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EMPLOYMENT

Seton Hall Law School, Newark, NJ

Associate Professor of Law 2020 – Present

- **Honors:** Faculty Teacher of the Year (2021-22)
- **Committees:** Appointments (2021-present); LEO Advisory Board (2020-21); Dean’s Diversity and Equity (2020-21); Academic Credentials (2020-21)

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York, Brooklyn, NY

Law Clerk, The Honorable Jack B. Weinstein 2019 - 2020

Howard University School of Law, Washington, DC

Inaugural Thurgood Marshall Law Teaching Fellow 2018 - 2019

Southern Poverty Law Center, Jackson, MS

Legal Fellow, Children’s Rights and Criminal Justice Group 2017 - 2018

EDUCATION

The University of Chicago Law School

J.D., 2017

Activities: Criminal and Juvenile Justice Project; Civil Rights and Police Accountability Clinic; Academic Affairs Chair, Black Law Students Association

Rutgers University, New Brunswick

B.A. in Economics; B.A. in Africana Studies, 2012
(conferred with highest honors)

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Torts, Race and Law, Civil Rights, Critical Race Theory, Federal Courts, Constitutional Law

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Neither Cops Nor Caseworkers: Transforming Family Policing Through Participatory Budgeting, 104 BOSTON UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW__ (forthcoming 2024)

“Specializing” Section 1983, 14 U.C. IRVINE LAW REVIEW__ (forthcoming 2024)

Policing as Assault, 111 CALIFORNIA LAW REVIEW 865 (2023)

Nickels and Dimes? Rethinking the Imposition of Special Assessment Fees on Indigent Defendants, 99

NORTH CAROLINA LAW REVIEW 1477 (2021)

- “Recommended” by Fines & Fees Justice Center

Help Me to Find My Children: A Thirteenth Amendment Challenge to Family Separation, 17 STANFORD JOURNAL OF CIVIL RIGHTS & CIVIL LIBERTIES 133 (2021)

- Featured on “Divided Families” Podcast
- Featured on Immigration Prof. Blog

No Child Left Behind?: An Interest Convergence Roadmap to the U.S. Ratification of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, 76 N.Y.U. ANN. SURV. AM. L. _ (2021) (lead article)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Local Government Reparations
Unclean Forfeitures

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Panelist, *Section 1983 and Police Use of Force: Building a Civil Justice Framework*, California Law Review Symposium, Berkeley, CA April 2023

“Specializing” Section 1983, presented at:

- 12th Annual Junior Faculty Fed. Courts Workshop, Gainesville, FL Dec. 2022

Policing as Assault, presented at:

- ClassCrits XIII Conference: Unlocking Race & Class, Houston, TX October 2022
- Seton Hall Law School Faculty Workshop (Virtual) June 2022
- Villanova Law School Faculty Workshop (Virtual) March 2022

Keynote, *On Becoming a Lawyer*, Seton Hall Law Orientation, Newark, NJ August 2022

Presenter, *Police Accountability and Qualified Immunity*, Seton Hall Law Social Justice Summer Series (Virtual) July 2022

Presenter, *Race, Rights, and Remedies*, Princeton Legal Journal Speaker Series May 2022

Panelist, *Reparations: Continuing the Fight for Economic Justice*, NJPAC (Virtual) June 2021

Panelist, *Systemic Racism in the Law*, Hudson County Bar Association (Virtual) Feb 2021

Presenter, Seton Hall Law School Faculty Workshop (Virtual) July 2020
Help Me to Find My Children: A Thirteenth Amendment Challenge to Family Separation

Examining the Viability of Trademark Registrations involving the N-word in the Wake of Matal v. Tam, presented at:

- 10th Annual John Mercer Langston Workshop, Washington, D.C. July 2019
- New York University Law Race and IP Conference, New York, NY April 2019
- Howard University School of Law Faculty Colloquium, Washington, D.C. March 2019

Presenter, *No Child Left Behind?: An Interest Convergence Roadmap to the U.S. Ratification of the Convention on the Rights of the Child*, The Hague, Netherlands June 2019

Presenter, *Bars and Budgets: An Overview of Criminal Justice Reform in Illinois*, Cook County Bar Association Criminal Justice Symposium, Chicago, Illinois April 2017

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Legal Assistance Foundation, Chicago, IL
Public Interest Law Initiative Intern 2016 - 2017

American Civil Liberties Union, Chicago, IL
Public Interest Law Initiative Intern and Research Assistant 2016 - 2017

Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson, LLP, New York, NY
Summer Associate Summer 2015

The University of Lucerne School of Law, Lucerne, Switzerland
International Human Rights Fellow Summer 2014

New York City Teaching Fellows, Bronx, New York
Special Education and Math Teacher 2012 - 2013

MEDIA APPEARANCES

upEND Podcast, August 2023 (discussing abolition of family policing through the lens of enslavement)

Divided Families Podcast, January 2022 (discussing family separation in the context of the Biden Administration)

ABC News, March 2019 (provided legal commentary on the implications of the Jussie Smollett case on the prosecution of hate crimes)

ACADEMIC SERVICE

AALS Section on Children and the Law, *Executive Committee* (2021-present)

AALS Section on Civil Rights Law, *Executive Committee* (2021-present)