

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS and VISITING POSITIONS

Northern Kentucky University Salmon P. Chase College of Law, Highland Heights, Kentucky
Associate Professor (2024-Present) and Director, Center on Addiction Law and Policy (2020-Present); Assistant Professor (2020-2024)

Courses: Criminal Law; Criminal Procedure; Evidence; Health Law; Illegal Drug and Marijuana Law

Service: Academic Standing (Chair, 2025–2026, 2021-2022); Curriculum (2025–2026, Chair, 2023–2024); Appointments (2022-2025); Law Review Faculty Advisor (2020-2022)

Thomas Jefferson School of Law, San Diego, California

Professor (2017-2020); Co-Director, Center for Criminal Law and Policy (2015-2019); Associate Professor (2010-2017, tenured 2013); Director, Center for Law and Social Justice (2008-2015); Assistant Professor (2008-2010); Visiting Assistant Professor (2007-2008)

Courses: Criminal Law; Criminal Procedure I & II; Evidence; Drug Crimes; Marijuana Law and Policy; Criminal Appeals; International Drug Control (2013, in Nice, France summer program); International Business and White Collar Crime (2011 & 2012, in Hangzhou, China summer program); Juvenile Life Without Parole (2009); Property (2007-2009)

The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, Columbus, Ohio

Visiting Professor (Fall 2018, Fall 2019); Visiting Scholar, Drug Enforcement and Policy Center (Spring 2020); Faculty Affiliate, Drug Enforcement and Policy Center (2020-Present)

Boston College Law School, Newton, Massachusetts

Visiting Associate Professor (Fall 2016)

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Appointed Counsel Panel Member, San Diego Appellate Defenders, Inc.

Representing clients in California state criminal appeals by court appointment (2013-Present)

Morrison & Foerster LLP, San Francisco, California

Associate (2005-2007), Summer Associate (2004)

Hon. M. Blane Michael, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, Charleston, West Virginia

Law Clerk (2004-2005)

Cravath, Swaine & Moore, LLP, New York, New York

Summer Associate (2003)

Southern Center for Human Rights, Atlanta, Georgia

Summer Law Clerk (2002)

EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2004

Awards: Fred G. Leebron Memorial Prize for Best Paper in Constitutional Law (2004), Institute for Humane Studies Fellowship (2003-2004), Burton Foundation Award (2004)

Hampshire College, B.A., Political Science and Film and Video Studies, 2001

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Books:

Criminal Law in Focus (Aspen 2nd ed. 2025; 1st ed. 2021)

Marijuana Law and Policy (Carolina Academic Press 2020) (with Douglas A. Berman)

Illegal Drug and Marijuana Law (Carolina Academic Press 2nd ed. 2019; 1st ed. 2013 under the name Controlled Substances: Crime, Regulation and Policy)

Drug Abuse and the Law Sourcebook (Thomson Reuters 2013, updated annually) (with Gerald F. Uelman)

Articles and Essays:

How Marijuana Rescheduling Could Transform the Controlled Substances Act, 61 WAKE FOREST L. REV. __ (forthcoming 2026)

The Criminal Law Course in the Era of Mass Incarceration, 29 UDC L. REV. __ (forthcoming 2026)

Federal Nonenforcement and State Drug Policy Reforms, 21 OHIO ST. J. CRIM. L. 240 (2024)

Federal Marijuana Reform and the Controlled Substances Act, 101 B.U. L. REV. 1231 (2021)

Ensuring Marijuana Reform is Effective Criminal Justice Reform, 52 ARIZ. ST. L.J. 741 (2020) (with Douglas A. Berman)

The Opioid Crisis and the Drug War at a Crossroads, 80 OHIO ST. L.J. 887 (2019)

Safe Injection Sites and the Federal "Crack House" Statute, 60 B.C. L. REV. 413 (2019)

Drug-Induced Homicide: Challenges and Strategies in Criminal Defense, 70 S.C. L. REV. 707 (2019) (with Valena E. Beety, Anne Boustead, Jeremiah Goulka, & Leo Beletsky) (a living document version of the paper is maintained online as *Drug-Induced Homicide Defense Toolkit*)

Marijuana Legalization and Nosy Neighbor States, 58 B.C. L. REV. 1059 (2017)

Marijuana Legalization, 1 REFORMING CRIMINAL JUSTICE 115 (Erik Luna ed., 2017)

Drug Truce, 77 OHIO ST. L. J. 1323 (2016)

Marijuana Legalization and Pretextual Stops, 50 UC DAVIS L. REV. 741 (2016)

What Will Federal Marijuana Reform Look Like?, 65 CASE W. RES. L. REV. 689 (2015)

The 2015 Federal Budget's Medical Marijuana Provision: An 'End to the Federal Ban on Marijuana' or Something Less Than That?, 35 N. ILL. U. L. REV. 537 (2015)

The Federal Response to State Marijuana Legalization: Room for Compromise?, 91 OR. L. REV. 1029 (2013)

Controlled Substances, Uncontrolled Law, 6 ALBANY GOV'T L. REV. 332 (2013)

Reflections on Medical Marijuana Prosecutions and the Ethical Duty to Seek Justice, 89 DENVER U. L. REV. 1027 (2012)

Spring Symposium: Practical, Legal, and Ethical Perspectives on Medical Marijuana, 16 MICH. ST. J. MED. & LAW 540 (2012) (transcription of keynote address)

The Decriminalization Option: Should States Consider Moving from a Criminal to a Civil Drug Court Model?, 2010 U. CHI. LEGAL F. 299

Making Sense of Facial and As-Applied Challenges, 18 WM. & MARY BILL OF RTS. J. 657 (2010)

Beyond the Prohibition Debate: Thoughts on Federal Drug Laws in an Age of State Reforms, 13 CHAPMAN L. REV. 555 (2010)

Toward a Public Health Approach to Drug Policy, 3 ADVANCE: THE JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION SOCIETY ISSUE GROUPS 43 (2009)

Vicarious Criminal Liability & the Constitutional Dimensions of Pinkerton, 57 AM. U. L. REV. 585 (2008)

Rights, Rules and Raich, 108 W. VA. L. REV. 705 (2006)

Raich, Health Care, and the Commerce Clause, 31 WM. MITCHELL L. REV. 957 (2005) (with Aaron Marcus)

Why is Congress Still Regulating Noncommercial Activity?, 28 HARV. J. L. & PUB. POL'Y 169 (2004)

The Future of Medical Marijuana: Should the States Grow Their Own?, 151 U. PA. L. REV. 1787 (2003) (student note)

PRESENTATIONS and CONFERENCE PANELS

Marijuana Scheduling and the Future of the Federal Controlled Substances Act

- Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Conference, Amelia Island, FL (July 28, 2025)
- National Association of Appellate Court Attorneys, Chicago, IL (July 12, 2024)
- Annual Health Law Professors Conference, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA (June 6, 2024)
- Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Conference, Boca Raton, FL (July 23, 2023)
- American Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA (January 6, 2023)

Teaching Criminal Law in the Era of Mass Incarceration

- Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA (Jan. 8, 2025)
- Society of American Law Teachers Conference, Boston University School of Law, Boston, MA (Sept. 21, 2024)
- CrimFest! 2022, Cardozo Law School, New York, NY (July 18, 2022)
- Wolters Kluwer Author Webinar (September 22, 2021) (virtual)

Clearing the Path for Overdose Prevention Centers in the United States

- Drug Policy Alliance (Dec. 12, 2024) (webinar)

Cannabis Law and Scholarship, 2nd Edition (panelist)

- Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Conference, Ft. Lauderdale, FL (July 27, 2024)

Evidentiary Issues in Cannabis Law

- University of Tulsa Law Review Symposium, Tulsa, OK (March 1, 2024)

Hot Topics in Opioids, Bankruptcy, and Public Health (panelist)

- Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, Washington, DC (January 3, 2024)

The Controlled Substances Act: A Primer

- Drug Policy Alliance Reform Conference, Phoenix, Arizona (October 21, 2023)
- New York City Bar Association (February 11, 2021) (virtual)

Federal Nonenforcement and State Drug Policy Reforms

- Faculty Workshop, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH (April 3, 2023)
- Drugs and Public Safety Symposium, Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ (March 15, 2023)

Criminal Justice Roundtable (discussant)

- Vanderbilt Law School, Nashville, TN (November 5, 2023)

Marijuana, Justice, and Public Safety (moderator and discussant)

- Cannabis Criminal Justice & Clemency Symposium, U.S. Capitol Complex, Washington, DC (July 20, 2022)

Safe Injection Sites and Enforcement Discretion

- Annual Health Law Professors Conference, Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ (June 3, 2022)

Marijuana Legalization and Car Stops

- Interdisciplinary Cannabis Symposium, California Western School of Law, San Diego, CA (May 21, 2022)

Drug-Induced Homicide: Challenges and Strategies in Criminal Defense

- Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers of New Jersey Forensic Science Summit (March 22, 2022) (virtual)
- Northeastern School of Law Health in Justice Action Lab (October 20, 2021) (virtual)

Abolition, Pleasure, and Vice (Panelist)

- UCLA Law Review Symposium (January 28, 2022) (virtual)

The Changing Face of Drug Policy in the U.S. (panel discussion)

- Global Cannabis Intelligence Summit (June 9, 2021) (virtual)

Improving Outcomes for People Involved in the Criminal Justice System (panel discussion)

- American Bar Association Opioid Summit II (May 14, 2021) (virtual)

Current Issues in Addiction Law and Policy

- Salmon P. Chase Inn of Court (April 21, 2021) (virtual)

Prosecutorial Discretion and Drug Policy Reform

- The Ohio State Journal of Criminal Law (February 19, 2021) (virtual)

What the 2020 Election Means for the Movement to End the War on Drugs

- American Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting (January 5, 2021) (virtual)

Federal Marijuana Reform and the Controlled Substances Act

- Boston University Law Review Symposium (November 13, 2020) (virtual)

Controlled Substances Regulation 2020

- Gonzaga University School of Law (October 12, 2020) (virtual)

Drug Use and the Law: Where Does it Fit in Law School Courses? (discussion session)

- Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting (July 30, 2020) (virtual)

The Opioid Crisis and the Drug War at a Crossroads

- National Conference of State Legislatures Advancing Justice 2020, Fort Myers, FL (Feb. 7, 2020)
- The Association of American Law Schools Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA (Jan. 6, 2019)
- The Ohio State Law Journal Symposium, Columbus, OH (Oct. 19, 2018)
- Laboratories of Democracy: Drug Policy in the United States, Washington, D.C. (Sept. 25, 2018)

The Criminal "Law" of the Bar Exam

- Southwest Criminal Law Scholars Workshop, UNLV Law, Las Vegas, NV (Oct. 18, 2019)
- Central States Law Schools Association, University of Toledo College of Law, Toledo, OH (Sept. 21, 2019)
- CrimFest, Brooklyn Law School, Brooklyn, NY (July 16, 2019)

Marijuana Law: Is There a Canon? (discussion session)

- Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, Boca Raton, FL (Aug. 1, 2019)

Marijuana Policy Under Trump

- University of Toledo College of Law, American Constitution Society, Toledo, OH (Sept. 23, 2019)
- American Association of Law Libraries Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD (July 15, 2018)
- American Constitution Society Lawyer Chapter, San Diego, CA (June 28, 2018)
- American Insurance Association, Washington, D.C. (June 5, 2018)
- UC Irvine School of Law, Students for Sensible Drug Policy, Irvine, CA (Jan. 30, 2018)
- Federal Bar Association of the Eastern District of Washington Annual Conference, Spokane, WA (Sept. 29, 2017)
- Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, Boca Raton, FL (Aug. 6, 2017)
- Cannabis Law Institute, National Cannabis Bar Association, Denver, CO (July 28, 2017)
- Cozen O'Connor Global P&C Claims Think Tank Conference, West Palm Beach, FL (May 18, 2017)
- The Business of Cannabis CLE, Los Angeles, CA (Apr. 27, 2017) (Keynote address)
- Babson College, Wellesley, MA (Apr. 23, 2017)
- University of New Hampshire School of Law, American Constitution Society, Concord, NH (Nov. 15, 2016)

Facial Challenges and the Fourth Amendment

- Amending America's Unwritten Constitution, Boston College, Boston, MA (May 16, 2019)
- American Constitution Society Law Scholars Forum, Barry University School of Law, Orlando, FL (March 1, 2019)
- Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Mexico City, Mexico (June 23, 2017)
- AALS Criminal Justice Section Midyear Meeting, Washington, D.C. (June 14, 2017)
- ABA Criminal Justice Section, Annual Fall Institute Roundtable, Washington, D.C. (Nov. 3, 2016)
- Boston College Law School, Faculty Colloquium, Newton, MA (Sept. 23, 2016)
- Southwest Criminal Law Workshop, University of San Diego, San Diego, CA (Sept. 19, 2014)

The Impact of the 2018 Elections on Drug Policy Reform

- National Conference of State Legislatures Capitol Forum, Washington, D.C. (Dec. 6, 2018)
- Drug Enforcement and Policy Center, the Ohio State University, Columbus, OH (Nov. 15, 2018)
- American Constitution Society Hoosier Lawyer Chapter, Indianapolis, IN (Nov. 13, 2018)

Drug Sentencing Reform and Ohio's Issue 1

- Kirwin Institute, the Ohio State University, Columbus, OH (Nov. 1, 2018)

The Implications of Marijuana Legalization for Sentencing Commissions

- National Association of Sentencing Commissions Annual Conference, Columbus, OH (August 14, 2018)

Safe Injection Sites and the Federal "Crack House" Statute

- CrimFest, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, New York, NY (July 16, 2018)
- Southwest Criminal Law Scholars Workshop, Santa Clara Law, Santa Clara, CA (March 31, 2018)
- The Association of American Law Schools Annual Conference, San Diego, CA (Jan. 4, 2018)

Drug Policy Reform and Strategic Litigation

- Students for Sensible Drug Policy Annual Conference, Portland, OR (March 26, 2017)

Marijuana Legalization: Recommendations for Policymakers

- Bridging the Gap: A Conference on Scholarship and Criminal Justice Reform, Phoenix, AZ (Feb. 11, 2017)

Covering Mass Incarceration in the First Year Criminal Law Course

- Society for American Law Teachers 2016 Teaching Conference, Chicago, IL (Sept. 30, 2016)

Drug Truce

- Conference on Criminal Justice Reform, Boise, ID (June 5, 2016)
- Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA (June 3, 2016)
- Southwest Criminal Law Workshop, University of Utah College of Law, Salt Lake City, UT (Sept. 26, 2015)
- Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA (May 31, 2015)
- Vanderbilt Law School, Drug Law and Policy Roundtable, Nashville, TN (Mar. 21, 2015)

Marijuana Legalization, Probable Cause, and Pretext Stops

- UC Davis Law Review Symposium, Davis, CA (Jan. 29, 2016)

Marijuana Legalization and Patents: Some Preliminary Thoughts

- Texas A&M Journal of Property Law Symposium, Fort Worth, TX (Oct. 16, 2015)

2015-16 Supreme Court Preview (panelist)

- University of San Diego School of Law, Federalist Society, San Diego, CA (Sept. 17, 2015)

Teaching and Studying Vice (discussion session)

- Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, Boca Raton, FL (Aug. 2, 2015)

Legal Ethics and Marijuana (2015 Mart Vogel Lecture on Professionalism and Legal Ethics)

- The State Bar Association of North Dakota Annual Meeting, Bismarck, ND (June 19, 2015)

Ohio Marijuana Policy Reform Symposium (panelist)

- The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, Columbus, OH (June 11, 2015)

Assessing the 2015 Federal Budget's Medical Marijuana Appropriations Provision

- Northern Illinois Law Review Symposium, DeKalb, IL (Apr. 17, 2015)

What Will Federal Marijuana Law Reform Look Like?

- University of San Diego School of Law, American Constitution Society, San Diego, CA (Feb. 24, 2015)
- University of California Irvine, Symposium on Critical Perspectives on the Drug War, Irvine, CA (Feb. 21, 2015)
- Case Western Reserve Law Review Symposium, Cleveland, OH (Sept. 12, 2014)

Federal Law and Industrial Hemp

- Cannabis in Washington State Seminar Group CLE, Seattle, WA (Dec. 5, 2014)

Local Regulation of Medical Marijuana

- Medical and Recreational Marijuana Seminar Group CLE, Los Angeles, CA (Oct. 3, 2014)

The Fourth Amendment at the Border

- University of San Diego School of Law, American Constitution Society, San Diego, CA (Apr. 16, 2014)

Mandatory Minimum Drug Sentencing

- University of Florida Law School, American Constitution Society, Gainesville, FL (Apr. 14, 2014)
- Tulane Law School, American Constitution Society, New Orleans, LA (Apr. 8, 2014)
- University of Hastings College of Law, Students for Sensible Drug Policy, San Francisco, CA (Mar. 1, 2014)

State Marijuana Reforms and the Federal Response

- Loyola Law School, American Constitution Society, Los Angeles, CA (Mar. 26, 2014)
- Alliant University, Substance Abuse Awareness Week Keynote Speaker, San Diego, CA (Mar. 5, 2013)
- George Washington University Law School, American Constitution Society, Washington, D.C. (Feb. 22, 2013)
- Temple University School of Law, American Constitution Society, Philadelphia, PA (Oct. 8, 2012)
- University of Idaho College of Law, American Constitution Society, Moscow, ID (Mar. 26, 2012)
- Michigan State University Journal of Medicine and Law Symposium, East Lansing, MI (Feb. 24, 2012) (keynote)

Lessons Learned: Marijuana Legalization Roundtable Discussion (panelist)

- University of Denver School of Law, Denver, CO (Feb. 10, 2014)

Overinclusiveness and Drug Possession

- The Association of American Law Schools Annual Conference, New York, NY (Jan. 5, 2014)

Debate with former Office of National Drug Control Policy Senior Advisor, Kevin A. Sabet

- Thomas Jefferson School of Law, San Diego, CA (Sept. 24, 2013)

Drug War Deserters

- Alcohol and Drugs History Society Conference: Under Control?, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, London, England (June 23, 2013)
- International Society for the Reform of Criminal Law Conference, Washington, D.C. (Oct. 25, 2012)

The Federal Response to State Marijuana Legalization: Room for Compromise?

- University of Oregon Law Review Symposium, Eugene, OR (Apr. 19, 2013)

American Constitution Society Convening of Scholars on Federalism, Preemption and State Marijuana Legalization (participant and introductory remarks)

- Washington, D.C. (Apr. 11, 2013)

Medical Marijuana: Legal Update CLE Presentation

- Americans for Safe Access Annual Conference, Washington, D.C. (Feb. 22, 2013)
- California Appellate Defense Counsel San Diego Chapter, San Diego, CA (Nov. 29, 2012)
- Thomas Jefferson School of Law Alumni Association CLE Seminar, San Diego, CA (Nov. 17, 2012)
- South Asian Bar Association of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA (Apr. 13, 2011)

What Happens When "Legalize It" Moves From Slogan to State Law?

- San Diego City College, San Diego, CA (Mar. 11, 2014)
- University of La Verne College of Law, American Constitution Society, Ontario, CA (Nov. 5, 2013)
- University of Maine School of Law, American Constitution Society, Portland, ME (Sept. 6, 2013)
- Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA (May 30, 2013)
- Columbia Law School, American Constitution Society, New York, NY (Apr. 4, 2013)
- NYU School of Law, American Constitution Society, New York, NY (Apr. 4, 2013)
- The Association of American Law Schools Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA (Jan. 5, 2013)
- University of Virginia School of Law, American Constitution Society, Charlottesville, VA (Oct. 15, 2012)
- Drexel University School of Law, American Constitution Society, Philadelphia, PA (Oct. 8, 2012)
- University of Michigan Law School, American Constitution Society, Ann Arbor, MI (Feb. 23, 2012)

Dissent and the Constitution

- San Diego Public Library's "Searching for Democracy" Series, San Diego, CA (Oct. 23, 2012)

Eye to Eye with the Constitution: How to Interpret It?

- San Diego Public Library's "Searching for Democracy" Series, San Diego, CA (Oct. 20, 2012)

The Criminal Law Syllabus: What to Cut and What to Keep? (panelist)

- Society for American Law Teachers, University of Maryland School of Law, Baltimore, MD (Oct. 6, 2012)

The Bill of Rights, Privacy, and the Balance of Federal and State Power

- San Diego Public Library's "Searching for Democracy" Series, San Diego, CA (Sept. 26, 2012)

San Diego Mayoral Debate (one of three panelists posing questions to the candidates)

- Thomas Jefferson School of Law, San Diego, CA (Apr. 20, 2012)

Student Drug Testing and the Law (panelist)

- Students for Sensible Drug Policy Annual Conference, Denver, CO (Mar. 25, 2012)

A Question of Integrity: Politics, Ethics, and the Supreme Court

- California Common Cause, San Diego, CA (Feb. 4, 2012)

Reflections on Medical Marijuana Prosecutions and the Ethical Duty to Seek Justice

- Denver Law Review Symposium, Denver, CO (Jan. 27, 2012)

Administrative Drug Courts

- American Bar Association & American Association of Law Schools Workshop, Washington, D.C. (Oct. 27, 2011)

Federal Drug Enforcement Grants and the “Corrections Free Lunch”

- International Society for the Reform of Criminal Law 24th Annual Conference, Ottawa, Canada (Aug. 11, 2011)

The Rule of Law and Coercive Drug Treatment: Reflections on Three Approaches

- International Conference on Chinese Rule of Law, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China (May 27, 2011)

The Controlled Substances Act After Forty Years

- University of the District of Columbia, David A. Clarke School of Law, Washington, D.C. (Mar. 24, 2011)
- Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL (May 29, 2010)
- Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA (Feb. 24, 2010)

Juggalos to Phis-heads: Managing Fanatical Music Consumers (panelist)

- SXSW 2011, Austin, TX (Mar. 16, 2011)

Why Are Drug Crimes Missing From the Law School Curriculum?

- Southwest/West Junior Faculty Conference, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ (Mar. 14, 2011)
- Society for American Law Teachers, University of Hawaii Richardson School of Law, Honolulu HI (Dec. 11, 2010)

Should California Legalize Marijuana? (Participant in Debates and Forums on Proposition 19)

- San Francisco State University, San Francisco, CA (Oct. 25, 2010)
- Association for Criminal Justice Research Fall Conference, Huntington Beach, CA (Oct. 21, 2010)
- Thomas Jefferson School of Law, San Diego, CA (Oct. 20, 2010)
- Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, CA (Oct. 15, 2010)
- University of San Diego Trans-Border Institute, San Diego, CA (Oct. 14, 2010)

Drug Crimes and Wrongful Convictions

- Texas Wesleyan Law Review Symposium, Fort Worth, TX (Oct. 8, 2010)

Medical Marijuana Collectives in California: Where Does the Law Stand?

- California Appellate Defense Counsel, San Diego, CA (May 20, 2010)
- 2009 International Drug Policy Reform Conference, Albuquerque, NM (Nov. 12, 2009)
- Loyola Law American Civil Liberties Union, Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, CA (Oct. 20, 2009)
- National Lawyers Guild of San Diego, California Western School of Law, San Diego, CA (Sept. 17, 2009)

Why Hasn't the Record Industry Sued Girl Talk (panel organizer and moderator)

- SXSW 2010, Austin, TX (Mar. 18, 2010)

Making Sense of Facial and As-Applied Challenges

- Southwest/West Junior Faculty Conference, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ (Mar. 15, 2010)

Beyond the Prohibition Debate: Thoughts on Federal Drug Laws in an Age of State Reforms

- Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA (Feb. 25, 2010)
- Chapman Law Review Symposium, Orange, CA (Jan. 29, 2010)

The Federalism Implications of Taxing and Regulating Marijuana in California

- University of California Hastings College of Law, San Francisco, CA (Feb. 22, 2010)

Regulating Medical Marijuana in San Diego

- Rotary Club, San Diego, CA (Jan. 27, 2010)
- San Diego Historical Society, San Diego, CA (Sept. 24, 2009)

Drug Policy and the Constitution

- University of California San Diego, San Diego, CA (Jan. 12, 2010)

The Decriminalization Option: Moving from a Criminal to a Civil Drug Court Model

- University of Chicago Legal Forum Symposium, Chicago, IL (Oct. 24, 2009)

Coalition Building (panelist)

- Students for Sensible Drug Policy Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA (Mar. 14, 2010)

From Prohibition to Regulation: Perspectives on Marijuana Policy

- American Constitution Society Sacramento Lawyers Chapter, Sacramento, CA (Aug. 25, 2009)

Victims or Villains?: Young People and the War on Drugs in the United States

- Alcohol and Drugs History Society Conference: The Pathways to Prohibition, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland (June 28, 2009)
- Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, Denver, CO (May 28, 2009)

Drug Testing, Drug-related Speech, and the Constitution

- Students for Sensible Drug Policy Midwest Regional Conference, Ann Arbor, MI (Apr. 5, 2009)

Drug Policy and Social Justice: What are the Connections?

- Michigan Social Justice Conference, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI (Apr. 4, 2009)

SELECTED EDITORIALS, SHORTER WORKS, and MISCELLANEA

Expert witness (by declaration) on California's medical marijuana laws for the defense in *United States v. Lynch*, No. 2:07-CR-00689-GW (C.D. Cal. 2022)

Recurring panelist on the *Marijuana Today* podcast, a weekly podcast about the business, law, and politics of marijuana, 2014-2020

Expert witness (by declaration) on California's medical marijuana laws for the defense in *United States v. Schweder*, No. 2:11-CR-0449-KJM (E.D. Cal. 2019)

Introduction to Marijuana and the Law in LEGAL ISSUES ACROSS THE GLOBE (Olivier de Schutter, ed.) (Gale Cengage 2017)

San Diego Must Prep for New Marijuana Era, San Diego Union-Tribune, Nov. 28, 2016

Understanding California's Medical Marijuana Laws, 14 CRIMINAL L.J. 7 (2014) (State Bar of California publication)

Federal Drug Policy Should Focus on Big Cases, The New York Times, January 14, 2014 (contribution to Room for Debate feature on *Should Drug Enforcement Be Left to the States?*)

Marijuana Legalization in 2014: An Overview, JURIST – Forum, November 26, 2013

Crisis in the Courts, San Diego Union-Tribune, April 4, 2012 (with former California State Assemblymember Howard Wayne)

It's Time to Rethink Marijuana Prohibition, San Diego Union-Tribune, March 26, 2009

Prop. 5 is No Boon to Violent Offenders, Los Angeles Times, October 24, 2008

Dust-up: Proposition 5, online debate series with Los Angeles County District Attorney Steve Cooley, Los Angeles Times, October 30 and 31, 2008

'Bong Hits' for Student Speech, Education Week, August 29, 2007 (short essay discussing the Supreme Court decision in *Morse v. Frederick*, 551 U.S. 393 (2007))

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES and COMMUNITY SERVICE

Selected media appearances

Associated Press, Bloomberg Radio, CNN Headline News, Los Angeles Times, McClatchy, NPR, San Diego Union-Tribune, Slate, Time Magazine, Vice News, Wall Street Journal, Washington Post, Wired

Peer reviewer

Cambridge University Press (2022, 2024); Yale University Press (2022); University of California Press (2021); Law and Social Inquiry (2019); MIT Press (2017); Temple University Press (2014); Journal of Drug Policy Analysis (2013)

Selected community and professional service

Clifton Youth Soccer, Volunteer Coach for sons' youth soccer teams (2022–Present)
Kentucky Medical Cannabis Advisory Committee, Member (Gubernatorial Appointee) (2022)
City of San Diego Ethics Commission (City Appointee) (2013-2020, Vice-Chair 2019-2020)
American Constitution Society San Diego Lawyer Chapter, President (2010-2016)
San Diego East Village Association Board of Directors (2013-2016)
Americans for Safe Access Board of Directors (2012-2016)
Hampshire College Alumni Advisory Group (2012-2016)
City of San Diego Medical Marijuana Task Force, Chair (City Appointee) (2009-2010)
Yes on Proposition 19, Legal Committee Co-Chair (2010)
Hampshire College 40th Anniversary Celebration Planning Committee (2009-2010)
Students for Sensible Drug Policy Board of Directors (1999-2005; 2010-2012)

Awards and grants

NKU Institute for Health Innovation Grant to fund Drug Policy in Kentucky Issue Brief Series (2023), Institute for Humane Studies Grant to Host Drug Policy Papers Workshop (2023), *National Law Journal* Trailblazer in Cannabis Law (2019), Hayek Fund for Scholars Grant (2019), Institute for Humane Studies Faculty Partnership Grant (2015), *San Diego Daily Transcript* Top Attorneys in Academics (2009, 2011, 2012), *San Diego News Network* 35 Under 35 Community Leaders (2010)

BAR ADMISSIONS

California, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, U.S. Supreme Court