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EDUCATION

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL

J.D., *magna cum laude*, 1996

- Sears Prize (awarded to the two students with the highest 1L grade point averages)
- *Harvard Law Review*, Supervising Editor

DUKE UNIVERSITY

B.A., *summa cum laude* with distinction in History, 1992

- *Phi Beta Kappa*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL

Professor of Law

2010-present

Associate Professor of Law

2003-2010 (tenured 2008)

Teaching:

- Courses: Constitutional Law I
Constitutional Law II
Constitutional Law and the Supreme Court
Civil Procedure I
- Chosen by the Class of 2006 as the recipient of the Distinguished Faculty Service (teacher of the year) Award

Service:

- Appointments Committee (2008-2010, 2011-2013) (Chair 2012-2013)
- Curriculum Committee (Chair 2010-2011)
- Merit Scholars Committee (2007-2008)
- Academic Scholarship Committee (2005-2007)
- Clerkship Committee (2003-2008)
- Faculty Advisor to the Van Vleck Constitutional Law Moot Court Competition

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LAW SCHOOL

2001-2003

Bigelow Teaching Fellow & Lecturer in Law

- Courses: Legal Research & Writing
Unenumerated Constitutional Rights

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

THE HONORABLE DAVID H. SOUTER

1997-1998

Supreme Court of the United States, Washington, DC

THE HONORABLE GUIDO CALABRESI

1996-1997

United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, New Haven, CT

PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

MAYER, BROWN & PLATT, Washington, DC

1998-2001

Associate, Supreme Court & Appellate Litigation

- Litigated cases in federal and state supreme and intermediate appellate courts across the country, primarily in the areas of constitutional law (including affirmative action, federal preemption, due process, voting rights, free speech, and the Eighth Amendment) and torts (including punitive damages, products liability, negligence, and insurance bad faith)
- Drafted memoranda on constitutional issues for lobbying practice
- Drafted dispositive motions for trial court litigation

PRACTICE EXPERIENCE CON'T	OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR GENERAL United States Department of Justice, Washington, DC <i>Summer Law Intern</i>	1996
	SIDLEY & AUSTIN , Chicago, IL <i>Summer Associate</i>	1995
	ROPES & GRAY , Boston, MA <i>Summer Associate</i>	1994
ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS	<p><i>Originalism and the Ratification of the Fourteenth Amendment</i>, 107 NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW (forthcoming 2013)</p> <p><i>In Defense of Judicial Empathy</i>, 96 MINNESOTA LAW REVIEW 1944 (2012)</p> <p><i>The Sacrifice of the New Originalism</i>, 99 GEORGETOWN LAW JOURNAL 713 (2011)</p> <p><i>Living Originalism</i>, 59 DUKE LAW JOURNAL 239 (2009) (with Peter J. Smith)</p> <p><i>Notice and Comment Judicial Decisionmaking</i>, 76 UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LAW REVIEW 965 (2009) (with Michael Abramowicz)</p> <p><i>Clearing the Smoke From Philip Morris v. Williams: The Past, Present, and Future of Punitive Damages</i>, 118 YALE LAW JOURNAL 392 (2008)</p> <p><i>The Federal Marriage Amendment and the False Promise of Originalism</i>, 108 COLUMBIA LAW REVIEW 529 (2008)</p> <p><i>A Constitutional Hierarchy of Religions? Justice Scalia, the Ten Commandments, and the Future of the Establishment Clause</i>, 100 NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 1097 (2006)</p> <p><i>Revitalizing the Forgotten Uniformity Constraint on the Commerce Power</i>, 91 VIRGINIA LAW REVIEW 249 (2005)</p> <p><i>Beyond the Multiple Punishment Problem: Punitive Damages as Punishment for Individual, Private Wrongs</i>, 87 MINNESOTA LAW REVIEW 583 (2003)</p> <p><i>The Supreme Court, 1994 Term—Leading Cases</i>, 109 HARVARD LAW REVIEW 131 (1995)</p> <p><i>Recent Case</i>, 108 HARVARD LAW REVIEW 507 (1994)</p>	
SELECTED PRESENTATIONS	<p>University of Chicago Law School Constitutional Law Workshop (April 2013)</p> <p>University of San Diego Center for the Study of Constitutional Originalism (February 2013)</p> <p>Northwestern University Constitutional Law Colloquium (March 2011)</p> <p>Cornell Law School (April 2010)</p> <p>University of Texas School of Law Colloquium on Constitutional Theory (April 2009)</p> <p>University of Minnesota Law School (January 2009)</p>	
BAR ADMISSIONS	<p>District of Columbia (active), Illinois (inactive)</p>	