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EMPLOYMENT

Yale Law School

Professor of Law (with tenure), 2016-Present
Associate Professor of Law, 2013-2016

Classes taught: Business Organizations; Investment Funds; Securities Regulation; Wills, Trusts and Estates

University of Virginia School of Law

Associate Professor of Law, 2010-2013
Director, Program in Law & Business, 2012-2013

Classes taught: Corporations; Wills, Trusts and Estates; Hedge Funds; Structure of Enterprise

Yale Law School Center for the Study of Corporate Law, 2007- 2010

Associate Research Scholar in Law and John R. Raben/Sullivan & Cromwell Executive Director

Covington & Burling LLP, New York, 2006-2007

Associate, Corporate and Securities Practice Group

OTHER ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Columbia Law School, Spring 2012

Visiting Scholar and Fellow of the Center for Contract and Economic Organization

EDUCATION

Yale Law School, J.D., 2006

Yale Law Journal - Essays Editor
Moot Court - Semifinalist and Board Member

University of Utah, Honors B.S. (Economics & Political Science), *summa cum laude*, 2003

Presidential Scholar (full tuition for academic achievement)
Philo S. Bennett Award (best undergraduate thesis in political science)

PUBLIC SERVICE

Uniform Law Commission, Drafting Committee on Directed Trusts, 2014-

Reporter

Drafting statute to address the division of trustee responsibilities among trustees and trust directors.

BOOKS

RESEARCH HANDBOOK OF MUTUAL FUNDS (co-edited with William Birdthistle) (Edward Elgar Publishing, forthcoming 2016)

ARTICLES AND WORKING PAPERS

Too Big to Be Active: Large Investment Managers, Conflicts of Interest, and the High Costs of Corporate Control (Working Paper)

Trust, Corporation and Legislative Power: American Business Organization from 1850 to 1940 (Working Paper)

The Value of Takeover Defenses: Evidence from Exogenous Shocks to Closed-End Mutual Funds (Working Paper) (with Martijn Cremers and Robert Jackson)

[Why Law Firms Collapse](#) (Working Paper)

Featured on [Law360.com](#), [TalksOnLaw.com](#), and the Sandpiper Leading Law Firms Conference

[The Common Law Corporation: The Power of the Trust in Anglo-American Business History](#), 116 Colum. L. Rev. 2145 (2016)

[The Flawed Mechanics of Mutual Fund Fee Litigation](#) (with Quinn Curtis), 32 Yale J. on Reg. 1 (2014)

[An Empirical Study of Mutual Fund Excessive Fee Litigation: Do the Merits Matter?](#) (with Quinn Curtis), 30 J.L. Econ & Org. 275 (2014) [[Link to Journal](#)]

[The Separation of Funds and Managers](#), 123 Yale L.J. 1228 (2014)

Honored as one of the Top Ten Corporate and Securities Articles of 2014 by the Corporate Practice Commentator

[The Regulation of Mutual Fund Debt](#), 30 Yale J. on Reg. 343 (2013)
(featured in the *Financial Times*)

[Collective Branding and the Origins of Investment Fund Regulation](#), 6 Va. L. & Bus. Rev. 341 (2012)

[Taking Exit Rights Seriously: Why Governance and Fee Litigation Don't Work in Mutual Funds](#), 120 Yale L.J. 84 (2010) (with Quinn Curtis)

Note, [For-Profit and Nonprofit Charter Schools: An Agency Costs Approach](#), 115 Yale L.J. 1782 (2006)

OPINION PIECES AND POPULAR WRITING

Why Law Firms Collapse, [Law360](#), June 12, 2015

Why Law Firms Collapse, [TalksonLaw.com](#)

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

[*The Future of Financial Regulation*](#) (editor, with Roberta Romano, of a transcript of the Yale Law School Center for the Study of Corporate Law's Weil Gotshal & Manges Roundtable, Feb. 13, 2009)

PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

- 2016: Vanderbilt Law and Business Seminar; Morgan Lewis Private Fund Investors Roundtable
- 2015: American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting; Yale Law School Faculty Workshop; Colorado Law School Junior Business Law Conference; University of Chicago Law and Economics Workshop; Sandpiper Leading Law Firms Conference
- 2014: Colorado Law School Junior Business Law Conference; Harvard Law School Program on the Legal Profession; London School of Economics Corporate Law Roundtable; Oxford University Law and Finance Seminar; Penn/NYU Conference on Law and Finance
- 2013: New York City Bar Association Committee on Investment Management Regulation
- 2012: American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting; Colorado Law School Junior Business Law Conference; Columbia Law School Blue Sky Workshop; Harvard Law School Law and Economics Seminar; UCLA Junior Business Law Faculty Forum; Yale Law School Weil Gotshal Corporate Law Roundtable; Yale Law School Law Economics and Organization Workshop
- 2011: Securities and Exchange Commission RiskFin Division; University of Virginia Faculty Workshop; University of Illinois Program on Business Law and Policy Corporate Colloquium
- 2010: Conference on Empirical Legal Studies