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Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION:

PhD Student in History, Princeton University, since August 2015.

J.S.D. Candidate in Law, Yale Law School, since August 2014.

LL.M, Law, Yale Law School, May 2013.

BCL, Law, Oxford University, July 2011.

LL.B, English & German Law, University College London, August 2010.

Baccalaureus Legum, English & German Law, University of Cologne, August 2010.

ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC TRAINING:

Max-Planck Society for Legal History Summer School, Max Planck Institute for Legal History, Frankfurt, August 2015.

Visiting Researcher, Comparative Legal History & Thought, Yale Law School, August 2013-May 2014.

Certificate of Private International Law, The Hague Academy of International Law, The Hague, July – August 2011.

Extensive undergraduate and graduate-level coursework, English Language & Literature BA Program, University of Cologne, August 2004 - August 2006 (while in high school).

PUBLICATIONS:

****Works in Progress:*

Dissertation: *Between German “Life” and American “Experience”: Transnational Legal Realism in the Early Twentieth Century* (tentative title, prospectus pending approval).

Otilie Assing, Frederick Douglass, and Hoboken’s German-American Intellectuals, 1852-1884 (article in preparation).

****Peer Reviewed Articles and Contributions to Edited Collections:*

Comparative Legal History in: OXFORD HANDBOOK OF LEGAL HISTORICAL RESEARCH (tentative title, forthcoming 2017).

Henry Maine’s “Modern Law”: From Status to Contract and Back Again? (AMERICAN JOURNAL OF COMPARATIVE LAW, forthcoming 2016).

Law, Modernity, Crisis: German Free Lawyers, American Legal Realists and the Transatlantic Turn to “Life,” 1903-1933, 39 GERMAN STUDIES REVIEW 121 (2016).

PUBLICATIONS (CONT'D):

Der “Formalismus-Mythos” im deutschen und amerikanischen Rechtsdenken des frühen 20. Jahrhunderts, 53 DER STAAT 445 (2014).

****Book Reviews and Shorter Pieces:*

Review Essay: *Kevin Butterfield, The Making of Tocqueville’s America—Law and Association in the Early United States* (INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF CONSTITUTIONAL LAW, forthcoming 2016).

Review Essay: *Darin M. McMahon & Samuel Moyn (eds.), Rethinking Modern European Intellectual History*, 3(1) COMPARATIVE LEGAL HISTORY 196 (2015).

Review: *James Gordley, The Jurists—A Critical History*, 33(2) LAW & HISTORY REVIEW 467 (2015).

On American “Dilettantism” and German “Pedantry”: A Comparative Look at Law Journal Culture and the Future of Legal Knowledge Production, Voelkerrechtsblog, (17 November 2014).

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS & PRIZES:

Pre-Dissertation Graduate Research Funding, Princeton University, March 2016.

Graduate Student Paper Prize, German Studies Association, October 2015.

Merit Grant, Center for Human Values at Princeton University, September 2015 – May 2016.

University Fellowship in the Humanities and Social Sciences, Princeton University, September 2015 (five year duration).

Summer Academy Stipend, Max Planck Institute for European Legal History, July – August 2015.

Prize Research Grant in Exchanges of Economic, Legal and Political Ideas, Center for History and Economics at Harvard University/Cambridge University, May 2015.

Conference Travel Grant, Thyssen Foundation & Center for Advanced Studies of the Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich, May 2015.

Colin B. Picker Graduate Student Paper Prize, Young Comparativists at the American Society of Comparative Law, April 2015.

Conference Travel Grant, American Society of Comparative Law, April 2015.

Conference Travel Grant, Tel Aviv University, November 2014.

Graduate Fellowship, Yale Law School, August 2014 – May 2015.

Fellow & Research Scholarship, German National Merit Foundation, September 2012 – May 2014.

LL.M Scholarship, Walter W. Oberreit Memorial Fund, Yale Law School, October 2012 – May 2013.

Faculty Prize, Oxford Law Faculty, July 2011.

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS & PRIZES (CONT'D):

Fellow & Research Scholarship, Cusanuswerk, September 2010 – July 2011.

Finalist, Telders International Law Moot Court, April 2010.

Richardson Prize, UCL Law Faculty, July 2008.

Exchange Scholarship, German Academic Exchange Service, September 2006 - August 2008.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Teaching Fellow, Yale University History Department (Professor Paul Freedman, HIS 246 – History of Food), January 2015 - May 2015.

Lead Instructor, Yale Young Global Scholars Program (seminar: Topics in American Legal History & Thought 1865-2015), Yale University, July 2014.

Teaching Assistant (Contract Law, Property Law, Legal Theory, Legal Sociology, Legal Philosophy), University of Cologne, September 2011 - August 2012

TALKS & PRESENTATIONS:

The Making of Humanities V Conference, Johns Hopkins University, 5-7 October 2016: *From Evolutionary Functionalism to Critical Transnationalism: Comparative Legal History, 1780s to Present* (refereed conference presentation; forthcoming).

Transatlantic Studies Association Conference, Plymouth, 4-6 July 2016: *Transatlantic Legalisms: Between German “Life” and American “Experience” in Early Twentieth Century Legal Thought* (invited panelist D.C. Watt Panel).

European Society for Comparative Legal History Biennial Conference, Gdansk, 28 June-1 July 2016: *A Tale of Two Naturalisms: Law’s Instrumentality in the Minds of Early 20th Century German and American Alternative Jurists* (refereed conference presentation).

I.CON, Humboldt University Berlin, 17-19 June 2016: *Between “Life” and “Experience”:* *German Free Lawyers, American Legal Realists, and the Transatlantic Turn to Jurisprudential Naturalism, 1903-1945* (refereed conference presentation).

Law and Jewish Biography—Nineteenth and Twentieth Century Jewish Legal Theorists, Simon Dubnow Institute for Jewish History and Culture, Leipzig, 30 May 2016 (via Skype): *On the Jewish Roots of the German Free Law Movement: Kantorowicz, Ehrlich, Fuchs* (referred workshop presentation).

Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, 2-5 June 2016: *On German “Life” and American “Experience”:* *German Free Law, American Legal Realism, and the Transatlantic Turn to Jurisprudential Naturalism, 1903-1934* (refereed conference presentation).

Forging Bonds Across Borders: Mobilizing for Women's Rights and Social Justice in the 19th-Century Transatlantic World, German Historical Institute, Washington D.C., 28-30 April 2016: *Strategically Navigating the Publicist Sphere: Ottilie Assing and America’s German-Intellectual Communities, 1865-1884* (refereed conference presentation; forthcoming).

TALKS & PRESENTATIONS (CONT'D)

Futures of Intellectual History Conference, Remarque Institute at New York University, 23-24 October 2015: *Towards a “Legal Turn” in Modern Intellectual History* (refereed conference presentation).

German Studies Association Annual Conference, Washington D.C., 1-4 October 2015: *De-Naturalizing “American Jurisprudential Exceptionalism:” German Free Lawyers, American Legal Realists and the Transatlantic Turn to “Life,” 1903-1933* (refereed conference presentation).

International Conference “A Great Divide? America between Exceptionalism and Transnationalism,” German Historical Institute Washington D.C. & Ludwig-Maximilians University, Munich, May 2015: *De-Naturalizing “American Jurisprudential Exceptionalism:” German Free Lawyers, American Legal Realists and the Transatlantic Turn to “Life,” 1903-1933* (refereed conference presentation).

Younger Comparativists Conference, Florida State University, Tallahassee, 16-17 April 2015: *Unmasking “American legal Exceptionalism”: German Free Lawyers, American Legal Realists and the Transatlantic Turn to “Life,” 1903-1933* (refereed conference presentation).

Annual Comparative Law Works-in-Progress Workshop, Princeton University, 6-7 March 2015: *Unmasking “American legal Exceptionalism”: German Free Lawyers, American Legal Realists and the Transatlantic Turn to “Life,” 1903-1933* (refereed conference presentation).

Yale Law School Latin American Linkages Program, Yale Law School, 13 February 2015: *On American “Dilettantism” and German “Pedantry”: A Comparative Look at Law Journal Culture and the Future of Legal Knowledge Production* (invited talk).

2nd Tel Aviv University Workshop for Junior Scholars, Tel Aviv University, 10-11 November 2014: *Anti-Formalism as “Jurisprudence of Crisis”: German Free Lawyers and American Legal Realists Between Normativity and Pragmatism* (refereed conference presentation).

Postgraduate & Early Careers Conference, University College London, 3 November 2014, *Sheltered from the Noise: The Curious Case of the Missing Realist Turn in Modern English Legal Thought* (refereed conference presentation).

United Kingdom IVR Conference, London School of Economics, 24-25 October 2014: *Anti-Formalism as “Jurisprudence of Crisis”: German Free Law, American Legal Realism and the Curious Case of the Missing Anti-Formalist Turn in England* (refereed conference presentation).

Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, 29 May – 1 June 2014, Minneapolis: *American Legal Realism and the Equality-Enhancing Function of Anti-Formalist Jurisprudence: Lessons from Modern French and German Legal Thought* (refereed conference presentation).

Inaugural Young Researchers Conference, Stanford University, 16-17 May: *Sir Henry Maine’s “Modern Law”: From Status to Contract and Back Again?* (refereed conference presentation).

20th Annual Forum of Young Legal Historians, University of Cambridge, 2-5 April 2014 *Beyond Necessary Connections: The Common Law Tradition and Anti-Formalist Jurisprudence* (refereed conference presentation).

TALKS & PRESENTATIONS (CONT'D)

Fourth International Young Researchers Conference, University of Frankfurt, 5-7 December 2013: *Der Formalismus-Mythos im deutschen und amerikanischen Rechtsdenken des frühen 20. Jahrhunderts* (refereed conference presentation).

Advanced Legal Studies Seminar Series, Yale Law School, 3 October 2013: *The “Rise” and “Fall” of the German Free Law Movement: Lessons from Modern American Legal Thought* (invited speaker).

Works in Progress Symposium, Yale Law School, 10 April 2013: *Sir Henry Maine’s “Modern Law”: From Status to Contract and Back Again?* (refereed conference presentation).

Global Conversations Speaker Series, Yale Law School, 14 March 2013: *Law and Interdisciplinarity* (invited panelist).

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

Summer Law Clerk, Clifford Chance LLP, Washington DC, May – July 2015.

Research Assistant to Professor David Blight, Yale History Department, November 2014 – May 2015.

Research Assistant to Professor John Fabian Witt, Yale Law School, August 2014 – May 2015.

Co-Organizer & Panel Moderator, Yale Doctoral Scholarship Conference 2014, Yale Law School, November 2014.

Convenor, Yale Law School Visiting Researchers Speakers Series, August 2014 – May 2015.
Freelance Legal Consultant, Lexidale, Tel Aviv, since September 2013.

Editor, Yale Journal of Law & the Humanities, September 2012 – January 2013.

Research Assistant, Chair for Private Law and Legal Theory, University of Cologne, September 2011 – August 2012.

Research Assistant, Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law (Hamburg), November 2010 – April 2011.

Associate Editor, Oxford University Commonwealth Law Journal, September 2010 – July 2011.

Research Assistant, Clifford Chance, Düsseldorf, September 2008 – September 2010.

Intern, German Foreign Office, Berlin, February 2009 – April 2009.

UNIVERSITY & ACADEMIC SERVICE:

Graduate Programs Liaison, Yale Law School Mental Health Alliance, February 2015 – August 2015.

Chair, J.S.D. Policy for the Future Committee, August 2014 – May 2015.

Student Representative, Yale Law School Visiting Researchers Program, August 2013 – May 2014.

RESEARCH LANGUAGES:

German (native)

English (native level)

French (good reading and speaking ability, Princeton language examination)

Italian (good reading and conversational speaking ability, Princeton language examination)

Portuguese (good reading and conversational speaking ability, Princeton language examination)

Spanish (good reading and conversational speaking ability, Princeton language examination)

Dutch (good reading and conversational speaking ability, Princeton language examination)

Latin (*Latinum*, fair reading ability)

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