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EDUCATION

2017 The City University of New York, The Graduate Center
Ph.D., History

2014 The City University of New York, The Graduate Center
M.Phil., History

2010 The City University of New York, Queens College
B.A., *summa cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa
Triple Major: History, English, & American Studies

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

On Privacy: Twenty Lessons for Practical People, Hachette Book Group: Workman Publishing, forthcoming 2025.

None of Your Damn Business: Privacy in the United States from the Gilded Age to the Digital Age, University of Chicago Press, 2019.

AI in 5 Minutes, Lawrence Cappello, Katherine Chiou, & Nathan Lowen eds., Equinox Publishers, forthcoming 2026.

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

“After the Age of Discretion: Policing And Privacy in a World of Automated Roadway Enforcement,” (co-authored with Trayce Hockstad, Esq.), *St. John’s Law Review*, Vol.98 No.1, forthcoming 2024.

“New York’s 9/11-Era Veterans: A Quantitative Study by Sex, Race, and Ethnicity,” *The Latino Data Project*, No. 90, Winter 2021.

“Gentrification & The South Bronx: Demographic and Socioeconomic Transformations in Bronx Community District #1,” *The Latino Data Project*, No. 88, Summer 2020.

“A New Long Island: Demographic, Economic, and Social Transformations in New York City's Historic Suburbs, 1990 – 2016,” *The Latino Data Project*, No. 79, Spring 2019.

"Gentrification in Upper Manhattan? Demographic and Socioeconomic Transformations in Washington Heights/Inwood 1990-2015," *The Latino Data Project*, No. 80, Spring 2019.

"Big Iron and the Small Government: A History of Data Collection and Privacy in the United States," *Journal of Policy History*, Vol. 28, No. 4, Fall 2016.

"In Harm's Way: The Lawrence Textile Strike Children's Affair," in R. Farrant and J. Siegenthaler (eds.), *The Great Lawrence Textile Strike of 1912: New Scholarship on the Bread and Roses Strike*. Baywood Publishing Co., Amityville, N.Y., 2014.

SELECTED ESSAYS

"These Machines Know Too Damn Much," *Origins: Current Events In Historical Perspective*, The Ohio State University, 20 April 2022.

"Reports that 'Privacy is Dead' Have Been Greatly Exaggerated," *The Wall Street Journal*, 5 September 2017.

"Privacy's Best Hope: Keep it Profitable," *The Hill*, 15 January 2016.

"Can Government Function Without Privacy?" *The Atlantic*, 1 November 2015.

"Privacy and the Profit Motive," *The Nation*, 4 May 2015.

PUBLIC HISTORY

Birmingham Bar Association Oral History Project, *Co-Director*, 2019-present

TEACHING

The University of Alabama

Assistant Professor of U.S. Legal & Constitutional History, 2018-present

Director, Legal History Concentration, 2020-present

Co-Director, Artificial Intelligence Teaching Enhancement Initiative, 2023-present

The Literature of U.S. History II (Graduate Seminar)

The Great Cases in U.S. Legal History (Upper-Level Undergraduate Elective)

The Right to Privacy (Upper-Level Undergraduate Elective)

The Right to Privacy in U.S. History (Undergraduate Thesis Seminar)

U.S. Constitutional History, Since 1865 (Upper-Level Undergraduate Elective)

U.S. Constitutional History, 1776-1865 (Upper-Level Undergraduate Elective)

The First Amendment (Upper-Level Undergraduate Elective)

U.S. History, Since 1865 (Undergraduate Survey)

The City University of New York, Queens College
Macaulay Honors College Visiting Assistant Professor of History, 2017-2018
The History of Privacy in the U.S. (Graduate Level)
The New Deal and Great Society (Graduate Level)
The History of Technology (Undergraduate Thesis Seminar)
The Great Cases in U.S. Legal History (Upper-Level Undergraduate Elective)
U.S. Constitutional History, 1776-1865 (Upper-Level Undergraduate Elective)

The City University of New York, The Graduate Center
Adjunct Lecturer, 2014-2017
Basic Quantitative Methods for Social Scientists and Humanists (Graduate Level)

The City University of New York, Queens College
Adjunct Lecturer/Graduate Teaching Fellow, 2011-2017
The History of Privacy in the U.S. (Upper-Level Undergraduate Elective)
The Great Cases in U.S. Legal History (Upper-Level Undergraduate Elective)
U.S. History, 1920-45 (Upper-Level Undergraduate Elective)
U.S. History, Since 1945 (Upper-Level Undergraduate Elective)
U.S. History, 1500-1865 (Undergraduate Survey)
U.S. History, Since 1865 (Undergraduate Survey)

CONFERENCE PANELS, PRESENTATIONS, AND PUBLIC LECTURES

“Privacy’s Past and Present: A History from Muckraking to Cyberstalking,” *International Association of Privacy Professionals Global Privacy Summit*, (panel discussion) 2023

“Physical Surveillance in the United States: A Social and Political History,” *International Intelligence History Association Conference*, The Politische Akademie, Tutzing Germany, (lecture) 2022

“Academia’s Privacy Pros: A Discussion on the Intersections of Privacy, Power and Free Speech,” (panel discussion) *International Association of Privacy Professionals Joint Knowledge Net*, 2022

“Data Privacy, Then and Now,” *U.S. State Department Speaker Series in Partnership with the Ralph Bunch Library*, (lecture) 2022

“Data Privacy and Constitutional Rights in the Age of Smartphones and the Internet of Things,” *Cardozo Law School P*Law Conference*, (panel discussion) 2022

“The Right to Privacy in American History,” Boston College *Rights in Conflict* Seminar, Boston, MA, (seminar) 2021

“The Fourth Amendment: Before and After 9/11,” *Marymount Manhattan College*, New York, NY, (seminar) 2021

“The Encroaching Surveillance State,” *OlioFest: A 12-Hour Olio Experience of Fruitful Dissent*, New York, NY, (lecture) 2021

“Privacy and Profits in the Post-Covid Economy,” *NFL – San Francisco 49ers Horizon Summit 2020*, Levi’s Field, CA, (lecture) 2020

“Know Your Rights: A Constitutional History of America Protest,” *Thinkolio Birmingham Civil Rights Institute Fundraiser*, Birmingham, AL, (lecture) 2020

“Regulating Business in a Capitalist Society: A Constitutional History,” *Thinkolio Public Lecture Series*, New York, NY, (lecture) 2020

“The Rights of the Accused: A Constitutional History,” *Thinkolio Public Lecture Series*, New York, NY, (lecture) 2020

“The Right to Free Speech: A Constitutional History,” *Thinkolio Public Lecture Series*, New York, NY, (lecture) 2020

“Poor Men Are Not Free Men: The New Deal,” *Thinkolio Public Lecture Series*, New York, NY, (lecture) 2020

“Hard Times: American Society and Culture During the Great Depression,” *Thinkolio Public Lecture Series*, New York, NY, (lecture) 2020

“None of Your Damn Business: Privacy in the United States from the Gilded Age to the Digital Age,” *Virginia Festival of the Book*, 2020 (cancelled due to pandemic)

“Cybersecurity and Privacy Law,” *2020 Birmingham Bar Association Membership Forum*, (panel discussion) 2020

“The Imperial Presidency: A President’s Day Lecture at Federal Hall,” *Federal Hall*, NYC, (lecture) 2020

“Where is the Right To Privacy Located in the US Constitution, Exactly?” *Z-Cash -- Privacy Protecting Digital Currency Community Call*, (lecture) 2020

“Law Enforcement and Privacy in Cyberspace,” *United States Cyber Command’s Cyber Law Symposium*, USAF Jag Corps, Maxwell Airforce Base, AL, (panel discussion) 2019

“Modern Privacy: Reclaiming our Self-Narratives,” *The Strand Bookstore*, NYC, (lecture) 2019

Constitution Day Symposium with Alabama Supreme Court Associate Justice Brady Mendheim, Andalusia, AL, (panel discussion) 2019

“The Second Amendment, Explained,” Thinkolio Public Lecture Series, Brooklyn, NY, (lecture) 2019

“Open Educational Resources in the Undergraduate Classroom,” American Historical Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL (panel discussion) 2019

“Remembering 1919 – A New Year’s Eve Event,” Thinkolio Public Lecture Series, Brooklyn, NY, (lecture) 2018

“How to Talk About Privacy (Without Sounding Like a Conspiracy Theorist),” The Strand, NYC, (lecture) 2018

“Rise of the Factory -- Death of the Artisan,” WeWork Soho, New York, NY, (lecture) 2018

“The History of Tech & The Future of Sex,” The Strand, NYC, (lecture) 2018

“The History of the End of the World,” The Strand, NYC, (lecture) 2018

“Know Your Rights? Know Your Rights!? A Four Part Public Lecture Series,” Offices of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, LLP, New York, NY, (lecture) 2017

“How Vulnerable Are Reproductive Rights in the US? A Refresher on Roe v Wade and Other Cases,” The Strand, NYC, (lecture) 2017

“Big Iron and the Small Government: A History of Data Collection in the US” The Strand, NYC, (lecture) 2017

“Where is the Right To Privacy Located in the US Constitution, Exactly?” WeWork Williamsburg, Brooklyn, NY, (lecture) 2016

“The U.S. v. Europe v. Facebook: Digital Divisions? with Max Schrems, Initiator of Europe v. Facebook” Ralph Bunche Institute for International Studies, New York, NY, (panel discussion) 2016

“The Strategic Value of Children in Labor Strikes: A Brief Tactical History of the IWW” Social Science History Association Annual Conference, Toronto (lecture) 2014

“In Harm’s Way: On the Lawrence Textile Strike Children’s Affair” Bread and Roses Labor History Centennial Conference, Lawrence, MA, (lecture) 2012

“Cash and Pluralism: How Ethnic and Religious Tolerance Have Been Purchased Throughout American Political History” Midwest Political Science Association National Conference, Chicago, IL, (poster session) 2009

PROFESSIONAL

The College Board
AP United States History Exam Reader, 2016-2020

CUNY Center for Latin American, Caribbean, and Latino Studies
Director of Quantitative Research, 2016-2018
Quantitative Research Associate, 2010-2016

Oxford University Press
Textbook Researcher (Of The People: U.S. History Survey, Volume II), 2012

W.W. Norton and Company
Photo Researcher (Freedom National: The Destruction of Slavery in the United States), 2012

SELECTED HONORS AND AWARDS

UA College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Teaching Fellow, 2022-2025
UA Association of Academic Advisors Outstanding Commitment to Advising Award, 2023
SEC Travel Grant, 2023
UA National Alumni Association Outstanding Commitment to Teaching Award, 2021
John L. Blackburn Advisor of the Year Award, 2021
University of Alabama CARSCA Grant, 2019
John Anson Kittredge Prize, 2016
Queens College Presidential Award for Excellence in Teaching, 2016
Dissertation Completion Fellowship, CUNY Graduate Center 2015
Liberty Teaching Grant, Intercollegiate Studies Institute, 2014
Quantitative Methods Teaching Grant, CUNY Graduate Center, 2014
CUNY Enhanced Chancellor’s Doctoral Fellowship, 2010-2015
Phi Beta Kappa, 2010
Abe Rothenberg Memorial Award, 2010
Alan Orman Scholarship Award, 2010
Solomon Lutnick Prize, 2009
Phi Alpha Theta, 2008