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ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Chicago-Kent College of Law

Visiting Assistant Professor of Law

Courses Taught: Criminal Procedure (Spring 2012); Legal Writing

Chicago, IL
July 2010 – present

EDUCATION

The University of Iowa College of Law, Iowa City, IA

J.D., *with highest distinction*, May 2007

Graduated # 1 in class of 222 students

Editor-in-Chief, IOWA LAW REVIEW

Order of the Coif

John F. Murray Award for the Highest Academic Standing in the Graduating Class

Sandy Boyd Prize for Outstanding Ability and Creativity in Legal Writing

Law Journal Editor Award for the Greatest Contribution by a Law Student to a Law Journal

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

B.A., May 2003

Major: Planetary Sciences (interdisciplinary program in astrophysics and geology)

Honors: College Scholar (merit-based independent major program)

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIP

Judge Carlos T. Bea, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

Law Clerk

San Francisco, CA
2007 – 2008

EXPERIENCE

Keker & Van Nest LLP

Associate

Practiced complex civil and white-collar criminal defense litigation

San Francisco, CA
2008 – 2010

Covington & Burling LLP

Summer Associate

Washington, DC
Summer 2006

The University of Iowa College of Law

Research Assistant for Professor Adrien K. Wing

Iowa City, IA
2005 – 2006

Simeone & Miller LLP

Legal Assistant

Washington, DC
2003 – 2004

Cornell University Astronomy Department

Operations Team Member for the Mars Exploration Rovers

Developed operations scenarios, programmed imaging algorithms, and helped select landing sites for the 2003 Mars Exploration Rovers

Ithaca, NY
1999 – 2003

LAW REVIEW ARTICLES

The Origins and Limits of Originalism: A Comparative Study, 45 VANDERBILT JOURNAL OF TRANSNATIONAL LAW ____ (forthcoming 2011)

Strict in Theory, But Accommodating in Fact?, 75 MISSOURI LAW REVIEW 1243 (2010)

Is Secularism Possible in a Majority-Muslim Country?: The Turkish Example, 42 UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS INTERNATIONAL LAW JOURNAL 1 (2007) (with Adrien K. Wing)

Note, *Substantive Due Process, Plenary-Power Doctrine, and Minimum Contacts: Arguments for Overcoming the Obstacle of Asserting Personal Jurisdiction over Terrorists Under the Anti-Terrorism Act*, 92 IOWA LAW REVIEW 297 (2006)

WORKS-IN-PROGRESS

The Democratic Coup d'État—A comparative study of the constitutional implications of “democratic” military coups d'état, where the military, in response to a popular uprising against an authoritarian regime, deposes the regime to transition the nation to a democracy

This paper is one of two papers by a Younger Comparativist (scholars in their first ten years of teaching) selected in a double-blind review process for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Comparative Law in October 2011.

How to Pack a Court—A comparative analysis of successful and unsuccessful court-packing plans

COMMENTARY

Electoral Politics and the New Turkish Constitution, COMPARATIVE CONSTITUTIONS PROJECT, June 14, 2011, available at <http://www.comparativeconstitutions.org/>

Further Changes Proposed to the Turkish Constitutional Court, COMPARATIVE CONSTITUTIONS PROJECT, January 26, 2011, available at <http://www.comparativeconstitutions.org/>

Turkey's New Majoritarian Difficulty, COMPARATIVE CONSTITUTIONS PROJECT, September 29, 2010, available at <http://www.comparativeconstitutions.org/>

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Comparative constitutional law and comparative criminal law and procedure, with a focus on religion-state relations, constitutional design, and inter-branch institutional conflict in the constitutions of majority-Muslim nations and the United States

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Discussant (invited), The University of Chicago Young Comparativists Roundtable, Chicago, Illinois (scheduled January 13, 2012)

Presenter (invited), *The Democratic Coup d'État*, American Society of Comparative Law Annual Meeting, Sacramento, California (scheduled October 21-22, 2011)

Presenter (invited), *The Democratic Coup d'État*, The University of Chicago Legal Scholarship Workshop, Chicago, Illinois (scheduled September 26, 2011)

Discussant, *Works in Progress Papers: Courts and Trials*, The Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, June 4, 2011

Chair & Discussant, *Constitutional Controversies Over Religion*, The Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, June 3, 2011

Presenter, *How to Pack a Court*, The Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, June 3, 2011

Presenter, *The Democratic Coup d'État*, Chicago-Kent College of Law Junior Faculty Workshop, Chicago, Illinois, May 10, 2011

Presenter, *The Origins and Limits of Originalism: A Comparative Study*, Chicago-Kent College of Law Faculty Workshop, Chicago, Illinois, April 20, 2011

Co-Moderator, *Views From the Bench: Best Practices in Appellate Advocacy*, Bar Association of San Francisco, Barristers Club, Appellate Section, San Francisco, California, June 23, 2010 (moderated panel discussion with three appellate court judges)

Co-Presenter, *Is Secularism Possible in a Majority-Muslim Country?: The Turkish Example*, The University of Iowa College of Law Faculty Workshop, Iowa City, Iowa, April 5, 2007

LANGUAGES

Native speaker of Turkish

BAR MEMBERSHIPS

State Bar of California; United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit