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#### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

#### ELISABETH HAUB SCHOOL OF LAW AT PACE UNIVERSITY, White Plains, NY

Assistant Professor of Law, July 2025-Present

- *Courses*: Criminal Law; Criminal Procedure; Advanced Criminal Law Seminar (Sentencing and Other Post-Conviction Proceedings)
- *Committees*: Faculty Development (2025-Present)

# NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, New York, NY

Acting Assistant Professor of Lawyering, June 2023-May 2025

- Courses: Lawyering; Reading Group on Abolition
- Service: Lawyering Scholarship Colloquium, Co-Chair (2024-25); Lawyering Program Candidate Interviews (2023-25)

#### CORNELL LAW SCHOOL, Ithaca, NY

Adjunct Professor of Law, Jan. 2022-May 2023

• Course: Appellate Criminal Defense Clinic

#### **EDUCATION**

#### COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, New York, NY

Juris Doctor, May 2009

Honors: Lowenstein Public Interest Fellow, 2009

Social Justice Pathways Fellow, 2009 Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar, 2008-09

James Kent Scholar, 2007-08

Human Rights Internship Program Intern, 2007

Activities: Human Rights Law Review/A Jailhouse Lawyer's Manual ("JLM"), JLM

Editor-in-Chief, 2008-09; Staff Editor, 2007-08

Civil Rights Law Society, Chair

Teaching Fellow for Professor Gillian Metzger, Spring 2008

Experience: Neufeld, Scheck & Brustin, LLP, Intern, Summer 2008

Neighborhood Defender Service of Harlem, Extern, Spring 2008 Lawyering in the Digital Age Clinic, Student Lawyer, Fall 2007

The Legal Aid Society, Prisoners Rights Project, Intern, Summer 2007

Pro bono: The Legal Aid Society, Immigration Law Unit

Community Oversight of the Police Project

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Stanford, CA

Bachelor of Arts, with Distinction, June 2005

Honors: Phi Beta Kappa

Feminist Studies Department's Lopes Prize for Outstanding Essay in the

Humanities, 2005

Stanford Public Interest Network Fellow, 2005-06

# NON-ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### CENTER FOR APPELLATE LITIGATION, New York, NY

Supervising Attorney (2019-2023); Assistant Managing Attorney (2015-19); Senior Appellate Counsel (2013-15); Appellate Counsel (2010-13); Fellow (2009-10)

- Briefed and argued criminal appeals in New York's intermediate appellate courts and Court
  of Appeals, and *habeas corpus* matters in the Southern District of New York and Second
  Circuit; and represented clients in resentencings, N.Y. Crim. Proc. Law Article 440
  proceedings, and Sex Offender Registration Act hearings.
- Conceived and developed project to implement 2019 Domestic Violence Survivors Justice Act. For implementation work, awarded New York State Bar Association Committee on Mandated Representation's Award for Outstanding Achievements in Promoting Standards of Excellence in Mandated Representation, 2022
- Supervised attorneys on writing, litigation strategy, and case management; and participated in decisions of office-wide importance, including on diversity, equity, and inclusion matters.

# COLUMBIA CENTER FOR INSTITUTIONAL AND SOCIAL CHANGE, New York, NY Research Scholar, Sept. 2009-Aug. 2010

• Designed and executed qualitative research project on programs to support formerly incarcerated students attending college.

#### PUBLICATIONS AND WORKS IN PROGRESS

*Liberatory Resentencing: Towards an Ethics of Listening* (work-in-progress)

A Second Look at Second Look: Avoiding Epistemic Harms in Discretionary Resentencing, 100 N.Y.U. L. REV. 1 (April 2025).

Center for Institutional and Social Change, BUILDING PATHWAYS OF POSSIBILITY FROM CRIMINAL JUSTICE TO COLLEGE: COLLEGE INITIATIVE AS CATALYST LINKING INDIVIDUAL AND SYSTEMIC CHANGE (Oct. 2011) (with Susan P. Sturm & Tina Wu).

Special Issues for Prisoners with Mental Illness, in A JAILHOUSE LAWYER'S MANUAL (8th ed. 2009).

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#### TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

Criminal Law; Criminal Procedure (Investigations and Adjudication); Evidence; Clinical Teaching (Post-Conviction and Appellate Litigation, Parole, Sentencing, Prison Conditions); Professional Responsibility; Appellate Advocacy

# **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS**

Liberatory Resentencing: Towards an Ethics of Listening

- Cardozo-Fordham Metropolitan Junior Scholars Workshop, Fordham Law School, New York, New York, Sept. 5, 2025 (accepted)
- Junior Scholars Workshop, Elizabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University, White Plains, New York, Aug. 8, 2025

Co-Presenter, "Integrating Prison Reform and Abolition Arguments in Post-Conviction Litigation," American Association of Law Schools – Annual Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Baltimore, Maryland, Apr. 28, 2025

A Second Look at Second Look: Avoiding Epistemic Harms in Discretionary Resentencing

- Clinical Law Review Workshop, Sept. 28, 2024
- CrimFest, Cardozo School of Law, New York, New York, July 15, 2024
- Decarceration Law Professors Works-in-Progress Virtual Workshop, June 13, 2024
- American Association of Law Schools, Annual Conference on Clinical Legal Education, St. Louis, Missouri, May 5, 2024
- Academic Careers Program Scholarship Clinic, New York University School of Law, New York, New York, Apr. 15, 2024
- Lawyering Scholarship Colloquium, New York University School of Law, New York, New York, Feb.6, 2024

Guest Lecturer, "Trauma-Informed Client Interviewing," Reproductive Justice Clinic, New York University School of Law, New York, New York, Oct. 16, 2024

Discussant, Works-in-Progress Session, American Association of Law Schools – Annual Conference on Clinical Legal Education, St. Louis, Missouri, May 5, 2024

New York University School of Law Defender Collective, New York, New York, Nov. 9, 2023

Center for Appellate Litigation CLE Trainings, New York, New York

- "Court of Appeals Roundtable," Feb. 2023, Feb. 2022, Aug. 2021, July 2020, Aug. 2019, Mar. 2019, July 2018, Mar. 2018, Feb. 2017, July 2016, Feb. 2016, Sept. 2015
- "Harmless Error," Oct. 2022
- "The START Act: Changing Lives Through Criminal Record Relief," Aug. 2022
- "Representing Clients Convicted of Marijuana Offenses in Light of Recent Legal Developments," Jan. 2022

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- "Summation Misconduct and Briefing Summation Issues," Mar. 2021
- "Sentencing," Sept. 2019

"The ABCs of DVSJA," New York County Lawyers Association CLE Training, New York, New York, June 2022

"Reducing Sentences for Survivors of Domestic Violence" CLE Training

- Second Department Assigned Counsel Panel, Kew Gardens, New York, Feb. 2020
- Queens Defenders, Kew Gardens, New York, Jan. 2020
- Bronx Defenders, Bronx, New York, Dec. 2019

# **SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIPS**

Statewide DVSJA Implementation Task Force, *Inaugural Co-Chair* (2019-21)

NYC Bar Association, Member (2014-Present); Social Welfare Law Committee Member/Secretary (2014-21)

Columbia University School of Law Lowenstein Fellowship Selection Committee, *Member* (2016)

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Bar admissions: New York (2010), Southern District of New York (2018), Second Circuit Court of Appeals (2018)

Language: Spanish (reading knowledge)

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