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CURRENT POSITION

Harvard Law School, Research Fellow and Lecturer on Law July 2018-present
Conduct independent research on U.S. and Chinese law topics as an affiliate with Harvard Law School's East Asian Legal Studies Program; teach spring reading group entitled "Law and China in the Age of Xi Jinping"

EDUCATION

Harvard Law School, J.D. magna cum laude, 2016

Honors: Irving Oberman Memorial Award for Best Paper in Law and Social Change
Prize for Best Brief in First Year Legal Research and Writing
Dean's Scholar Prizes (multiple)

Activities: Harvard Law Review, Articles Co-Chair
Research Assistant to now-Dean John Manning
Research Assistant to Professor Noah Feldman
Research Assistant to Professor Mark Wu
Teaching Assistant to Professor William Alford

Oxford University (Merton College), M.Phil. in Politics, 2013

Honors: Rhodes Scholarship, elected in 2011

Princeton University, A.B. magna cum laude in Public and International Affairs, 2010

Honors: Phi Beta Kappa, Fall Election (top 1% of senior class)
Henderson Prize for best law-related senior thesis in the graduating class
Bienen Prize for best Asia-related senior thesis in the graduating class
Class of 1924 Award for outstanding contribution to a policy taskforce
Arthur Liman Summer Fellowship in Public Interest Law, Yale Law School

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIP

Hon. William A. Fletcher, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, San Francisco, CA 2016-2017

Wrote bench memoranda analyzing issues raised in federal appeals; drafted opinions and other dispositions; assisted Judge in preparation for oral argument and other speaking engagements

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Illiberal Law in American Courts (forthcoming in the *University of Pennsylvania Law Review*)

Discretion and Distrust: Specializing China's Judiciary (work-in-progress)

Constitutional Legal Education in China (work-in-progress)

Book Review, “To Build a Free China: A Citizen’s Journey,” by Xu Zhiyong, THE CHINA QUARTERLY Vol. 230, 558 (2017)

Article, China’s Constitutional Entrepreneurs, 64 AMERICAN JOURNAL OF COMPARATIVE LAW 619 (2016)

Note, Chinese Common Law? Guiding Cases and Judicial Reform, 129 HARVARD LAW REVIEW 2213 (2016) [translated version forthcoming in the CHINESE CASE LAW REVIEW, Peking Univ. Law School].

Case Comment, Heien v. North Carolina, 135 S. Ct. 530 (2014), 129 HARVARD LAW REVIEW 251 (2015)

Recent Executive Order, Office of Legal Counsel Issues Opinion Endorsing President Obama’s Executive Order on Deferred Action for Parental Accountability, 128 HARVARD LAW REVIEW 2320 (2015)

POPULAR PUBLICATIONS

Opinion, What China’s Premier Should Say at Davos, L.A. TIMES, Jan. 19, 2015 [with Julian Gewirtz]

For Schwarzman Scholarships, the Devil is in the Details, CHRONICLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION, May 3, 2013

We the People(s Dictatorship)? Constitutional Politics in the United States and China, THE HUFFINGTON POST, Sep. 27, 2013

China’s ‘Other’ Innovation Gap, THE HUFFINGTON POST, Dec. 11, 2012 [reprinted in *Xinhua News*]

Looking Back on Tomorrow’s China, THE AMERICAN OXONIAN, Vol. XCIX No. 1, Winter 2012

The Many (Imagined) Lives of Xi Jinping, FOREIGN POLICY, Sep. 12, 2012

Will China Continue to ‘Turn Against Law’? ASIA UNBOUND, Council on Foreign Relations, July 31, 2012

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Harvard Law School, Teaching Assistant to Professor William Alford, Cambridge, MA Spring 2015
Assisted with a 90-student first year course entitled “Comparative Law: Why Law? Lessons from China”

China Foreign Affairs University, Lecturer and Princeton-in-Asia Teaching Fellow, Beijing, China 2010–11
Taught American constitutional history and political theory to 80 undergraduate and graduate students at China’s dedicated foreign policy university

Princeton University’s Woodrow Wilson School, Senior Commissioner, Princeton, NJ Fall 2009
Advised a class of twelve undergraduates preparing a policy report on promoting Chinese rule of law for the New York City Bar Association and the Department of State

TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

Primary: Civil Procedure, Chinese Law, Comparative Law, Constitutional Law

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale & Dorr, Litigation Associate (Summer Associate, 2015), Washington, DC 2017-18

Drafted briefs for submission in various state and federal courts, including the U.S. Supreme Court, on matters relating to substantive due process, the False Claims Act, and veterans' disability; drafted due diligence reports analyzing Foreign Corrupt Practices Act risk exposure; co-drafted pro bono report on discriminatory calculations in tort damages; volunteered regularly at the DC Family Law Resource Center, Landlord-Tenant Center, and Probate Law Resources Center.

Administrative Conference of the United States, Legal Intern, Washington, DC 2014

Wrote research memoranda on administrative law topics, including: statutory interpretation, cost-benefit analysis, and civil service reform

Council on Foreign Relations, Intern to Elizabeth Economy, New York City 2012

Wrote a research study analyzing China's water crisis and implications for interstate conflict

Obama for America, Deputy National Field Director of Students for Barack Obama 2007–2008

Served on a four-person leadership team in charge of the student wing of a presidential campaign; oversaw 500 chapters in 49 states

OTHER

Named one of "25 Under 25 Rising Stars in U.S.-China Relations" by CHINA HANDS magazine (2014)

Selection Committee Member, Rhodes Scholarships for China (2018)

Licensed to practice law in Massachusetts and the District of Columbia

Fluent in English and Mandarin Chinese