
Phi Beta Kappa, early election

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

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### *Policing Press Freedom*

Knight First Amendment Institute at Columbia University Essay Series on the Future of Press Freedom (forthcoming 2024)

### *The Rise, Fall, and Rise of Cyber Civil Libertarianism* (book chapter) (anonymous peer review)

FEMINIST CYBERLAW (Amanda Levendowski & Meg Leta Jones eds., UC Press, forthcoming)

## PUBLICATIONS

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### *The Promise and Perils of Tech Whistleblowing*

118 NW. U. L. REV. 1503 (2024)

- Selected through anonymous review for 2023 Privacy Law Scholars Conference

*The Ideology of Press Freedom*

14 U.C. IRVINE L. REV. 1 (2024)

- Selected through anonymous review for 2023 Harvard/Yale/Stanford Junior Faculty Forum
- Selected through anonymous review for 2021 Media Law & Policy Scholars Conference

*A Public Technology Option*

86 L. & CONTEMP. PROBS. 223 (2023)

*Algorithmic Governance from the Bottom Up*

48 B.Y.U. L. REV. 69 (2022)

- Selected through anonymous review for 2021 Privacy Law Scholars Conference
- Selected through anonymous review for 2021 Michigan Law Junior Scholars Conference

*Content Moderation as Surveillance*

36 BERKELEY J. L. & TECH. 1297 (2021)

*Visible Policing: Technology, Transparency, and Democratic Control*

109 CALIF. L. REV. 917 (2021)

- Selected through anonymous review for 2020 Stanford/Harvard/Yale Junior Faculty Forum

*Automation in Moderation*

53 CORNELL INT'L L.J. 41 (2020)

- Reviewed in Annemarie Bridy, [Moderation's Excess](#), JOTWELL (2020)

*Access to Algorithms*

88 FORDHAM L. REV. 1265 (2020)

- Winner, SEALS Annual Meeting Call-For-Papers Award (2020)
- Reviewed in Tom Simmons, [Medicaid Algorithmic Opacity and a Transparent Solution](#), JOTWELL (2020)

*Global Platform Governance: Private Power in the Shadow of the State*

72 SMU L. REV. 27 (2019)

- Featured on [Ipse Dixit](#) podcast

*Exposing Secret Searches: A First Amendment Right of Access to Electronic Surveillance Orders*

93 WASH. L. REV. 145 (2018)

*Process Without Procedure: National Security Letters and First Amendment Rights*

39 SUFFOLK U. L. REV. 367 (2016)

*Confronting Totalitarianism at Home: The Roots of European Privacy Protections*

40 BROOK. INT'L L.J. 749 (2015)

*Global Governance in the Information Age: The Terrorist Finance Tracking Program*

Note, 45 N.Y.U. J. INT'L L. & POL. 595 (2012)

## BOOK CHAPTERS AND SHORTER WORKS

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### *Transparency's AI Problem*

Knight First Amendment Institute at Columbia University and Law and Political Economy  
Project's Essay Series on Data and Democracy (2021)

### *Transparency After Carpenter*

59 WASHBURN L.J. 23 (2020)

## GRANTS

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Principal Investigator, Knight Foundation, \$65,000 2022–2023  
*One-year grant to support scholarly research on tech whistleblowers and algorithmic transparency.*

## HONORS, AWARDS, & OTHER AFFILIATIONS

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Member, School of Social Science, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton 2024–25

Fellow, Weizenbaum Institute for the Networked Society, Berlin 2022  
*One-month visiting fellowship in residence with the Democracy and Digitalization research group.*

Affiliated Scholar, NYU School of Law Policing Project 2020–present

Affiliate Fellow, Yale Law School Information Society Project 2018–present

Non-Resident Fellow, Center for Democracy and Technology 2019–2023

Fellow, Alexander von Humboldt Institut für Internet und Gesellschaft 2020

Seminar Participant, Tech, Law, & Society Summer Institute, UC Irvine 2018

Seminar Participant, German Council on Foreign Relations, 17<sup>th</sup> Annual International Summer  
School, Berlin 2013

German Academic Exchange Service Graduate Study Scholarship, Free University of Berlin &  
Ludwig-Maximilian University, Munich 2009–2010

## SERVICE TO TEXAS A&M

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Texas A&M Law School Faculty Appointments Committee 2022–23

Texas A&M Law School Admissions & Recruitment Committee 2021–22, 2023–24

Texas A&M Law School Library & Technology Committee 2020–21

## SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

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Electronic Privacy Information Center, *Advisory Board Member* (2022–present)

American Law Institute/European Law Institute, Principles of the Law, Data Economy, *Advisor* (2018–21)

American Bar Association, National Security & Civil Liberties Committee, *Vice-Chair* (2020–present)

Association of American Law Schools, Section on Defamation and Privacy, *Executive Committee Member* (2020–present)

Association of American Law Schools, Section on Internet & Computer Law, *Chair* (2022–23), *Chair-Elect* (2021–22), *Executive Committee Member* (2020–21)

Association of American Law Schools, Section on Communication, Media, & Information Law, *Chair* (2023–24), *Chair-Elect* (2022–23), *Secretary* (2021–22)

Reviewer: Yale University Press; NYU Press; Cambridge University Press; Big Data & Society; Law & Policy; WASH. L. REV.; YALE L.J.; Communication Law & Policy

## SELECTED ADVOCACY

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Brief of Amici Curiae Law Professors in Opposition to Defendant’s Motion to Dismiss, *ACLU v. Clearview AI, Inc.*, Case No. 2020-CH-04353 (Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois filed Nov. 2, 2020)

Testimony before a Hearing of the New Jersey Assembly Science, Innovation and Technology Committee regarding Bill A1210 (requires public hearing prior to use of facial recognition technology by law enforcement agency) (Feb. 3, 2020)

Brief of Amici Curiae First and Fourth Amendment Scholars in Support of Petitioners-Appellants, *Leopold v. United States*, No. 18-5276 (D.C. Cir. filed Jan. 25, 2019)

Brief of Amici Curiae Floyd Abrams Institute for Freedom of Expression and First Amendment Scholars, in Support of the Parties Under Seal, *In re National Security Letter*, Nos. 16-16067, 16-16081, 16-16082, 16-16090 (9th Cir. filed Sept. 26, 2016) (with John Langford and Jonathan Manes)

## SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

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*Governing By, Through, and With Technology*  
Access & Accountability Conference, Yale Law School, October 2023 (*keynote*)

*The Ideology of Press Freedom*  
Yale/Harvard/Stanford Junior Faculty Forum, June 2023  
Media Law & Policy Scholars Conference, Jan. 2022

*The Promise and Perils of Tech Whistleblowing*  
Civil Liberties and Civil Rights in a Digital Age Seminar, Fordham Law School, October 2023  
Colloquium Privacy Law Scholars Conference, June 2023  
Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, April 2023

Scholarship Retreat, Texas A&M School of Law, Dec. 2022

*A Public Technology Option*

IP Scholars Roundtable, Texas A&M School of Law, Nov. 2022

L. & Contemp. Probs. Symposium, Sept. 2022

Information Law Institute Fellows Workshop, NYU Law, Sept. 2022

*Public-Private Platforms*

Yale Law School Information Society Project, Sept. 2022

Digital Life Initiative Workshop, Cornell Tech, Sept. 2022

*Algorithmic Governance from the Bottom Up*

Future of Technology and Society Discussion Group, Faculty of Law, University of Oxford,  
Mar. 2023

Law, Legal Institutions, and Technological Change Conference, University of Wisconsin,  
Apr. 2022

Tech Colloquium, Georgetown, Mar. 2022

Duke L.J. Symposium, Feb. 2022

Scholarship Retreat, Texas A&M School of Law, Dec. 2021

Privacy Law Scholars Conference, June 2021

Michigan Law Junior Scholars Conference, Apr. 2021

Yale Law School Information Society Project, Jan. 2021

*Content Moderation as Surveillance*

Knight Institute at Columbia Speaker Series, Oct. 2022

Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, Yale Law School, Apr. 2021

Berkeley Tech. L.J. Symposium, Apr. 2021

PlatGov, Mar. 2021

18<sup>th</sup> Annual Works-in-Progress Intellectual Property Colloquium, Feb. 2021

*Transparency's AI Problem*

Scholarship Retreat, Texas A&M School of Law, November 2020

Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, Yale Law School, October 2020

Knight Institute Data & Democracy Symposium, Columbia University, October 2020

AI Regulation Seminar, McGill University, June 2020

Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, Seventh Annual Conference  
on Governance of Emerging Technologies & Science, May 2019

Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, May 2019

Internet Law Scholars Work-In-Progress Conference, Mar. 2019

*Visible Policing*

Dispute Resolution Works-in-Progress Consortium, Quinnipiac School of Law, Jan. 2021

Texas A&M Faculty Workshop, Sept. 2020

Cardozo Faculty Workshop, Sept. 2020

Stanford/Harvard/Yale Junior Faculty Forum, July 2020

Drexel University Kline School of Law Faculty Workshop, Feb. 2020

Governance & Privacy Workshop, Univ. of Denver Sturm College of Law, Sept. 2019

Southeastern Association of Law Schools, July 2019

CrimFest, July 2019

Privacy Law Scholars Conference, May 2018

*Automation in Moderation*

Yale Law School Information Society Project, Oct. 2019

Penn State Law School, Faculty Workshop, Sept. 2019

Cornell Int'l L.J. Symposium, Mar. 2019

*Access to Algorithms*

Southeastern Association of Law Schools, July 2020

Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, Apr. 2019

Pace Law School Faculty Workshop, Apr. 2019

Hofstra University Maurice Deane School of Law IP Colloquium, Nov. 2018

Yale Law School Information Society Project, Nov. 2018

Mid-Atlantic Junior Faculty Forum, May 2018

Artificial Intelligence and the Law Conference, Seton Hall Law School, Apr. 2018

*Global Platform Governance: Private Power in the Shadow of the State*

AALS New Voices in National Security Law, Jan. 2019

Amsterdam Privacy Conference, Oct. 2018

Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, Apr. 2018

Internet Law Scholars Work-In-Progress Conference, Mar. 2018

All Things in Moderation: The People, Practices and Politics of Online Content Review –  
Human and Machine, UCLA, Dec. 2017

*Exposing Secret Searches: The First Amendment Right of Access to Electronic Surveillance Orders*

Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, Apr. 2017

Internet Law Scholars Work-In-Progress Conference, Mar. 2016

*Beyond Standing: Surveillance and Press Freedom*

TPRC | 43rd Research Conference on Communications, Information and Internet Policy,  
Sept. 2015

Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, May 2015

Internet Law Scholars Work-In-Progress Conference, Mar. 2015

OTHER PANELS AND CONFERENCES

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Panelist, *Regulating Information Platforms*

Northwestern Pritzker School of Law San Francisco, Feb. 2023

Moderator, *The Internet of War*

Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, Jan. 2023

Panelist, *Transparency's Tradeoffs*

Silicon Flatirons, Transparency and the Tech Sector, Nov. 2022

Discussant, *Emerging Technology's Language Wars*

University of Pennsylvania Journal of Law & Innovation Symposium, Jan. 2022

Panelist, *Platform Governance: Trust and Transparency*

NYU Digital Interests Lab/Yale Law School Information Society Project, Dec. 2021

Moderator, *Algorithm Panel*

Texas A&M Law Review Symposium, Mar. 2021

Panelist, *Transparency of Policing Technology*

Technology, Media, & Privacy Law Conference, University of Florida Levin College of Law,  
Mar. 2021

Panelist, *A.I. & Criminal Justice*

Denver Law Review Symposium, Feb. 2021

Panelist, *Surveillance and Security*

Access & Accountability Conference, Yale Law School, Oct. 2020

Panelist, *Internet Platforms and the Governance of Algorithms*

Yale Law School Paul Tsai China Center, Sept. 2020

Panelist, *Social Media Content Moderation and the Future of Free Speech*

Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, Jan. 2020

Moderator, *The First Amendment and the Press in the Digital Age*

Drexel Law Review Symposium, Nov. 2019

Panelist, *Regulating Social Media*

Harvard Journal on Legislation Symposium, Nov. 2019

Panelist, *Social Media and the Threats of Disinformation*

Lee E. Teitelbaum Utah Law Review Symposium, Oct. 2019

Organizer, *Automation & Accountability: Governance in the Age of Algorithms*

Drexel University Thomas R. Kline School of Law, Sept. 2019

Panelist, *Law & Political Economy of Technology*

Association for the Promotion of Political Economy & Law Workshop, University of  
Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law, June 2019

Panelist, *Predictive Crime Analytics: Law Enforcement & National Security in the Age of Big Data*

Technology, Media, & Privacy Law Conference, University of Florida Levin College of Law,  
Apr. 2019

Panelist, *Regulating Internet Content in the United States and Europe: A Comparative Approach*

International Law Review Symposium, Loyola University Chicago, Feb. 2019

Panelist, *Secrecy and Accountability in the Age of Algorithms*

Trade Secrets Institute Symposium, Brooklyn Law School, Feb. 2018

Panelist, *Law Enforcement Accountability*

Access & Accountability Conference, Yale Law School, Oct. 2018

Panelist, *Nuts and Bolts of FOIA Litigation*

Progressive Litigation Roundtable FOIA Training, July 2017

Moderator, *Promoting Law Enforcement Accountability Through Access to Information*

RebLaw, Feb. 2017

Panelist, *De-Identifying Video From Body Worn Cameras: Balancing Privacy and Public Accountability*

Computers, Freedom, and Privacy Conference, Oct. 2015

Panelist, *Legal, Technical, and Policy Challenges Facing Journalists: A Primer and Path Forward*

Investigative Reporters and Editors Conference, June 2015

Moderator, *Real-World Encryption Problems*

News Organizations and Digital Security Conference, Nov. 2014

*States of Emergency, Human Rights and the Arab Uprisings*

17th Annual International Summer School, German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP),  
Aug. 2013

*When Domestic Norms Meet International Law: The Failure of Constructivism at Guantanamo Bay*

Southern Political Science Association Annual Convention, Jan. 2011

## POPULAR MEDIA

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*Can Whistleblowing Save Tech?* Lawfare (2023)

*Alternative Channels for Police Transparency*, Lawfare (2021)

*Why Police Love the Idea of Automated Content Moderation*, Slate (2020)

*A lawsuit against ICE reveals the danger of government-by-algorithm*, The Washington Post (2020)

*The NYPD's Misguided War on Waze*, Slate (2019)

*Terrorist Speech and Global Platform Governance*, Balkinization (2018)

*The Police Can Search Your Email Without Telling You. That's Nuts*, Vox (2017)

*Will Trump Kill Executive War Powers?* The Outline (2017)

*New Disclosures Reflect NSLs' Substantive First Amendment Flaws*, Just Security (2016)

*Why does a FISA court decide if Twitter can talk about its dealings with FISA?* The Guardian (2015)  
(with Bruce Brown)

*How New York City Buses Are Becoming Vehicles for Hateful Speech*, Gawker (2015)



*Texas Will Tread on Your Confederate License Plate*, Gawker (2015)

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WORK EXPERIENCE

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**Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press**, Washington, D.C.

Stanton Foundation National Security Fellow

2014–2016

**Baker Botts, LLP**, Houston, TX

Litigation Associate

2013–2014

Summer Associate

2012

**Electronic Frontier Foundation**, San Francisco, CA

Legal Intern

2012

**Legal Aid Society – Criminal Defense Practice**, New York, NY

Legal Intern

2011

**The Brookings Institution**, Washington, D.C.

Research Assistant to Benjamin Wittes

2011

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BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

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Texas (2013) (*inactive*)

District of Columbia (2016)

United States District Court for the District of Columbia (2016)

United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (2014)

United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit (2014) (*inactive*)