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## EDUCATION

<b>Princeton University</b> Ph.D. in Politics M.A. in Politics Fields: American Politics, Formal & Quantitative Methods, Public Law Committee: Charles Cameron, Nolan McCarty, Jonathan Kastellec	June 2019 (expected) Sept. 2016
<b>New York University School of Law</b> , LL.M.	Sept. 2014
<b>Boston University School of Law</b> , J.D., <i>magna cum laude</i>	May 2008
<b>University of Chicago</b> , B.A. in Political Science, with honors, Phi Beta Kappa	Dec. 2004

## PUBLICATIONS

- “The Role of Courts in Technology Policy.” 2018 (forthcoming). *Journal of Law and Economics* 61.
- “Religion and Judging on the Federal Courts of Appeals.” 2017. *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies* 14:716-744 (with Lawrence Liu).
- “The Nirvana Fallacy in Fair Use Reform.” 2015. *Minnesota Journal of Law, Science & Technology* 16:273-341.
- “The Design of Useful Article Exclusion: A Way Out of the Mess.” 2010. *Journal of the Copyright Society of the U.S.A.* 57:859-905.
- Student Note, “Politics Under the Cover of Law: Can International Law Help Resolve the Iran Nuclear Crisis?” 2007. *Boston University International Law Journal* 25:369-426.

## SELECTED WORKING PAPERS

- “The Fact-Law Distinction” (job market paper).
- “Coordination and Innovation in Judiciaries: Correct Law vs. Consistent Law” (with Charles Cameron and Mehdi Shadmehr).
- “Strategic Abstention, Missing Data, and Ideal Point Estimation” (with Asya Magazinnik).

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

<b>Law Clerk, The Honorable Ronald Lee Gilman</b> United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit	Aug. 2012 – Aug. 2013
<b>Law Clerk, The Honorable William E. Smith</b> United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island	Aug. 2010 – Aug. 2011
<b>Litigation Associate, Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton &amp; Garrison LLP</b> New York, NY	Oct. 2011 – Aug. 2012, Sept. 2008 – June 2010
<b>Summer Associate, Proskauer Rose LLP</b> , Newark, NJ	June 2007 – Aug. 2007
<b>Intern, Kings County District Attorney’s Office</b> , Brooklyn, NY	June 2006 – Aug. 2006

## SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference (“Fact-Law”)	Apr. 2018
Annual Emory Conference on Institutions and Law-Making (poster) (“Fact-Law”)	Feb. 2018
American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting (“Religion”)	May 2017
Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (“Religion”)	Nov. 2016
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (“Technology Policy” and “Strategic Abstention”)	Sept. 2016
Yale Graduate Student Conference on Judicial Politics (“Religion”)	July 2016
Society for Political Methodology Annual Meeting (poster) (“Strategic Abstention”)	July 2016
American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting (“Technology Policy”)	May 2016

## SELECTED HONORS, AWARDS, GRANTS, AND ACTIVITIES

Charlotte Elizabeth Procter Honorific Fellowship (awarded across all departments at Princeton for “the highest scholarly excellence in graduate work”), 2018-2019  
Center for the Study of Democratic Politics Graduate Student Research Grant, 2018  
National Science Foundation Conference Grant for “Strategic Abstention” (with Asya Magazinnik), 2016  
Center for Information Technology Policy Graduate Scholarship Award, Princeton University, 2014  
Mamdouha Bobst Global Scholarship, New York University School of Law, 2013  
First Prize, Nathan Burkan Memorial Competition (for papers on copyright law), Boston University, 2008  
Editor in Chief, Boston University International Law Journal, 2007-2008  
Edward F. Hennessey Scholar (top ten percent in class), Boston University School of Law, 2007-2008  
School of Law Scholarship, Boston University School of Law, 2005-2008  
President, Boston University School of Law International Law Society, 2006-2007  
Paul J. Liacos Distinguished Scholar (top four percent in class), Boston University School of Law, 2006-2007

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Princeton University, Preceptor, Mathematics for Political Science (graduate)	Sept. 2017 – Jan. 2018
Princeton University, Preceptor, American Politics (undergraduate)	Sept. 2016 – Jan. 2017
Roger Williams University School of Law, Guest Lecturer, Advanced Evidence	Feb. 2011
University of Chicago, Teaching Assistant, Persian (graduate and undergraduate)	Oct. 2003 – June 2004
University of Chicago Neighborhood Schools Program, Tutor (third grade)	Oct. 2002 – Dec. 2002
Foothill College, Pass the Torch Tutoring Program, Tutor in Statistics	Jan. 2002 – Mar. 2002
Literacy Teacher to Afghan Refugee Laborers, Tehran, Iran	Aug. 1999 – Sept. 1999

## BAR ADMISSIONS

New York (2009), Massachusetts (2009), S.D.N.Y. (2010), Sixth Circuit (2013)

## LANGUAGES

Persian (Farsi) (native), Arabic (basic), French (basic)

## PROGRAMMING

R, LaTeX, Mathematica, html (basic proficiency), Python (basic proficiency)