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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

### **Marquette University Law School, Milwaukee, WI**

*Associate Professor of Law* (with tenure), 2023 –

*Assistant Professor of Law*, 2017 – 2023

Courses: Torts, Evidence, Insurance, Products Liability, Seminar: Current Problems  
in Tort Law

Awards: James D. Ghiardi Award for Teaching Excellence (2021, 2026)

### **Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, DC**

*Georgetown Law Research Fellow*, 2015 — 2017

*Adjunct Professor*, Tort Theory, 2017

## EDUCATION

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

J.D., 2011

*Columbia Law Review*, Articles Editor

James Kent Scholar, 2009 – 2010

Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar, 2008 – 2009; 2010 – 2011

Research Assistant, Prof. Robert Ferguson

### **Harvard University, Cambridge, MA**

A.B., *cum laude*, History of Art and Architecture, 2006

## SCHOLARSHIP

*Lessons from the First Autonomous Vehicle Trial* in RESEARCH HANDBOOK ON PRODUCTS  
LIABILITY LAW (Timothy S. Kaye, ed., 2027) (in progress)

*How to Raise a City: Galveston and the Challenge of Climate Change Adaptation* (in progress)

[PRODUCTS LIABILITY AND SAFETY: CASES AND MATERIALS](#) (9th ed. 2026) (with David Owen and  
Mary Davis)

[The Opioid Litigation's Challenge for Tort Theory](#), 90 BROOKLYN LAW REVIEW 1103 (2025)

[The Duty to Warn in the Age of Automation](#), 110 KENTUCKY LAW JOURNAL 469 (2022)

*The Promise and Peril of Paternalistic Approaches to Flood Risk*, 93 UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO LAW REVIEW 679 (2022)

*Autonomous Vehicles, Technological Progress, and the Scope Problem in Products Liability*, 12 JOURNAL OF TORT LAW 157 (2019) (invited contribution to symposium issue entitled “new voices”)

*Assumption of Flood Risk*, 51 ARIZONA STATE LAW JOURNAL 163 (2019)

*Stronger Than the Storm: Disaster Law in a Defiant Age*, 78 LOUISIANA LAW REVIEW 437 (2018)

*Coercive Insurance and the Soul of Tort Law*, 105 GEORGETOWN LAW JOURNAL 55 (2016)

*Rolling Back the Tide: Toward an Individual Mandate for Flood Insurance*, 26 FORDHAM ENVIRONMENTAL LAW REVIEW 166 (2015)

Note, *Sheep in Wolves’ Clothing: Removing Parens Patriae Suits under the Class Action Fairness Act*, 111 COLUMBIA LAW REVIEW 121 (2011)

#### JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

**U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York**, New York, NY  
Judge Denise L. Cote, 2013 - 2014

**U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit**, San Francisco, CA  
Judge Marsha S. Berzon, 2011 - 2012

#### PRIOR EXPERIENCE

**Sullivan & Cromwell, LLP**, New York, NY  
*Associate, Litigation, 2014 – 2015; Summer Associate, 2010 & 2011*

**U.S. Attorney’s Office for the Eastern District of New York**, Brooklyn, NY  
*Summer Intern, Criminal Division, 2009*

**Preservation Resource Center**, New Orleans, LA  
*Deputy Editor, Preservation in Print, 2006 - 2008*

#### BAR ADMISSIONS

New York State Bar  
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Chair, AALS Section on Insurance Law (2023)  
Member, AALS Section on Torts and Compensation Systems  
Member, AALS Section on Evidence

PRESENTATIONS

- “Lessons from the First Autonomous Vehicle Trial,” University of Connecticut Insurance Law Workshop, April 2026
- “Emerging Technologies and Insurance,” AALS 2024 Annual Meeting, Section on Insurance Law, January 2024 (moderator)
- “Tort Law—What Can We Learn from Where It Has Been?” Marquette University Law School CLE conference, September 2023 (panelist and co-organizer)
- “Insurance and Social Justice: Selected Issues in Health Care,” AALS 2023 Annual Meeting, Section on Insurance Law, January 2023 (moderator)
- “Recent Legal Developments in Autonomous Driving,” Marquette University Law School CLE program, November 7, 2022
- “Representative Corrective Justice,”  
Marquette University Law School Faculty Workshop Series, April 2022  
Marquette Law School Junior Scholars’ Works in Progress Conference, September 2022
- “Climate Change and the Insurance Industry,” AALS 2021 Annual Meeting, Section on Insurance Law, January 2021 (panelist)
- “The Duty to Warn in the Age of Automation”  
University of Wisconsin Law School Workshop Series, October 2021  
Law and Society Association Annual Conference, May 2021  
Northern Illinois University College of Law Chicagoland Junior Scholars Works in Progress Conference, September 2020  
Marquette University Law School Faculty Workshop Series, November 2020
- “The Promise and Peril of Paternalistic Approaches to Flood Risk”  
Law and Society Association Annual Conference, May 2020  
Marquette University Law School Faculty Workshop Series, February 2020
- “Legal Responses to the Emergence of Driverless Cars,”

Marquette University Law School CLE program, May 13, 2020

“Autonomous Vehicles, Technological Progress, and the Scope Problem in Products Liability”  
University of Kentucky College of Law Faculty Workshop Series, October 2019  
Marquette Law School Junior Scholars’ Works in Progress Conference, October 2019  
Northern Illinois University College of Law Chicagoland Junior Scholars Works in  
Progress Conference, September 2019  
Marquette University Law School Faculty Workshop Series, August 2019

“Assumption of Flood Risk”  
Sustainability Conference of American Legal Educators, Arizona State University, May  
2019 (Invitation)  
University of Wisconsin-Madison Law School Faculty Workshop Series, April 2019  
Marquette Law School Faculty Workshop Series, October 2018  
Northern Illinois University College of Law Chicagoland Junior Scholars Works in  
Progress Conference, October 2018  
Marquette Law School Junior Scholars’ Works in Progress Conference, September 2017

“Stronger than the Storm: Disaster Law in a Defiant Age,”  
Sustainability Conference of American Legal Educators, Arizona State University, May  
2017 (Invitation)  
Fellows’ Collaborative Workshop, Georgetown University Law Center, October 2016  
Georgetown Faculty Summer Workshop Series, Georgetown University Law Center,  
August 2016

“Coercive Insurance and the Soul of Tort Law,”  
Fellows’ Collaborative Workshop, Georgetown University Law Center, December 2015  
Insurance Scholars’ Workshop, Center for Risk and Responsibility, Rutgers Law School,  
October 2015

#### OTHER WRITING

“[Jury Awards \\$242 Million in First Verdict Against Tesla](#),” Marquette University Law School  
Faculty Blog, August 5, 2025.

“[Tesla to Face Jury Trial over Autopilot Defects Following 70-Page Summary Judgment  
Opinion](#),” Marquette University Law School Faculty Blog, July 14, 2025

“[Tesla Wins First Trial Involving Autopilot, but More Serious Cases Loom](#),” Marquette  
University Law School Faculty Blog, April 25, 2023

“[A Glimpse into Tesla’s New ‘Full Self-Driving’ Technology](#),” Marquette University Law  
School Faculty Blog, November 16, 2022

“Tort Law’s Past—And Future,” *Marquette Lawyer Magazine*, Summer 2022, at 23

[“As Our Climate Changes, What Can Be Done about Flood Risk?”](#) Marquette University Law School Faculty Blog, June 6, 2022

[“Raising Flood Insurance Premiums Sounds Fair. It Isn’t.”](#) SLATE, October 1, 2021

[“As We Approach Our Autonomous Future, Will Products Liability Law Hold Us Back or Shove Us Forward?”](#) Marquette University Law School Faculty Blog, June 17, 2020  
(republished in *Marquette Lawyer Magazine*, Fall 2020, at 44)

[“Autonomous Vehicle Malfunctions May Not Be So Complicated After All,”](#) Marquette University Law School Faculty Blog, Jan. 7, 2020

#### POPULAR PRESS

Chris Ramirez, *Could Wisconsin Supreme Court Ruling against Pabst Have Greater Impact?*, MILWAUKEE JOURNAL-SENTINEL, May 1, 2026 (quoted)

Madeline Heim, *State Supreme Court Rules on COVID-era Medical Malpractice Law*, MILWAUKEE JOURNAL-SENTINEL, Apr. 10, 2026 (quoted)

Madeline Heim, *Could Milwaukee Airport Traveler with Measles Face Legal Consequences?*, MILWAUKEE JOURNAL-SENTINEL, Feb. 23, 2026 (quoted)

Madeline Heim, *Can a COVID-Era Law Shield Doctors from Liability for a Baby’s Death at Columbia St. Mary’s?*, MILWAUKEE JOURNAL-SENTINEL, Nov. 20, 2025 (quoted)

Jonathan Stempel & Abhirup Roy, *Tesla Ordered by Florida Jury to Pay \$329 Million in Fatal Autopilot Crash*, REUTERS, Aug. 1, 2025 (quoted)

Danielle Kaeding, *Not Covered: Insurers Add PFAS Exclusions to Commercial Liability Policies*, WISCONSIN PUBLIC RADIO, Dec. 20, 2024 (quoted)

Caitlin Looby, *Climate Change Brings More Floods. Which Great Lakes States are Best Prepared? Hint: Not Wisconsin*, MILWAUKEE JOURNAL-SENTINEL, Sept. 5, 2023 (quoted)

Steve Schuster, *Reasons Why People Drive Recklessly in Wisconsin, Possible Solutions*, WISCONSIN LAW JOURNAL, May 24, 2023 (quoted)

Steve Schuster, *Two Wisconsin Hospitals Earn Ds for Safety; Grades May Be Admissible in Court*, WISCONSIN LAW JOURNAL, May 3, 2023 (quoted)

Sara Randazzo, *In Roundup Case, the Science Will Go on Trial First*, WALL STREET JOURNAL, Feb. 15, 2019 (quoted)

#### SERVICE

Senator, University Academic Senate (2023 – present)

Member, Appointments Committee (2022 – present)

Faculty Advisor, Marquette Law Review (2020 – present)

Member, Academic Programs Committee (2017 – 2023)

Member, Admissions and Recruitment Committee (2019 – 2020)

Vice Chair, Marquette University Law School Ad Hoc Committee on Approach to Grades  
(Spring 2020)

Peer Reviewer, *Jurimetrics* (2023)

Peer Reviewer, *Law & Policy* (2022)

Peer Reviewer, *Illinois Journal of Law, Technology, & Policy* (2021)

Coach, Environmental Law Moot Court Team (2019 & 2020)

Faculty Reviewer, *Marquette Law Review* Student Comments, (2018 – present)

Faculty Reviewer, *Marquette Benefits and Social Welfare Law Review* Student Comments, 2019-  
2020

Faculty Chaperone, International Dispute Resolution trip to Israel, Spring 2019

#### COMMUNITY SERVICE

Chair, Friends of the Trails MKE (non-profit group supporting Milwaukee County trails system)  
(2020-present)