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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS & EXPERIENCE

Associate Professor of Law (July 2011—Present)
Co-Director, Center for the Interdisciplinary Study of Law

Associate Professor of Psychology (August 2011—Present)
(*Secondary Appointment*)

Saint Louis University
Saint Louis, MO

Assistant Professor of Law (July 2006—July 2011)

Saint Louis University School of Law
Saint Louis, MO

Courses

- ≡ Tort Law
- ≡ Criminal Law
- ≡ Criminal Procedure
- ≡ Family Law
- ≡ Psychology & the Criminal Justice System
- ≡ Law and Decision-Making
- ≡ Social Science in the Courtroom

Law School Service

- ≡ **Founding Co-director, Center for the Interdisciplinary Study of Law** (July, 2011-Present)
- ≡ **Organizer, Saint Louis University School of Law Faculty Workshop Series** (2010-2011)
- **Committees**
 - ≡ Technology Committee
 - ≡ Honor Code committee
 - ≡ Academic Standards Committee
 - ≡ Scholarship Committee
 - ≡ Curriculum Committee
 - ≡ 1843 Scholars Committee
- U.S. News & World Report Committee
- ≡ **Public Law Review Symposium Faculty Advisor**
 - *Voting: 45 Years After the Voting Rights Act* (March, 2010)

Graduate Assistant Instructor (1997-2001)

University of Virginia

University of Virginia, Department of Psychology
Charlottesville, VA

Supplemental Seminars Taught

- ≡ Social Psychology
- ≡ Cognitive Psychology
- ≡ Research Methods

EDUCATION

University of Virginia School of Law

Charlottesville, Virginia

J.D., May 2004

Virginia Journal of Social Policy and Law

Editor-in-Chief (2003-2004)

Virginia Environmental Law Journal

Senior Editor (2003-2004)

Articles Review Board (2002-2003)

Journal of Law and Human Behavior

Student Editor (2003-2004)

University of Virginia School of Arts and Sciences

Charlottesville, Virginia

Ph.D. in Psychology (Social and Cognitive), January 2004

Dissertation: *Objecting to Objections: The Paradoxical Consequences of Courtroom Interruptions*

Masters in Psychology (Social), May 2001

Masters Thesis: *Uncovering the Lying Witness: Are Questions the Answer?*

Service:

First-Year Graduate Student Representative

Third-Year Graduate Student Representative

UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION

Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut

B.A. (Psychology and English), May 1995

PUBLICATIONS

Published Works

Financing Elections and “Appearance of Corruption”: Attitudes and Behavior in 2012 63 Cath. U. L. Rev. ____ (forthcoming).

The Supreme Court, Self-Persuasion, and Ideological Drift 83 Miss. L.J. " ____ (forthcoming).

The Expansion of Criminal Registries and the Illusion of Control 73 La. L. Rev. 509 (2013).

Cultural Understandings of Risk and the Tyranny of the Experts, 90 Or. L. Rev. 113 (2011).

Too Much of a Good Thing: Campaign Speech After Citizens United, 31 CARDOZO L. REV. 2365 (2010).

Adaptive Responses to Risk and the Irrationally Emotional Public, 54 ST. LOUIS U. L.J. 1297 (2010).

Behavioral Decision Theory and Implications for the Supreme Court’s Campaign Finance Jurisprudence, 31 CARDOZO L. REV. 679 (2010).

The New Role of the Small Donor in Political Campaigns and the Demise of Public Funding, 2008 Election in Review, 25 J.L. & POL. 257 (2009).

Publicity, Pressure, and Environmental Legislation: The Untold Story of Availability Campaigns, with Megan P. Fuchs, 30 CARDOZO L. REV. 2147 (2009).

Featured Faculty Profile, SAINT LOUIS BRIEF: School of Law Magazine (Summer, 2008).

An Evolutionary Perspective on Male Domestic Violence: Practical and Policy Implications, in Elizabeth M. Schneider, Cheryl Hanna, Judith G. Greenberg, and Clare Dalton, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND THE LAW: THEORY AND PRACTICE (2d edition, 2007).

How do objections influence jurors' treatment of inadmissible testimony? Jury Research Update OJRU Blawg (2006).

An Evolutionary Perspective on Male Violence: Practical and Policy Implications, 32 AMERICAN JOURNAL OF CRIMINAL LAW 291 (2005).

Precommitment in Free-Market Procreation: Surrogacy, Commissioned Adoption, and Limits on Human Decision Making Capacity, 31 JOURNAL OF LEGISLATION 329 (2005).

A Behavioral Critique of Command-and-Control Environmental Regulation, 16 FORDHAM ENVIRONMENTAL LAW JOURNAL 223 (2005).

Objecting to Objections: The Paradoxical Consequences of Courtroom Interruptions (2004) (Unpublished Dissertation, The University of Virginia).

Verbal and Nonverbal Dynamics of Privacy, Secrecy, and Deceit, with Bella M. DePaulo, Chris Wetzel, & R. Weylin Sternglanz, JOURNAL OF SOCIAL ISSUES (2003).

Uncovering the Lying Witness: Are Questions the Answer? (2001) (Unpublished Master's Thesis, The University of Virginia).

INSTRUCTORS MANUAL, COGNITION: THE THINKING ANIMAL (2000).

Works-in-Progress

The Expressive Nature of Law and Public Perception: What Can Campaign Finance and Tort Reform Laws Teach Us?

Are Judges Communicating What They Think They Are? The Disjunction between Judicial Reasoning and Citizen Perception

Interdisciplinarity is the Future: Domestic Violence as a Case Study

PRESENTATIONS & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Gideon versus Wainwright: How Far Have We Come in Fifty Years? Introduction to Criminal Law Society's May 2013 Meeting

Money in Elections: Why We (Might) Need to Worry. Inaugural Interdepartmental Faculty Forum, Saint Louis University School of Law (November 2012).

Interdisciplinarity and Criminal Law Criminal Law Society Brown Bag (April 2012).

Invited Discussant, Saint Louis University School of Law's Junior Faculty Scholarship Symposium (September 2012).

The Expressive Function of Law: Lessons from Campaign Finance and Tort Reform Center for the Interdisciplinary Study of Law Lunch Presentation, Saint Louis University School of Law (April 2012).

Invited Discussant, Saint Louis University School of Law's Junior Faculty Scholarship Symposium (September 2011).

Rethinking Post-Enlightenment Assumptions about Risk Policy, Panelist, Childress Memorial Lecture Saint Louis University School of Law (October 2009).

A Behavioral Science Approach to the Supreme Court's Campaign Finance Jurisprudence, Washington University School of Law Junior Faculty Workshop (April, 2009).

Invited Discussant, Conference on Empirical Studies, Cornell University School of Law (September, 2008).

Taming the Irrational Voter: Regulating the Political Marketplace, Saint Louis University School of Law Faculty Workshop (July, 2008).

Publicity, Pressure and Environmental Legislation: The Untold Story of Availability Campaigns Washington University School of Law Roundtable on Law and Psychology (April, 2008)

Exploring the Benefits of Public Concern over Environmental Issues University of Missouri School of Law Workshop Series (March, 2008)

The Committed Unwed, Issues in Same-sex Adoption and Custody Determinations Annual Meeting of the Missouri Bar Association (2007)

Juror Perceptions and Decision-Making: Some Lessons from Empirical Findings Continuing Legal Education, Cozen O'Connor (Summer, 2003)

Invited Speaker, *How Psychological Research Informs Law and Policy*, Psychology and Law Seminar, University of Virginia (Spring, 2003)

Invited Speaker, *Applied Cognitive Psychology in Legal Contexts*, Cognitive Psychology Lecture, University of Virginia (Fall, 2002)

Spotlight on Objections: The Unintended Consequences of Courtroom Interruptions Meeting of the American Psychology and Law Society, Austin, Texas (2002).

Objecting to Objections: How Jurors Remember and Use Forbidden Information Second Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, Texas (2001)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Psychology-Law Society

RESEARCH

Legal Research Fellow (2003)

Assisted Professor Jennifer Mnookin, University of Virginia School of Law
Drafted sections for THE NEW WIGMORE ON EVIDENCE

Graduate Research (1997-2003)

Masters and Doctoral Research

- ≡ The Psychology of Negotiation
- ≡ Juror Judgments and Witness Non-Verbal Behavior
- ≡ Jury Decision-Making: The Influence of Objections and Jury Instructions

NON-ACADEMIC LEGAL EXPERIENCE

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Summer Associate, Cozen O'Connor, Philadelphia (Summer, 2003)

Charlottesville Legal Aid Society Volunteer (1999-2001)

NON-LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Assistant Editor / Staff Writer – Harvard Medical School FOCUS (1995-1997)