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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS (DOMESTIC)

Columbia University, New York, NY August 1, 2024 to present
Professor, Climate School; Law School (affiliated)

- *Courses*: Climate Justice; Climate Law and Policy; Environmental Justice; Energy Justice

Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. 2017 to 2024

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, State and Local Government Law, Urban Law and Policy
- *Leadership/Service*: Inaugural Associate Dean for DEI; Chair, Inclusion Council (Law); Chair, Rank and Tenure Committee (Law); Member, Dean Search Committee (McCourt); Chair, Search Committee, campus-wide Racial Justice Initiative (McCourt); Member, Presidential Committee to study the Importance of student body diversity, Lead, City Diplomacy Project @ Global Cities Initiative

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 <i>Visiting Professor</i>	Spring 2021 & Fall 2015
GIMPA University , Accra, Ghana <i>Faculty, African Center on Law and Ethics</i>	July 2018
Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna , Pisa, Italy <i>Visiting Professor</i>	Fall 2014
Swiss Institute of Comparative Law , Lausanne, Switzerland <i>Visiting Researcher and Lecturer</i>	May to June 2013
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) <i>Co-Chair Equity Work Group</i> 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
Journal of Climate Resilience and Climate Justice <i>Founding Board Member and Co-Editor</i> Member of inaugural advisory board to start an online, open access resource providing research reports, case studies, essays, and opinions from the working edge of the climate resilience and climate justice fields written in a non-technical, digestible, and educational style for a broad audience. Published by MIT Press in partnership with the Masters of the Environment program (MENV) at the University of Colorado Boulder.	2022 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

Norman Foster Institute on Sustainable Cities, Academic Body Member 2024-present
 Appointed as part of an Academic Body that will lead the Institute’s Program on Sustainable Cities which began Madrid in January 2024. The NFI is a center dedicated to promoting a sustainable and visionary approach to the development of cities worldwide. Led by Norman Foster, President of the Norman Foster Foundation.

HONORS AND AWARDS

American College of Environmental Lawyers (ACOEL) <i>Elected Fellow</i>	2024
American Energy Society’s Best Book on the Commons <i>Award for Co-Cities Book</i>	2024
Prose Award Winner in Architecture and Urban Planning <i>Award for Co-Cities Book</i>	2023
Clarkson Distinguished Chair in Planning <i>University of Buffalo School of Architecture and Planning</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
British Academy Visiting Professor <i>Host, Imperial College London</i>	2004
Walter Rand Institute for Public Affairs, Rutgers University <i>Faculty Fellow</i>	1999
Christian R. & Mary F. Lindback Foundation <i>Minority Junior Faculty Award</i>	2000
Center For The Critical Analysis of Contemporary Culture <i>Faculty Fellow</i>	1997

GRANTS

Georgetown Earth Commons Institute Eco Impact Award <i>Modeling Energy Democracy in a Federal and Localist System</i>	2022
JPMorgan Chase Advancing Cities Competition Winner <i>Co-Cities Baton Rouge</i>	2020
National Science Foundation Smart and Connected Communities <i>A Novel Architecture for Secure Energy Efficient Community-Edge-Clouds with Application in Harlem</i>	2018
Georgetown Environmental Initiative Impact Grant <i>Seeding Commons Research at Georgetown</i>	2017
Rockefeller Foundation Bellagio Residency Grant <i>Accelerating Citywide Civic Engagement in North America: An Exercise in the Co-City Approach (LabGov)</i>	2017
Ford Foundation Grants: Camden Redevelopment Project (2003); International Environmental Justice Project (2005-2006)	

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 and Winner of American Energy Society's Best Book on the Commons)
- 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

- *A Multi-hazard Climate, Displacement and Socio-vulnerability Score for New York City*, 16 Sustainability 42 (2024) (with Marco Tedesco, Ana Baptista, Casey Zuzak)
- *Can Micropolitan Areas Bridge the Urban/Rural Divide*, 24 Journal of Theoretical Inquiries in the Law 93 (2023) (with Clayton Gillette)
- *Innovation and Equality: An Approach to Constructing a Community Governed Network Commons*, 9 Journal of Responsible Innovation, 49 (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 101 (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)
- *Meeting the Environmental Justice Challenge: Evolving Norms in Environmental Decision making*, 30 Environmental Law Reporter 10992 (November 2000).
- *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

- *Seeing Like a Chocolate City: Reimagining Detroit's Future Through Its Past*, 75 Stanford Law Review Online (2022-2023) (Book Review symposium)
- *Infrastructure-Sharing in Cities*, 132 Yale L.J. Forum 440 (2022) (Post-Pandemic Cities symposium)
- *The New Urban Commons: Enabling Land and Resource Stewardship in Cities*, 37 Journal of Land Use & Environmental Law 1-30 (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)
- *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)

- *New York City Panel on Climate Change Report: Advancing Climate Justice in Climate Adaptation Strategies for New York City*, Ann. N.Y. Acad. Sci. 2024 Aug 19. doi: 10.1111/nyas.15148 (with Ana Baptista , Khai Nguyen , Jack Tchen, Marco Tedesco)
- *The City as an Enabler of Urban Co-governance in Democracy and the Life of Cities*, Research Report, Chicago Council on Global Affairs, May 2023 (eds. Samuel Kling, Florita Gunasekara, Steven Bosacker)
- *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.)

(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)
- *A Mayoral Network for Pandemic Preparedness*, Global Policy Journal, June 21, 2018 (with Rebecca Katz, Matthew R. Boyce, Ryan Morhard, John T. Monahan, and Robert Muggah)

RECENT (SELECTED) PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES

Co-Cities Book Talks (excluding podcasts):

- Commons, Commoning, and Social Change workshop, School for Environment and Sustainability (SEAS), University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, November 11, 2023
- Remaking Cities Institute, Carnegie Mellon Institute, October 24, 2023
- Hauser Global Law School Program and Guarini Center on Environmental, Energy and Land Use Law at New York University, April 13, 2023
- Municipal Arts Society of New York, April 3, 2023
- Brookings Metro, March 9, 2023

Invited Lecture, *The State and Local Law Landscape for Climate Justice*, University of Michigan Law School's Environment and Energy Law Program, Ann Arbor, MI, October 23, 2024

Invited Lecture, *Environmental and Climate Justice in Global Cities*, Norman Foster Institute on Sustainable Cities, Madrid, Spain, February 13, 2024

Featured Speaker, *The City as Commons: Planning Urban Climate Justice*, Climate Museum, New York, NY, November 20, 2023

Keynote Speaker, *Housing Disparity and Climate Inequality*, Southern Unity for Racial Justice and Equity Summit, Sponsored by Partnership for Southern Equity, Memphis, TN, October 6, 2023

Keynote Speaker, 135th Jubilee Conference, Katalys Foundation (formerly KNHM foundation), Amsterdam, Netherlands, September 13, 2023

Featured Speaker, *Exploring a World of Place-based Governance Frameworks*, Urban Thinkers Campus, UN Habitat's World Urban Campaign, hosted by Georgetown University, September 8, 2023 (virtual convening)

Panelist, Session on *Displacement in NYC: Making Room for our Neighbors*, At What Point Managed Retreat?: Habitability and Mobility in an Era of Climate Change Conference, Columbia University, June 23, 2023

Speaker, Session on *Climate Justice: Unpacking coloniality, gender, race, class, Indigeneity and climate migration*, International School for Climate Migration, June 19, 2023 (Zoom)

Featured Speaker, *Lecture Series*, Environment, Energy & Natural Resources (EENR) Center at the University of Houston Law Center, June 8, 2023 (Zoom)

Speaker, *Workshop on Racial Capitalism and Climate Justice*, University of Wisconsin, Madison, April 14, 2023

Speaker, *From Climate Equity to Climate Justice*, U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) Natural Resources and Environment Division, March 30, 2023

Speaker, Fordham Urban Law Journal Symposium, *Building a Greener Future Through Urban Sustainability*, Fordham University School of Law, February 10, 2023

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

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

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

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

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

Board Member , Institute for Policy Integrity, New York University	2023 to present
Board Member , Tishman Center Environment & Design Center, The New School	2023 to present
Member , Steering Committee, EPA Region 2 Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Center (TCTAC)	2023 to present
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
Chair , AALS Section on State and Local Government	2014 to 2015
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** (Advanced Intermediate)