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APPOINTMENT

University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School

Quattrone Center for the Fair Administration of Justice, Research Fellow (2024 – Present)

EDUCATION

Harvard Law School, J.D., *cum laude*, 2021

Harvard Negotiation Law Review, Editor-in-Chief

Civil Procedure Teaching Assistant (Prof. James Greiner)

University of Pennsylvania, B.A. in (1) Philosophy, Politics, and Economics & (2) Hispanic Studies, 2015

TEACHING INTERESTS

Primary: Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure, Evidence, Professional Responsibility, Torts

Additional: Conflict of Laws, Executive Clemency, Behavioral Science & Public Policy

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School

Conviction Integrity, Spring 2026 (with Marissa Bluestine)

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Holistic Defense, Reconsidered, 104 WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW (forthcoming, 2027) (job talk)

Interstate Extradition, 2026 WISCONSIN LAW REVIEW 539 (2026)

Resource Attacks on the Criminal Legal System, 47 N.Y.U. REVIEW OF LAW & SOCIAL CHANGE 479 (2025)

Accuracy Is Not Enough: The Task Mismatch Explanation of Algorithm Aversion and its Policy Implications, 34 HARVARD JOURNAL OF LAW & TECHNOLOGY 259 (2020) (student note)

WORKING PAPERS

Pardon Policymaking

EXPERIENCE

Queens Defenders (now Brooklyn Defender Services) Forest Hills, NY

Staff Attorney, Criminal Defense Practice (2021–2024)

- Represent misdemeanor and felony clients from arraignment through trial
- Designed and wrote custom software to automate the organization of discovery materials. This software was (and still is) used by all Brooklyn Defender Services attorneys in Queens

Cornerstone Research New York, NY

Senior Analyst (2017–2018), *Analyst* (2015–2017)

- Drafted economics experts' reports on issues of causation, class certification, damages calculation, and corporate valuation used in complex civil litigation
- Founded and led New York office's pro-bono practice: Brought in civil rights class action cases to which Cornerstone contributed over \$250,000 in billable time

PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

Pardon Policymaking

- Crimfest (July, 2026)
- Markelloquium Workshop, Brooklyn Law School (July, 2026)

Holistic Defense, Reconsidered

- Stein Colloquium, Fordham Law School (April, 2026)
- ABA Criminal Justice Roundtable (December, 2025)

Interstate Extradition

- Penn Law Faculty Ad-Hoc (October, 2025)
- Markelloquium Workshop, George Washington Law School (October, 2025)
- Crimfest (July, 2025)

ORGANIZATIONAL SERVICE & CIVIL ENGAGEMENT

University of Pennsylvania Projects for Progress (2026)

- Part of a three-member team awarded \$100,000 to develop a system connecting Philadelphia criminal defendants sentenced to community service with organizations seeking volunteers

Queens Community Board 1 (2023–2024)

- Appointed by Borough President to board representing 190,000 constituents in western Queens

Queens Defenders

- Led trainings and CLEs on Cybersecurity, privacy, and data protection; best practices in discovery management; detecting and mitigating collateral consequences

Cornerstone Research

- Community service and philanthropy chair

NON-ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Op-Ed | Cracking Down on Fake License Plates Is Criminalizing Poverty, AM NEW YORK (Aug. 7, 2022)

Prosecutorial Culture Change: A Primer, INSTITUTE FOR INNOVATION IN PROSECUTION (2020)

Opinion Columnist, HARVARD CIVIL RIGHTS-CIVIL LIBERTIES LAW REVIEW AMICUS BLOG (2020–2021)

BAR ADMISSION

New York

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