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Introduction to the American Bar Foundation



The American Bar Foundation (ABF) is a research institute committed to the principle that a deep understanding of the law is vital to a more just, equitable world. We conduct rigorous, empirical research that explores the intersection of law and society—creating insights that underpin today's most pressing issues and affect billions of people every day. Our staunchly independent and proudly interdisciplinary approach yields nonpartisan and actionable research that people and institutions use to shape laws, inform policy, and influence society at large. The ABF is committed to the broad dissemination of its research findings to the organized bar, scholars, and the public. These findings are published in a wide range of forums, including leading academic journals, law reviews, and academic and commercial presses.

Mission

The ABF seeks to expand knowledge and advance justice through innovative, interdisciplinary, and rigorous empirical research on law, legal processes, and legal institutions. To further this mission, the ABF will produce timely, cutting-edge research of the highest quality to inform and guide the legal profession, the academy, and society in the United States and internationally.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

The ABF is committed to fostering a robust intellectual community that expands knowledge and advances justice through rigorous empirical and interdisciplinary research on law, legal processes, and legal institutions. Diverse voices and perspectives are a key part of our commitment to research with the capacity to inform the public and policy makers.

Research Faculty

The research program of the ABF is implemented through projects designed and conducted by the members of the ABF's resident research faculty. ABF Research Professors are among the leading scholars in their disciplines, which include anthropology, economics, history, law, political science, psychology, and sociology. A research project is undertaken only after the completion of an extensive review process. The internal review committee, an external review panel, the Research Committee of the ABF Board of Directors, and ultimately the full ABF Board must conclude that the proposed study will make a significant contribution to the field and that the research can be carried out with the appropriate standards of integrity, human subject protection, and scholarship.

Funding

The Foundation extends special thanks to the American Bar Endowment (ABE). The American Bar Endowment's grant of \$3,684,288 in fiscal year 2021-22 makes the ABE the ABF's largest supporter. Founded in 1942, the ABE is a charitable organization dedicated to improving the quality of justice in the United States by funding research, educational, and public service projects in the field of law. ABA members who participate in the ABE's group insurance programs can contribute to these efforts. Those members who participate in the ABE's insurance plans and allow the ABE to retain dividends payable on the group insurance policies provide essential support for the ABE's grant program. The Foundation would like to thank all ABA members who participate in ABE insurance plans and donate their dividends, along with the ABE, for the valuable funding they have provided.

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The Fellows of the American Bar Foundation

The Fellows of the American Bar Foundation is an organization of lawyers, judges, law faculty, and legal scholars who have been elected by their peers to become members of the Fellows because of their outstanding achievements in the legal profession. The Fellows support the research work of the American Bar Foundation through their annual contributions and sponsor seminars and events of direct relevance to leaders of the legal profession.

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Mission

The Fellows Research Advisory Committee (FRAC) works with the Director of the ABF and the Officers of the Fellows to organize the Fellows Research Seminars each year. It serves as a bridge between the research program of the American Bar Foundation and the profession, including the practicing bar, the judiciary, and legal education.

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Executive Director's Letter: Bryant G. Garth

It was my good fortune to return to the American Bar Foundation (ABF) this September as Interim Executive Director. One nice aspect of my return is to see that the ABF has changed in many positive ways since I was Executive Director (from 1990 until 2004). Most notably, the ABF is a much better fundraising entity, with the Fellows operation much larger and more effective than it was in the past. The graduate and post-graduate programs are also larger and contribute to a vibrant intellectual community. What has not changed is the quality of the research faculty. The ABF overall is in excellent shape after the tenure of Ajay K. Mehrotra as Executive Director. The relationships with our major constituencies are excellent, including the legal and interdisciplinary scholarly community within which we operate, the American Bar Endowment, our major funder; the Fellows of the American Bar Foundation, our second major source of funds; and the American Bar Association, with whom we are connected in numerous ways formally and informally. Ajay led the ABF through the difficult period of COVID, and now we have returned to much more in-person activity.

The faculty is in transition through new hires and retirements. In the past six years, seven new research professors and two new faculty fellows have joined the ABF. Research faculty now include two economists, which fills a gap that the ABF has had for several years. One, William H.J. Hubbard, also of the University of Chicago Law School, has already been an active contributor to our intellectual community, and the other, Jacob Goldin, will start next year. We also had one departure, Bernadette Atuahene, who moved full-time to the University of Wisconsin School of Law. There have been three senior retirements, Stephen Daniels and John Hagan already, and Terence Halliday will follow this year. We are fortunate that they will continue to be affiliated with the ABF in positions akin to Emeritus Faculty at universities.

One of our very recent hires, Reuben Jonathan Miller, also of the University of Chicago Crown Family School of Social Work, Policy, and Practice, received a MacArthur “genius” award this fall, which remarkably is the third such award to the ABF Faculty. He also won the Herbert Jacob Book Prize from the Law and Society Association, for his powerful and captivating book, *Halfway Home: Race, Punishment, and the Afterlife of Mass Incarceration* (Little Brown, 2021). Another remarkable prize-winning book is John Hagan’s co-authored book, with Bill McCarthy

and Daniel Herda: *Chicago’s Reckoning: Racism, Politics, and the Deep History of Policing in an American City* (OUP, 2022), which received the James Short Senior Scholar Award of the American Society of Criminology. The book shows how Chicago policing in the 1960s and after included torture, murder, and a lack of accountability up to the top, all oriented toward controlling and containing minority spaces in “hyper-segregated neighborhoods.” The result was “legal cynicism” with a measurable adverse impact on crime. These books exemplify the numerous ABF publications—including many discussed in this report—that combine ABF scholarly rigor with major insights on issues like racism, mass incarceration, policing, and crime.

I also want to draw attention to a very recent publication by Jothie Rajah, *Discounting Life: Necropolitical Law, Culture, and the Long War on Terror* (Cambridge, 2022), which boldly draws on textual analysis of major texts of the War on Terror, plus detailed research on the impacts of US policies, to raise major questions about how “law”—defined by due process protections, transparency, and sovereignty—is distorted in the “long war on terror.”

The JPB Foundation has also awarded another \$2 million grant for one of our other MacArthur Fellows, Rebecca Sandefur, to build two more cohorts of scholars in the field of Access to Justice. Professor Sandefur, working with Matthew Burnett, has already built a cohort of 13 scholars asking new and interesting questions about Access to Justice.

And as a final highlight, I want to note that, in spring 2023, you may notice some changes to the ABF’s look. We will be rolling out a rebrand to accompany a new ABF site and expect to unveil those changes to the public during the first quarter of next year.

The next Executive Director will join a remarkable community that encompasses not only our brilliant scholars, our talented and dedicated staff, and our engaged board of directors, but also generous supporters and partners. As always, we thank the American Bar Endowment for their annual, unrestricted grant, which has been essential to the life of the ABF. Also crucial is the generosity of the individuals who support us as ABF Fellows. We are also grateful to our longstanding and new grantors, including the National Science Foundation, the AccessLex Institute and, most recently, the JPB Foundation and the Urban Institute. We look forward to continuing these significant institutional relationships for many years to come.

—Bryant Garth

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Bryant Garth Named Interim Executive Director, Effective Sept. 1

Bryant Garth, Distinguished Professor Emeritus at the University of California, Irvine School of Law, will become the Interim Director of the American Bar Foundation (ABF), effective September 1, 2022. He has agreed to remain Interim Director until the ongoing director search is successfully completed. Garth had previously served as Director of the ABF from 1990 to 2004, currently sits on the Executive Coordinating Committee of the “After the J.D.” project, and is an Affiliated Research Professor at the ABF. He succeeds Ajay K. Mehrotra, who will stay with the ABF as a Research Professor.

“I cherish this extraordinary research organization and the talented people connected to it, and I loved my prior years as director of the ABF. Of course, I could not say no to the request to help out in the transition period,” said Garth. “I am looking forward to rejoining the ABF in this role and doing what I can to ensure a smooth transition for the next director.”

As Interim Director, Garth will be charged with building upon the distinction of the ABF as a premier institute for pathbreaking interdisciplinary, empirical research on law, legal processes, and legal institutions. In Garth’s previous time as director, the ABF saw substantial growth in research on the legal profession,

as well as groundbreaking research on inequality, the criminal justice system, and globalization. Garth helped launch the hallmark ABF study “After the JD.”

Garth’s own research focuses on the legal profession, the sociology of law, globalization, and legal education. He began his career working with Mauro Cappelletti on the Florence Access to Justice Project, which resulted in five published volumes. From there, he went on to publish many books, including *Dealing in Virtue: International Commercial Arbitration and the Construction of a Transnational Legal Order* (1996), *The Internationalization of Palace Wars: Lawyers, Economists, and the Contest to Transform Latin American States* (2002), *Law as Reproduction and Revolution: An Interconnected History* (2021), and, most recently, *The Globalization of Legal Education: A Critical Perspective* (2022). His research has won numerous accolades, including two Herbert Jacob Book Prizes and the Harry J. Kalven, Jr. Prize from the Law and Society Association.

Garth will join the ABF after an extraordinary year for the Foundation. The American Bar Endowment and the Fellows of the ABF continue to go above and beyond in their dedication to the ABF’s mission through their contributions. As the world begins to establish a new, post-pandemic normal, the ABF guided under Garth will remain resilient in our work to expand knowledge and advance justice.



Interim Executive Director Bryant Garth



The ABF is excited to preview our new logo, which will be integrated across all of our platforms in 2023 and 2024. Bold intersecting lines represent the ABF’s uniquely impactful work at the crossroads. We join law with the social sciences, connect researchers with practitioners, and help ideas meet action. In the new logo, the ABF is represented by the horizontal line—a steady foundation at the center of the many intersections of our work.

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The ABF Welcomes Three New Research Faculty Members

The ABF appointed three new scholars to its research community in September 2022: Jacob Goldin, William H.J. Hubbard, and Nour J. Abdul-Razzak. Goldin and Hubbard will be jointly appointed, Chicago-based Research Professors, and Abdul-Razzak will be a jointly appointed, D.C.-based Faculty Fellow. These scholars will join a robust community of researchers promoting the understanding of law and the advancement of justice through empirical and interdisciplinary research.

This cohort of law and economic scholars represents the ABF's commitment to stewarding research at the intersection of law and social science. These scholars bring to the ABF a wide range of expertise, from the economics of crime to economic analysis of civil procedure to U.S. tax policy and its effects on low-income households. Their joint appointments with the University of Chicago will leverage their skills as both scholars and educators and create a forum that further promotes public interaction with their work.

William H.J. Hubbard is a Professor of Law at the University of Chicago Law School. His current research involves economic analysis of litigation, courts, and civil procedure. From 2001 to 2006, he practiced law as a litigation associate at Mayer Brown LLP in Chicago, where he specialized in commercial litigation, electronic discovery, and appellate practice. Hubbard currently

serves as an editor of the *Journal of Legal Studies* and sits on the boards of the Society for Empirical Legal Studies and *Law and Development Review*.

Jacob Goldin is the Richard M. Lipton Professor of Tax Law at the University of Chicago Law School. His research focuses on how U.S. tax policy affects low-income households. His research also examines health policy, tax administration, and the application of behavioral economics to policy design. Prior to joining the University of Chicago Law School, Goldin was a Professor of Law at Stanford Law School. He has also clerked for Judge Richard Posner of the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals. Goldin will begin his joint appointment at the ABF in September 2023, after spending the 2022-23 academic year in the Office of Tax Policy at the U.S. Department of the Treasury.

Nour J. Abdul-Razzak is a Research Director at the University of Chicago Inclusive Economy Lab and a Research Associate at the University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy. She is an applied microeconomist whose research addresses the structural foundations of law and inequality. More specifically, her research addresses the economics of crime, criminal justice, health economics, urban economics, education, and political economy. At the Inclusive Economy Lab, she directs research projects related to guaranteed income, legal support for youth at risk of incarceration, and homelessness prevention.



William H.J. Hubbard



Jacob Goldin



Nour J. Abdul-Razzak

James Thuo Gathii Becomes the 2022-23 William H. Neukom Fellows Research Chair in Diversity and Law

James Thuo Gathii, Professor of Law and the Wing-Tat Lee Chair in International Law at Loyola University Chicago School of Law, has been named the 2022-23 Neukom Fellows Research Chair in Diversity and Law. Gathii is a leading legal researcher in the field of international law, focusing on public international law, international trade law, comparative constitutional law, human rights, and Third World Approaches to International Law (TWAAIL).

While at the ABF, Gathii will examine how race and racism have played a central role in the systemic marginalization of women, Black, and Indigenous peoples and people of color as practitioners in contentious cases before the International Court of Justice (ICJ). His project examines the benefits of having more practitioners from these excluded communities and groups. In particular, the research explores how viewpoint diversity can benefit ICJ decision-making by making it less abstract and a better reflection of the concrete controversies that come before it.

"I am delighted to join a truly superb group of scholars at the ABF during my time as Neukom Chair," said Gathii. "The ABF provides a great home for my research agenda on diversifying the epistemic content and membership of international legal academia and

practice. I look forward to being part of and learning from the ABF's vibrant academic environment and cutting-edge research."

His most recent published work includes *The Contested Empowerment of Kenya's Judiciary, 2010-2015: A Historical Institutional Analysis* (2016) and *The Performance of Africa's International Courts: Using Litigation for Political, Legal, and Social Change* (2020). In addition to his books, Gathii has authored over 90 articles and book chapters, and is a founding editor of the *Afromonicslaw* blog on international economic law issues relating to Africa and the Global South.

Gathii has worked on multiple fronts to steward more robust international research promoting human rights and equality, making him a stand-out candidate for the Neukom Chair. From 2012 to 2022, He served as an independent expert for the Working Group on Extractive Industries, Environment, and Human Rights Violations in Africa, formed by the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights. Gathii is also an expert member of the Working Group on Agricultural Land Investment Contracts of the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (UNIDROIT), the Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO), and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD). He also serves as an elected member of the International Academy of International Law.

Reuben J. Miller Named a 2022 MacArthur Fellow

At the start of the 2021-22 fiscal year, **Reuben J. Miller** was appointed as an ABF Research Professor. Miller is an Associate Professor in the Crown Family School of Social Work, Policy, and Practice. He is a sociologist, criminologist, social worker, and former chaplain at Chicago's Cook County Jail.

Miller's research focuses on mass incarceration, race, poverty, crime control, and social welfare policy. His first book, *Halfway Home: Race, Punishment, and the Afterlife of Mass Incarceration* (2021), was widely featured in media outlets, including the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, and NPR. His book tells the stories of previously incarcerated Americans and their struggle to rehabilitate into society. Based on fifteen years of research, his work uncovers how formally incarcerated individuals live under a "supervised society," facing barriers to jobs, apartments, and voting rights.

In October of 2022, the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation announced Miller as a 2022 MacArthur Fellow. Miller joins a cohort of scholars, artists, and scientists recognized by the MacArthur



James Thuo Gathii

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Foundation this year, who were all awarded a \$800,000 “Genius Grant”: an investment into the recipients’ originality, insight, and potential based on a track record of significant accomplishments.

“Professor Miller is an ideal recipient of the MacArthur Fellowship,” said ABF Interim Director Bryant Garth. “His deeply engaged and remarkably rigorous scholarship attests to the fact that he is making, and will continue to make, important contributions to essential social change.”

Miller’s next project will investigate the moral worlds of people society deems violent. The funding he has received will support him as he conducts hundreds of interviews with individuals convicted of violent crimes or identified as at risk of violent behavior. He will continue to model a way to write about his subjects in a way that does not reduce them to their hardships and illuminate to the public how the American carceral system reshapes individuals’ lives and relationships long after their time has been served.

The ABF Welcomes Two New Board Members

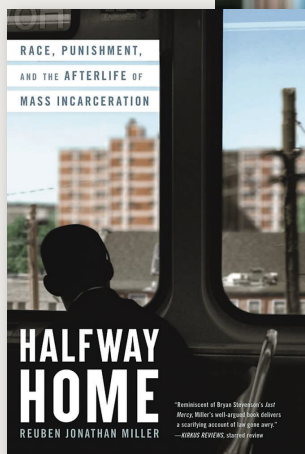
The American Bar Foundation has elected two new board members to its board of directors. Jo Ann Engelhardt and J. Anthony (Tony) Patterson Jr. were both elected to serve a five-year term, beginning September 1. They both bring

to the board years of experience in the practice of law and extensive histories of leadership.

The ABF board will enter the 2022-23 fiscal year guided by a new cohort of officers. Jimmy K. Goodman succeeds E. Thomas Sullivan as President. Sandra J. Chan will serve as Vice-President, Michael H. Byowitz will serve as Treasurer, and Lauren Robel will serve as Secretary. E. Thomas Sullivan and Doreen D. Dodson have retired from the board after years of dedication to the ABF’s mission of expanding knowledge and advancing justice.

Jo Ann Engelhardt is Managing Director and Senior Client Advisor at Bessemer Trust in Palm Beach. In this role, she leads a team responsible for providing clients with expertise proactive, highly personalized advice across Investment, Wealth Planning, and Family Office Services. She is a member of the American Bar Association (ABA), where she also serves as a delegate to the ABA House of Delegates and a member of the Council for Diversity in the Educational Pipeline. In addition, she is a Patron Fellow of the American Bar Foundation and a member of the President’s Club of the ABA Fund for Justice and Education.

J. Anthony (Tony) Patterson Jr. served on the board of the American Bar Endowment from 2008 to 2018 and as Board President from 2016 to 2018. He was also the Chief Administrative Officer and General Counsel of Kalispell Regional Healthcare/Kalispell Regional Medical



Reuben J. Miller



Jo Ann Engelhardt

Center, an integrated healthcare system principally serving Northwest Montana. Before joining Kalispell Regional Healthcare, Tony was a partner in the Health Law Section of Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. (now Norton Rose Fulbright) in Dallas. He has over 40 years of experience representing both business and individual clients in a broad range of real estate, joint venture, and contractual arrangement transactions.

Multiple ABF Research Faculty Members Recognized at Law & Society Association (LSA) Awards in Lisbon, Portugal, for Contributions to Law and Society

Prizes awarded each year at the LSA Annual Meeting on Law & Society represent the very best interdisciplinary empirical scholarship designed to interrogate the relationship between law and society. Multiple ABF researchers were recognized with this honor at this year's meeting in Lisbon, Portugal, in a hybrid format from July 13 to 15.

Elizabeth Mertz, ABF Research Professor and the John and Rylla Bosshard Professor of Law Emerita at the University of Wisconsin Law School, has received two recognitions from the LSA this year. She has won the Harry J. Kalven, Jr. Prize in recognition of her legal scholarship on law and language. She has also received

the Stan Wheeler Mentorship Award for her steadfast guidance to junior scholars and her commitment to legal education.

Reuben Jonathan Miller, ABF Research Professor and Associate Professor at the University of Chicago Crown Family School of Social Work, Policy, and Practice, has won the Herbert Jacob Book Prize for *Halfway Home: Race, Punishment, and the Afterlife of Mass Incarceration* (2022). Drawing on 15 years of person experience, he provides an account of the suppressive afterlife of imprisonment.

Spencer Headworth, ABF Affiliated Scholar and Assistant Professor of Sociology at Purdue University, received an Honorable Mention for the Herbert Jacob Book Prize for his work studying crime, social control, and inequality. His book *Policing Welfare: Punitive Adversarialism in Public Assistance* (2021) was recognized for its analysis of welfare fraud control units, a novel intersection between the worlds of public benefits and law enforcement.

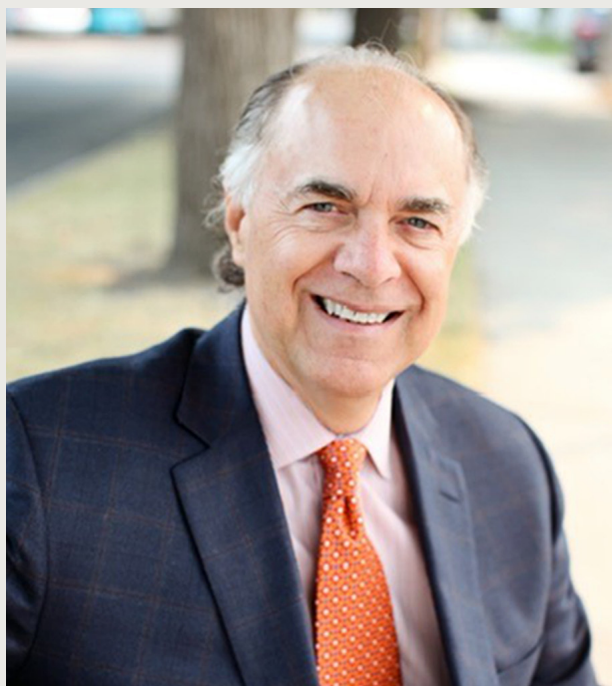
Swethaa Ballakrishnen, Associate Professor of Law at the University of California, Irvine and former ABF/AccessLex Visiting Scholar on Legal Education, received an Honorable Mention for the Herbert Jacob Book Prize for *Accidental Feminism: Gender Parity and Selective Mobility Among India's Professional Elite* (2021), which was completed during their time at the ABF.

Several ABF Research Professors participated in panels and presentations at this year's LSA meeting, including **Tom Ginsburg**, **Laura Beth Nielsen**, **Terence Halliday**, **Shari Seidman Diamond**, **Ajay K. Mehrotra**, **Carol A. Heimer**, **Jothie Rajah**, **Janice Nadler**, **Stephen Daniels**, and **Robert L. Nelson**. A number of current and formerly affiliated ABF scholars presented as well, including **Charquia Wright** (ABF/AccessLex Post-Doctoral Fellow), **Christopher Ryan** (Affiliated Scholar), **Carole Silver** (Affiliated Scholar), **Meghan Dawe** (Research Social Scientist), **Shih-Chun Steven Chien** (former Research Social Scientist), **Christopher Mathis** (former ABF/AccessLex Doctoral Fellow), and **Elizabeth Bodamer** (former ABF/AccessLex Doctoral Fellow).

ABF Launches Inaugural Hubbard Conference on Law and Education

On February 25, 2022, the ABF cohosted the inaugural William Hubbard Conference on Law & Education in partnership with the University of South Carolina School of Law. The conference's keynote address was given virtually by Martha Minow, former dean of Harvard Law School, and moderated by Elizabeth Anderson, the Executive Director of the World Justice Project.

Led by a generous initial investment from ABF Philanthropist Fellow, William H. Neukom, the ABF



J. Anthony (Tony) Patterson Jr.

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established the *William C. Hubbard Law & Education Conference Endowment* in 2019. The endowment funds this inaugural Hubbard Conference as well as future events that recognize and disseminate innovative and significant research on law and education. Hubbard, a Leadership Fellow of the ABF, is a past President of the ABF and current Dean of the University of South Carolina School of Law. All conferences supported by this endowment will honor Hubbard's lifelong contribution to the legal profession and his continued interest in law and education.

At a dinner the evening before the conference, American Bar Association President Reggie Turner, will present the first-ever ABF Lifetime Achievement Award in Law and Education. This Lifetime Achievement Award will be presented to former South Carolina Governor and former Secretary of Education Richard (Dick) W. Riley. With this award, the ABF wishes to recognize Mr. Riley's lifelong leadership, commitment and passion for improving education in the United States and abroad.

"I am so pleased that Secretary Riley will be honored with the ABF's Lifetime Achievement Award," Dean William Hubbard said. "There is no more fitting occasion to present this award than at this inaugural conference

on law and education. Secretary Riley has given unwavering leadership as South Carolina Governor and as Secretary of Education under President Clinton. He is truly an unrivaled ambassador for improving education, teaching, and opportunity for all. We are so proud to have this global leader and noble South Carolinian be honored in this way."

ABF Hosts Ruth Bader Ginsburg Endowed Fund Cocktail Reception with NPR's Nina Totenberg

As a tribute to past ABF Board Member Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and the significant impact she had on the institution, in October 2021 the ABF proudly established the Ruth Bader Ginsburg Endowed Fund for Research in Civil Rights & Gender Equality (RBG Fund).

On July 27, 2022, the ABF hosted a cocktail reception to celebrate the RBG Fund at the University Club of Washington, DC, just steps away from Capitol Hill, where the late Justice spent her career fiercely advocating for equal rights under the law.

This event featured Nina Totenberg, NPR's award-winning legal affairs correspondent, in conversation



William Hubbard and Tom Ginsburg gave remarks at the inaugural Hubbard Conference on Law and Education in February 2022.

with **E. Thomas Sullivan**, President of the ABF and President Emeritus and Professor of Political Science at the University of Vermont, and Kelsi Brown Corkran, Supreme Court Director at the Institute for Constitutional Advocacy and Protection, Senior Lecturer at Georgetown University Law Center, and former clerk to Justice Ginsburg.

Totenberg spoke about the contents of her new book, *Dinners with Ruth: A Memoir on the Power of Friendships*. *Dinners with Ruth* is a personal memoir of Totenberg's personal successes, struggles, and life-affirming relationships, including her friendship of nearly fifty years with Justice Ginsburg.

ABF Publishes Second Half of Season 1 of *Whose Law is it Anyway?*

In 2021, ABF premiered the *Whose Law is it Anyway?* podcast, which explores U.S. and international social issues and legal challenges through exclusive interviews with ABF-affiliated scholars, experts, and legal practitioners.

The first half of Season 1 was very well received, both across the ABF and within the sociolegal research

community. The second half of the season was equally well-received, with its compelling, in-depth conversations with a diverse range of voices.

Episode Six, titled "Courting Civil Rights," features ABF Research Professor **Christopher Schmidt** and ABF Life Fellow **Paul Smith**, Professor from Practice at Georgetown University and Vice President for Litigation and Strategy at the Campaign Legal Center. This episode details the origins of the United States Supreme Court and the pursuits of civil rights. These guests address the Supreme Court's purpose, how it's evolved over time, and how effective a tool the Supreme Court is for moving civil rights forward.

Episode Seven, titled "Rule of Law: World Tour," features ABF Research Professor **Terence Halliday** and National Judicial College President **Judge Benes Z. Aldana**. This episode explores the rule of law and its relationship with legal professionals and the public around the world.

The season finale, titled "When Law Meets Society," explores the ABF's significance, seventy years after its inception. **Ajay K. Mehrotra** joins the episode to explore how the ABF can continue to promote the type of research that creates a more just world.



Whose Law Is It Anyway?



E. Thomas Sullivan in conversation with Nina Totenberg at the Ruth Bader Ginsburg Endowed Fund Cocktail Reception in Washington, D.C., in July 2021.

Research Program

ABF research is conducted by a residential research faculty and over fifty affiliated scholars from across the nation and the world. The ABF is recognized as a thought leader and a source of research that shapes law and policy. The research projects presented below reflect research questions and findings from the past several years. These projects are representative, but by no means exhaustive, of the ABF's collective research efforts and achievements.



Learning and Practicing Law

After the JD

Robert L. Nelson, Ronit Dinovitzer, Bryant Garth, Joyce Sterling, David B. Wilkins, Meghan Dawe, and Ethan Michelson

The ABF has long been recognized as the leading source of research on legal education and the profession. One of the ABF's hallmark projects in this area is *After the JD* (AJD), the first national study of legal careers. AJD is following a large national sample of lawyers admitted to the bar in 2000 over the first decade-plus of their careers, providing a unique source of information on the changing nature of legal careers. The study design was longitudinal: the first cohort of lawyers was surveyed in 2002, the second in 2007, and the third in 2012.

Alternative Legal Professionals

Stephen Daniels

The lack of access to competent legal assistance because of the absence of resources, social capital, awareness, or because of geographic distance is described as a justice gap. The existence of this gap is uncontested, and the gap is wide. In response, bar groups, the courts, and academic commentators are giving increasing attention to a range of access-enhancing innovations all of which share a greater role for nonlawyers. This project explores the recent diffusion of one of those innovations, an especially important one; Washington State's Limited Licensed Legal Practitioner Program is the first licensed, mid-level professional authorized by a state to perform certain kinds of "substantive law-related work" without the supervision of an attorney.

The Financing of Legal Education

Stephen Daniels

The American Bar Association's Task Force on Legal Education examined the student costs associated with legal education, specifically educational debt and financial aid and scholarships. As the task force's consultant and

reporter, Stephen Daniels has been continuing the work by analyzing existing data and collecting additional materials on the changing dynamics of legal education. The project's objective has three main components:

- Explore questions on patterns and changes surrounding the financing of legal education over time, including enrollment, applications, tuition, and employment outcomes for graduates.
- Gather student-level data from the annual LSSSE (Law School Survey of Student Engagement) surveys and other sources to explore patterns and changes related to students and their views on legal education, key services provided by schools, and information on students themselves.
- Gather information from law school websites and other sources to explore recent changes and innovations in response to the changing law school environment.

The Future of Latinos in the United States

Robert L. Nelson and Rachel F. Moran

Former ABF Neukom Chair Rachel F. Moran and ABF Research Professor Robert L. Nelson codirect the major research and planning initiative *The Future of Latinos in the United States: Law, Opportunity, and Mobility*. The Future of Latinos is a nationwide, interdisciplinary project dedicated to understanding and advancing research on:

- The current condition of the Latinx community in the United States.
- The structural barriers that impede full equality and integration for this emerging population.
- The sites of intervention that promise to be most effective in promoting opportunity and mobility through law and policy.

Since its launch in 2015, the initiative has convened leading national policy makers and experts for a series of national roundtable events focused on identifying existing research and resources, understanding social and legal barriers to opportunity, developing reform recommendations that support full integration and

inclusion, and cultivating a new generation of young Latinx leaders. In 2020, the University of California, Irvine became the campus home for the Future of Latinos research project.

This year, the University of California, Irvine launched a Future of Latinos Book Talk Series, “Reimagining the Latinx Experience in America,” which highlights scholars across disciplines who are publishing on issues affecting the Latinx community. The series pushes attendees to think about the realities—past and present—of Latinx people in the United States and how the future may look different, including better access to justice, resources, and opportunities. Recordings of these are available on the Future of Latinos homepage at UCI Law.

The Language of Law Professors

Elizabeth Mertz and Frances Tung

This project examines law professors “in their own voices,” using sensitive linguistic methods to tease out subtleties in how professors understand their situations. At a time when law schools are under much public scrutiny, accused of failing their students, this set of extended studies will help us understand how current pressures are affecting professional identity for law professors. The project also seeks to analyze intersections of gender and race—as well as the many clues that individuals give us, through their unfiltered accounts, about what is important to them in building new generations of lawyers. How would they tell their stories in their own words? This project addresses that issue by focusing on three specific areas: (1) law professors’ freely written autobiographical accounts (in published materials) as compared with their survey and interview responses; (2) in-depth career interviews and selected online observations with a small subset of professors; (3) and, finally, observation of regular institutionalized interactions such as faculty seminars.

Portrait Project 2.0

Ajay K. Mehrotra, Hon. Goodwin Liu, Tyler Dang, Katherine Fang, and Michael Tayag

Asian Americans are a growing presence in all sectors of the legal profession. They work in BigLaw and in smaller firms and solo practice and as government attorneys, corporate counsel, prosecutors, public defenders, judges, and more. But they fall short in attaining leadership positions and have the highest attrition rates from major law firms. Research has not substantially studied the many ways in which Asian American lawyers and law students struggle and thrive, and the unique incentives and constraints that shape their career paths.

2022 saw the release of the report “A Portrait of Asian Americans in the Law 2.0: Identity and Action in Challenging Times.” Since the COVID-19 pandemic, Asian American populations in the United States have experienced a disturbing rise in anti-Asian hate and violence. One in six Asian Americans reported experiencing a hate incident in 2021, up from one in eight in 2020. As a continuation of the earlier 2017 Portrait Project report, this study once again canvases Asian American attorneys for insights into law school enrollment, career advancement, and political participation.

This project is supported by the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association (NAPABA), Asian American Bar Association—Greater Bay Area, Asian Pacific American Bar Association—Silicon Valley, Asian American Bar Association of New York, Asian American Law Fund of New York, Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law, Oscar M. Ruebhausen Fund at Yale Law School, Arnold & Porter, Davis Polk, Davis Wright Tremaine, Haynes and Boone, Latham & Watkins, Microsoft and its API employee network, Sylvia Chin, Carol F. Lee, and an anonymous donor.

The Rise of Lawyer Activism in China

Terence Halliday and Sida Liu

Following their earlier research on the lawyers and defense of basic legal freedoms in China, Terence Halliday and Sida Liu’s current project addresses the question: how does an international legal complex shape struggles over basic legal freedoms within China? The present moment may be a critical historical juncture for China and in China’s relations with the United States and other states, institutions, and publics. This project is creating an empirically grounded understanding of activism to influence legal change within China and China’s role as an actor within international arenas to shape global norms and practices on legal rights and freedoms. The project collects and analyzes three bodies of new data from 2015 to 2024 with a dedicated focus on international legal organizations, civil society, and governance:

- Archival and documentary analysis of international organizations and international governance institutions.
- Interviews with state and nonstate actors in international arenas.
- Participant observation in civil society and governance settings. The project has major salience for legal rights in China, for national and international policymaking on China, and for international civil society and publics.

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Senior Status, Gender, and Race in the Legal and Liberal Arts Academies

Elizabeth Mertz, Meghan Dawe, Frances Tung, and Katherine Barnes

This is the first in-depth examination of the lives of post-tenure law professors in the United States. Post-tenure law professors play an important role in the American legal system by directing the initial screening and training of lawyers. Legal academics can also directly affect the conceptualization of national and local legal issues through their scholarship, or through their own personal involvement as advocates, judges, or government officials. In addition to its contribution to our knowledge of law professors, the study also speaks to a larger body of literature on both the legal profession and the academy. The study involved a national survey of over 1,000 of these professors and follow-up interviews with 100 of the survey participants.

In their analysis of the experiences of these tenured law professors, Mertz and her colleagues have found that:

- Nearly 39% of U.S. tenured law professors teach in the 50 top-ranked law schools in the country, as compared to the remaining three tiers (comprising 129 additional schools). Most law professors (60%) teach in private institutions.
- Educational levels of the mothers of professors of color and white women tended to be higher than those of white men.
- The vast majority of professors reported feeling respected and comfortable in their teaching positions, with 96% feeling respected by students and 98% feeling comfortable in the classroom.
- Despite the fact that most tenured law professors expressed overall satisfaction with their work lives, female professors and professors of color reported differentially negative experiences.



Protecting Rights, Accessing Justice

Access to Justice Research Initiative

Rebecca Sandefur

ABF scholars have long been deeply engaged with fundamental questions of access to justice. Rebecca Sandefur's research on access to justice and civil legal needs continues this tradition through innovative empirical research and symposia that bridges the divides of scholarship and practice. Sandefur's research produces new knowledge that informs our basic understanding of law and legal processes and is a powerful resource for policy makers and service providers as they seek to respond to the legal needs of the public today. Within this project, Sandefur has studied legally empowering technologies, civil legal aid, and legal aid beyond licensed lawyers.

Consent to Sex on Campus: How Undergraduates Understand and Enact Sexual Consent in the Title IX Era

Laura Beth Nielsen

Laura Beth Nielsen is studying the impact (if any) of the Obama-era "Dear Colleague" letter (DCL) on undergraduates at universities, as they relate to drinking, drugs, and sexual activity. The project combines a large-scale quantitative analysis of Title IX compliance policies at a national, random sample of universities with a large-scale, in-person interview phase with undergraduates at five college campuses in the Midwest about Title IX compliance regarding sexual assault among undergraduates. The study builds on Nielsen's previous scholarly work investigating the dissemination of information about civil rights, how organizations respond when they are responsible for enforcement, the institutional structures that impede or facilitate the achievement of the goals of the civil rights movement, and, most importantly, how, if at all, ordinary people think about, integrate, and ignore law as they go about their daily life.

Nielsen published two journal articles that outline the project's findings thus far. "Misunderstanding Law: Undergraduates' Analysis of Campus Title IX Policies," was published in *Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis*. This article demonstrated that 1) intended subjects of the law (colleges and universities) interpret and frame the law in very similar ways; 2) resultant policies are

complex and difficult to navigate; and 3) university undergraduates in an experimental setting are not able to comprehend the Title IX policies designed to protect them. In the second article, “The Exonerating ‘Guise of Brotherhood’: Intra-Fraternal Sexual Violence Survivors’ Accounts of Illegibility and Impunity,” published in *Men and Masculinities*, documents men’s experiences of intra-fraternal sexual violence. Findings from interviews show how the brotherhood discourse deploys resources and power differently to fraternity brothers based on their intersectional location and relationship to intra-fraternal sexual violence.

Constructing Feminized Courts and Carceral Institutions: Gender, the Legal Regulation of Race, and the Making of Modern Criminal Justice

Tera Agyepong

The study, which focuses on the twentieth-century emergence of women’s courts and carceral institutions for girls, will elucidate the ways in which gender has shaped racialized processes of criminalization in Illinois and New York. By exploring the advent of these institutions alongside the ideals that guided their institutional practices, Tera Agyepong will shed light on the kinds of local-level processes that undergird the modern criminal justice system.

Latino Voting Participation

Ian Haney López

His project examines Latino voting participation with a particular focus on responses to racialized rhetoric that demonizes “illegal aliens.” Ian Haney López is studying the connection between electoral rhetoric and racial identity, as well as the link between racial beliefs and public policy.

Policing and Political Participation

Traci Burch

Despite the prominence of policing and police misconduct on the national agenda, scholars still know very little about the extent to which police act in ways that are contrary to the public good and public safety. Primarily, this lack of information stems from a lack of data and analytical techniques that can be used to examine policing. This project addresses this important dearth of information and will develop measures of problem policing over a series of papers and attempt to examine the effects of problem policing on voter turnout

and political protest. It will result in a book manuscript—the first to attempt to measure multiple forms of problematic policing and to examine their effects both separately and simultaneously.

Burch has added two journal articles to her research on this project. “Officer-Involved Killings and the Repression of Protest,” published in *Urban Affairs Review*, explores the likelihood that officer-involved killings affect protest. “Adding Insult to Injury: The Justification Frame in Official Narratives of Officer-Involved Killings,” published in the *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics*, identifies the justification frame as a common narrative used by public officials to justify the use of lethal force by police.

The Probative Versus Prejudicial Effect of Gruesome Photographs in Court

Janice Nadler

Lawyers, judges, and juries are faced with a barrage of evidence and arguments displayed in visual form—sometimes gruesome in nature. Advances in handheld video technology have made it commonplace for accidents and crimes to be visually recorded. In the past decade, the use of visual evidence and arguments during legal proceedings has exploded, but empirical research on the effects of these tools for visual meaning making has barely begun. Trials have always been battles over competing stories, but now these stories are being told through displays on courtroom screens. Courtroom images can influence beliefs, emotions, and judgments in ways that have never been empirically examined. This project investigates how these emotionally evocative modes of visual evidence can affect the psychology of jurors’ decision-making processes, through influence on emotions, attention to evidence, and legal judgments at the individual and group level.

Nadler and her colleagues are undertaking a set of experiments that represent a theoretically driven and nuanced evaluation of how and why emotionally evocative photographs affect guilt and punishment judgments. The first results of this research have been outlined in Nadler’s article “Assigning Punishment: Reader Responses to Crime News” in *Frontiers in Psychology*. The study described in this article tests how the composition of crime news articles contributes to reader perceptions of the moral blameworthiness of vehicular homicide offenders.

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Public Opinion, Private Governance, and the Influence of Source Credibility

Janice Nadler

This project seeks to explore whether corporate endorsements and implementations of practices influence public support for legislation and regulation that would generally mandate such practices. While scholars have addressed the effects of popular media and the rise of a hyperpoliticized media on popular attitudes and the production of law, they have largely ignored the possible effects of corporate endorsements and the implementation of practices on popular attitudes and, hence, the lawmaking and regulatory processes. This project aims to fill that gap in the literature, building on experimental surveys, case studies, and theoretical analysis.

Race, Racism and International Law

James Thuo Gathii

Gathii's research is examining how race and racism have played a central role in the systemic marginalization of women, indigenous peoples and people of color as practitioners in contentious cases before the International Court of Justice (ICJ). His project examines the benefits of having more practitioners from these excluded communities and groups. In particular, the research

explores how viewpoint diversity can benefit ICJ decision-making by making it less abstract and a better reflection of the concrete controversies that come before it.

Racial/Ethnic Inequalities in Paternal Imprisonment, Investment in Families and Schools, and Child Educational Inequality

John Hagan and Holly Foster

For at least three decades, African American parents and their adolescent children have been at disproportionate risk of being imprisoned and removed from their families and communities. Some of these parents and children are now slowly returning to society. The primary goal of this research is to increase understanding of processes leading into and out of the exclusionary traps of mass incarceration experienced by these parents and children. This program is now supported by a National Science Foundation grant.

In February of 2022, Hagan published *Chicago's Reckoning: Racism, Politics, and the History of Policing in an American City*. This book is about the reckoning resulting from the racialized politics of policing and crime in Chicago as well as other American cities. Chicago, like many other cities, has a long history of police abuse of Black and Brown men, women, and communities. Yet it



is unique in having ignored the systematic torture of more than one hundred Black men by Police Commander and Detective Jon Burge and a “midnight crew” of officers he supervised. The torture began in the 1970s and lasted for several decades. The Burge torture scandal powerfully symbolizes the resulting racial reckoning that Chicago is confronting today.

Regulating the Crisis: An Exploratory Study of Landlord Responses to Pandemic-Era Tenant Protection Regulations

Anna Reosti

This project examines how landlords are impacting the implementation and effects of pro-tenant regulations during the pandemic though their ground-level business practices and interactions with tenants. The initial phase of this study will investigate how landlords are responding to the immediate challenges of the pandemic for the rental industry; namely missed rental payments and a changing regulatory environment. Phase I of the project will draw on in-depth interviews with a diverse group of Chicago area landlords and other rental industry agents, housing advocates and policymakers, and distressed renters.

Science and the Legal System

Shari Seidman Diamond and Richad O. Lempert

Shari Seidman Diamond's research with Richard O. Lempert considers the relationship between scientists and engineers and the legal system. More specifically, this project seeks to understand how scientists have experienced their interactions with the legal system. Surveys and in-depth interviews have yielded a wealth of findings, including the following:

- Most of the scientists and engineers surveyed agreed to participate in lawsuits when asked, more often for educational and moral reasons than financial.
- If the scientists and engineers refused to participate in lawsuits when asked, it was mainly because they lacked the time or relevant expertise.
- Some of the scientists and engineers reported being uncomfortable with adversarial legal proceedings and would be more likely to participate in the future if procedural changes were made.
- These changes include having the opportunity to meet with an opposing trial expert and write a mutual report and being able to serve as an expert appointed by the judge instead of on behalf of a certain legal party.



Making and Implementing Law

Buddhism and Constitutional Law

Tom Ginsburg

This project investigates the role, influence, and transformations of Buddhism in the context of Asian constitutional practice, past and present. This topic is one that has not been studied, even as the role of Buddhism in constitutional politics is increasingly prominent, and many countries of the region are in the midst of significant transformations. Bringing together scholars with diverse areas of expertise and disciplinary training, both US-based and international, the project will, for the first time, elucidate the relationship between Buddhism and constitutional law in comparative perspective. An accompanying workshop will produce an edited volume in a prominent series and a journal section, while also supporting graduate student mentoring and informing policy-making.

Legal Characteristics of International Organizations

Tom Ginsburg

This project aims to examine the legal characteristics of international organizations (IOs), or organizations of multiple states, formed under international law and serving as major actors on the international stage. The project will produce the first publicly available database of IO legal characteristics, including IO powers, voting rules, budget processes, immunities, secretariat, systems of dispute resolution, and more.

This database will for the first time elucidate the most common legal features, in terms of powers, immunities and decision-making structures, that are characteristic of IOs. This in turn will help to clarify the sometimes-fuzzy definition of IOs that is standard in academic accounts, informing legal decision-makers and improving our understanding of the relationship between democracy and international law.

In 2021, Ginsburg analyzed the role of IOs and governments across the globe during times of crisis in the journal article, “The Bound Executive: Emergency Powers During the Pandemic,” published in the *International Journal of Constitutional Law*. This project's research has also been outlined in a book published in 2021, *Democracies and International Law* (Cambridge University Press). This book shows that, as the balance of power between democracies and non-democracies

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shifts, it will have consequences for the international legal order. Ranging across several continents, the book surveys the state of democracy-enhancing international law and provides ideas for a way forward in the face of rising authoritarianism.

The Legal Transformation of Medicine: How Rules Work in the International World of HIV/AIDS

Carol Heimer

This book project braids together investigations of three transformative events—the “legalization” and globalization of medicine and the advent of HIV/AIDS—in a study of how laws, regulations and other rules are actually used in HIV research and treatment in the United States, Uganda, South Africa, and Thailand. It investigates what happens when laws, regulations, and guidelines, admittedly created with the best of intentions, are transported to new sites where they confront the realities of medical care, clinical research, and healthcare administration in developing countries—resource shortages, desperate patients, culturally-based miscommunications about ethical principles, discrepancies between first-world research designs and third-world research settings, as well as the mundane uncertainties typical of the encounter between medicine and human biology. The project combines an examination of what has happened at the level of national and international policymaking with a close look at how the plethora of laws, regulations, rules, guidelines, codes, protocols, frameworks, and standard operating procedures actually affect how healthcare workers do their jobs. The book manuscript is now under review at a major university press.

Our Court: A New History of the United States Supreme Court

Christopher W. Schmidt

This book project examines the evolution of the United States Supreme Court’s relationship with various extrajudicial actors—from presidents to public interest groups to everyday citizens—over the past century. At the heart of this study are the attitudes, expectations, practices, and institutions that connect the Court to American society and American society to the Court. This project asks why, in the period from 1930 to today, the Supreme Court evolved from an institution that was generally understood as standing apart from the American society—as a distant force, exerting its

authority over the American people and their governing institutions, often quite controversially, but operating at a Vatican-like remove—to an institution that politicians, reformers, and much of the public treat as an integral component of American political and cultural life. There are two sides to the story I intend to tell. One centers on changing politics and culture—changes in what the various actors outside the Court expect of the justices. The other explores changing judicial norms and behavior—changes in how the justices of the Supreme Court understand and express their relationship to American society.

Rule of Law Discourses

Jothie Rajah

“Rule of law” is a concept and category that is incessantly invoked in the international public domain. At different times and in different hands, a range of different meanings has attached to “rule of law.” In response to the impact of the post-9/11 rule of law, this project includes both doctrinal and non-doctrinal articulations of meanings, values, and relations for rule of law.

In 2022, Rajah published *Discounting Life: Law, Culture, and the Long War on Terror* (Cambridge University Press). This book examines how extrajudicial, extraterritorial killings of War on Terror enemies by the U.S. state have become the new normal. Alongside targeted individuals, unnamed and uncounted others die and are maimed. Despite the absence of law’s conventional sites, processes, and actors, the U.S. state celebrates these killings as the realization of “justice.” Meanwhile, images, narratives, and affect do the work of law: authorizing and legitimizing the discounting of some lives so that others—implicitly, American nationals—may live. How then, as we live through this unending, globalized war, are we to make sense of law in relation to the valuing of life? Adopting an interdisciplinary approach to law and interrogating the U.S. state’s justifications for the project of counterterrorism, this book’s temporal arc, the long War on Terror, illuminates the profound continuities and many guises for racialized, imperial violence informing the contemporary discounting of life.

Surrogate Decision Making

Susan Shapiro

The vast majority of Americans (even sick and elderly ones) have no advance directive, such as naming and empowering a proxy or surrogate decision maker or setting forth a living will. How is it, then, that those who serve as our surrogates decide for us? Susan P. Shapiro

studies this and other relevant questions about surrogate decision making in this research project. She explores how fiduciaries who act on behalf of the most vulnerable exercise their responsibilities.

The study is set in two intensive care units of a large urban teaching hospital servicing a very demographically diverse body of patients, many of whom are unable to make their own medical decisions. The study involves the unobtrusive study of day-to-day interactions between health care providers and patient families, friends, guardians, and significant others as decisions are made to pursue aggressive medical care, withhold, or withdraw life support, or donate organs. Shapiro also collects information on how healthcare providers interact with these spokespersons for their patients, the conditions under which they confer with them, and how they frame the issues, advise them, and influence the decisions.

Trust 2.0: Law, Social Control, and New Technologies of Trust

Susan Shapiro

Observers of the world of trust or fiduciary relationships have identified an evolution from institutional trust—which flows upward from individuals to states, organizations, and third parties—to distributed trust—which “flows laterally between individuals, enabled by networks, platforms, and systems”—for example, the difference between the dollar and bitcoin, the New York Stock Exchange and Kickstarter, the *New York Times* and Facebook, or the United Way and GoFundMe. Fueled by new technologies, distributed trust is often virtual, digital, global, decentralized, algocratic, and sometimes structured to escape legal or government oversight. This capstone project revisits Shapiro’s scholarship on “traditional” institutional trust to examine the legal and social control of computer-mediated distributed trust—what Shapiro calls Trust 2.0. The project will survey new developments in the role of law, regulation, and social control of trust in the internet age. It will examine the opportunities, strategies, efficacy, and limitations of these measures. It will explore the often-belated scrutiny by legal institutions of forms of trust that intentionally sought to escape state or legal oversight. It will examine how this regulatory landscape has evolved over the relatively short lifespan of Trust 2.0.

The VAT Laggard: A Comparative History of U.S. Resistance to the Value-Added Tax

Ajay K. Mehrotra

This project seeks to explore how and why the United States has historically rejected national consumption taxes. Nearly all developed, industrialized countries, and many in the developing world, have a national consumption tax in the form of a Value-Added Tax (VAT), except for the United States. So why no VAT in the United States?

In addressing this research question, this project explores three key historical periods:

- The 1920s, when tax theorists in the United States and Germany first began to conceptualize, formulate, and propose crude forms of value-added taxes.
- The decades of the mid-twentieth century when the United States seriously considered but rejected national consumption taxes aimed at raising revenue for World War II. Similarly, after the war, during the U.S. occupation of Japan, American economic experts designed and implemented a proto-VAT for Japan that was adopted for a short period.
- During the 1970s and '80s, American lawmakers considered and even supported a U.S. VAT, but they eventually withdrew their support or were ousted from political office for recommending a VAT. At the same time, other developed countries, such as Japan and Canada, began to move towards a national VAT.

By focusing on these three key historical periods from a comparative perspective, this project seeks to study how and why the U.S. has failed to adopt national consumption taxes like the VAT.

In 2022, Mehrotra published two journal articles summarizing his research. “Experts, Democracy and the Historical Irony of U.S. Tax Policy: Thomas S. Adams and the Beginnings of the Value-Added Tax,” published in *Modern American History*, analyzes the work of Thomas S. Adams, who is identified as one of the intellectual pioneers of the modern VAT. “The Missing U.S. VAT: Economic Inequality, American Fiscal Exceptionalism, and the Historical U.S. Resistance to National Consumption Taxes,” published in *Northwestern University Law Review*, examines why the U.S. is an outlier in global comparisons of national taxes and contemplates why there is no U.S. VAT.

Research Faculty



Tera Agyepong

J.D./Ph.D., Northwestern University School of Law, Department of African American Studies

Joint Appointment: Associate Professor of Legal History and African American History, DePaul University.

Research Interests: *Intersections of race, gender, history, family and the law; how the historical construction of race and gender have shaped criminal and juvenile justice laws.*

Current ABF Project:

- Constructing Feminized Courts and Carceral Institutions: Gender, the Legal Regulation of Race, and the Making of Modern Criminal Justice



Traci Burch

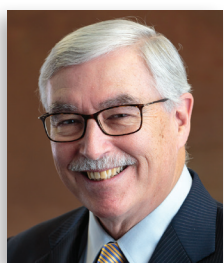
Ph.D., Government and Social Policy, Harvard University

Joint Appointment: Associate Professor of Political Science, Northwestern University

Research Interests: *U.S. criminal justice system, political behavior, and structural inequality.*

Current ABF Project:

- Policing and Political Participation



Stephen Daniels

Ph.D., Political Science, University of Wisconsin–Madison

Research Interests: *Law and public policy, legal education, the legal profession, the American civil justice system, the delivery of legal services, and the politics of civil justice reform.*

Current ABF Projects:

- Alternative Legal Professionals
- The Financing of Legal Education



Shari Seidman Diamond

Ph.D., Social Psychology, Northwestern University

J.D., University of Chicago

Joint Appointment: Howard J. Trienens Professor of Law and Professor of Psychology, Northwestern University, Pritzker School of Law

Research Interests: *Legal decision-making, including conflicts between expertise and impartiality, discretion, and control; equality and individuation; and science and law. Research addresses how these conflicts influence jury and judicial decision-making, judgments about fairness, and how courts use and fail to make use of scientific evidence.*

Current ABF Project:

- Science and the Legal System

Research Professors



James Thuo Gathii

William H. Neukom Fellows Research Chair in Diversity and Law (2022-23)

S.J.D., Harvard Law School Diploma in the Practice of Law, Kenya School of Law

Joint Appointment: Wing-Tat Lee Chair in International Law and Professor of Law at Loyola University Chicago School of Law

Research Interests: Public international law, international trade law, comparative constitutional law, human rights, and *Third World Approaches to International Law (TWAIL)*.

Current ABF Project:

- Race, Racism and International Law



Tom Ginsburg

Ph.D., Jurisprudence and Social Policy, University of California, Berkeley

J.D., University of California, Berkeley School of Law

Joint Appointment: Leo Spitz Professor of Law and Professor of Political Science, University of Chicago

Research Interests: The drafting, design, and implementation of national constitutions; legal reform in Northeast Asia; international law; and judicial independence.

Current ABF Projects:

- Buddhism and Constitutional Law
- Legal Characteristics of International Organizations



John Hagan

Ph.D., Sociology, University of Alberta

Joint Appointment: John D. MacArthur Professor of Sociology and Law, Northwestern University

Research Interests: The intersection of international criminal law, war crimes, war resistance, mass incarceration, lawyers, and domestic criminality.

Current ABF Project:

- Racial/Ethnic Inequalities in Paternal Imprisonment, Investment in Families and Schools, and Child Educational Inequality

Research Faculty



Terence Halliday

Ph.D., Sociology, University of Chicago

Joint Appointment: Adjunct Professor of Sociology, Northwestern University;
Honorary Professor, School of Regulation and Global Governance, Australian National University

Research Interests: *The globalization of law with a twofold focus: On markets, especially ways that international organizations (e.g., the UN Commission on International Trade Law, the World Bank and IMF) create global rules for the world in such diverse areas as corporate bankruptcy, transport of goods across oceans, secured credit transactions and international crime; and on politics, with struggles by legal complexes for political liberalism worldwide, currently focused on the ability of China's criminal defense and rights lawyers to protect basic legal freedoms.*

Current ABF Project:

- The Rise of Lawyer Activism in China



Ian Haney López

William H. Neukom Fellows Research Chair in Diversity and Law (2021-22)

J.D., Harvard Law School

M.P.A., Princeton University

M.A., Washington University

Joint Appointment: John H. Boalt Professor of Law, University of California, Berkeley School of Law

Research Interests: *Race and constitutional law, racism in electoral politics. Recent research emphasizes racial divisions in society and growing wealth inequality in the United States.*

Current ABF Project:

- Latino Voting Participation



Carol A. Heimer

Ph.D., Sociology, University of Chicago

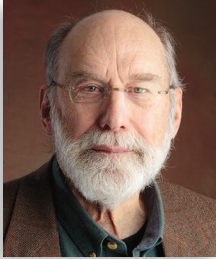
Joint Appointment: Professor of Sociology, Northwestern University

Research Interests: *Sociology of law; global and transnational sociology. Research has focused on the relationship between law and other systems of rules and norms; the diffusion of more legalistic forms of governance to healthcare (HIV clinics, infant intensive care units); and the diffusion and adaptation of rules as they flow across boundaries.*

Current ABF Project:

- The Legal Transformation of Medicine:
How Rules Work in the International World of HIV/AIDS

Research Professors



John P. Heinz

Research Professor Emeritus
LL.B., Yale University

Research Interests: *The social structure of the legal profession, the political activity of lawyers, and interest group politics.*



William H.J. Hubbard

Ph.D., Economics, University of Chicago

Joint Appointment: Professor of Law, University of Chicago Law School

Research Interests: *Economic analysis of litigation, courts, and civil procedures*



Ajay K. Mehrotra

Ph.D., History, University of Chicago

Joint Appointment: Professor of Law and History, Northwestern University, Pritzker School of Law

Research Interests: *Tax law and policy, legal and political history, comparative and historical approaches to law and political economy, and diversity in legal education and the profession.*

Current ABF Projects:

- The VAT Laggard
- Portrait Project 2.0



Elizabeth Mertz

Ph.D., Anthropology, Duke University

Joint Appointment: John and Rylla Bosshard Professor of Law Emerita, University of Wisconsin-Madison Law School

Research Interests: *The language of law, legal education, social science and law.*

Current ABF Projects:

- Senior Status, Gender, and Race in the Legal and Liberal Arts Academies
- The Language of Law Professors

Research Faculty



Janice Nadler

Ph.D., Social Psychology, University of Illinois

Joint Appointment: Nathaniel L. Nathanson Professor of Law, Northwestern University, Pritzker School of Law

Research Interests: Psychology and law, with focuses on compliance with the law; perceptions of responsibility and fairness; and animal protection in food regulation.

Current ABF Projects:

- Public Opinion, Private Governance, and the Influence of Source Credibility
- The Probative Versus Prejudicial Effect of Gruesome Photographs in Court



Robert L. Nelson

ABF Director Emeritus

MacCrate Research Chair in the Legal Profession

Ph.D., Sociology, Northwestern University

Joint Appointment: Professor of Sociology and Law, Northwestern University

Research Interests: The social organization of law practice, the relationship between law and social inequity, transformations in the legal profession, the role of corporate counsel, gender inequality, and employment discrimination.

Current ABF Project:

- After the JD



Laura Beth Nielsen

Ph.D., Jurisprudence and Social Policy, University of California, Berkeley

Joint Appointment: Professor and Chair of Sociology, Northwestern University

Research Interests: The sociology of law, with particular interest in legal consciousness and the relationship between law and inequalities of race, gender, and class, civil rights generally and employment civil rights.

Current ABF Project:

- Consent to Sex on Campus: How Undergraduates Understand and Enact Sexual Consent in the Title IX Era

Research Professors



Jothie Rajah

Ph.D., Law, University of Melbourne

Research Interests: Law, legitimacy, and authoritarianism; the war on terror; law, culture, and the humanities; international organizations and the global public sphere in constructions of norms for the rule of law; and the relationship between law, religion, and national identity.

Current ABF Project:

- Rule of Law Discourses



Anna Reosti

Ph.D., Sociology, University of Washington

Research Interests: Law and inequality in the criminal justice and housing settings; the consequences of tenant screening practices for rental housing access and discrimination; housing search experiences of renters with stigmatizing background records; and landlord responses to rental market regulation.

Current ABF Project:

- Regulating the Crisis, An Exploratory Study of Landlord Responses to Pandemic-Era Tenant Protection Regulations



Christopher W. Schmidt

Ph.D., History of American Civilization, Harvard University

Joint Appointment: Professor of Law; Codirector of the Institute on the U.S. Supreme Court, Chicago-Kent College of Law

Research Interests: The history of the United States Supreme Court as a focal point for political and cultural; the intersection of social movement mobilization and constitutional change in United States history.

Current ABF Project:

- Our Court: A New History of the United States Supreme Court



Susan P. Shapiro

Ph.D., Sociology, Yale University

Research Interests: The intersection of law and trust or fiduciary relationships, in which one acts on behalf of a vulnerable other; the role of law at life's end; ethics; agency theory; libel and the regulation of truth in commerce, news, and social media; conflict of interest in law and other professions; securities fraud and regulation; and white-collar crime.

Current ABF Projects:

- Surrogate Decision Making
- Trust 2.0: Law, Social Control, and New Technologies of Trust

Research Faculty



Ian Ayres

Ph.D., Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Oscar M. Ruebhausen Professor of Law, Yale Law School

Research Interests: Antitrust, civil rights, commercial law, contracts, corporations, corporate finance, intellectual property, law and economics, empirical law and economics, property.



John Donohue III

Ph.D., Economics, Yale University
C. Wendell and Edith M. Carlsmith Professor of Law, Stanford Law School

Research Interests: Criminal law, drug policy, employment discrimination; law and economics; policing and gun policy; public policy and empirical studies; punishment and death penalty; race and the criminal justice system.



Bryant G. Garth

Interim Executive Director
Ph.D., European University Institute
Distinguished Professor of Law Emeritus, Codirector, Center for Empirical Research on the Legal Profession, University of California, Irvine

Research Interests: The legal profession, dispute resolution, and internationalization. The topics intersect around the question of how internationalization—seen as the import and export of ideas, technologies, approaches, resources, and hierarchies—affects the position and importance of law in regulating the economy and the state; and the changing role of the legal profession in the United States.

Current ABF Project:

- After the JD



Austan D. Goolsbee

Ph.D., Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Robert P. Gwinn Professor of Economics at the University of Chicago Booth School of Business

Research Interests: The internet; the new economy; government policy; taxes.

Affiliated Research Professors



Bonnie Honig

Ph.D., Political Science, John Hopkins University
Nancy Duke Lewis Professor of Modern Culture and Media and Political Science,
Brown University

Research Interests: Normative political theory, contemporary democratic theory with particular attention to the area of law and politics. Research addresses how constitutions, legal norms, the centrality of rights, and cultural politics operate to help or hinder spontaneous and organized collective actions in democracies.



Steven Levitt

Ph.D., Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Joint Appointment: William B. Ogden Distinguished Service Professor of Economics,
University of Chicago

Research Interests: Crime, the criminal justice system, corruption, and a wide variety of issues related to racial disparity and education.



Tracey Meares

J.D., University of Chicago Law School
Walton Hale Hamilton Professor and Faculty Director of the Justice Collaboratory,
Yale Law School

Research Interests: Policing in urban communities, understanding how members of the public think about their relationship(s) with legal authorities such as police, prosecutors, and judges.



William J. Novak

Ph.D., History, Brandeis University
Charles F. and Edith J. Clyne Professor of Law, University of Michigan Law School

Research Interests: Interdisciplinary perspectives on law, legal history and law and the humanities, legal theory and philosophy, public law and regulatory policy.



Dylan C. Penningroth

Ph.D., History, Johns Hopkins University
Alexander F. and May T. Morrison Professor of History and Professor of Law;
Associate Dean, Program in Jurisprudence and Social Policy/Legal Studies,
University of California, Berkeley

Research Interests: African American history, comparative histories of slavery and emancipation, and sociolegal history, with a particular focus on family relations, the rise of the independent black church, migration, the interaction between legal categories and popular conceptions such as respectability, race, and “slavish origins”; the cultural, social, and legal legacy of slavery in colonial Ghana and the United States.

Research Faculty



Victoria Saker Woeste

Ph.D., Jurisprudence and Social Policy, University of California, Berkeley

Research Interests: Research has examined how law mediates and shapes the relationships among the state, the market, and society in U.S. history, as well as uncovered institutional and organizational responses to legal and economic change.



Robert J. Sampson

Ph.D., Sociology, State University of New York at Albany

Woodford L. and Ann A. Flowers University Professor, Harvard University

Research Interests: Crime, disorder, the life course, neighborhood effects, civic engagement, urban inequality, 'ecometrics,' and the social structure of the city.

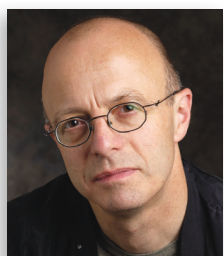


Peter Siegelman

Ph.D., Economics, Yale University

Phillip I. Blumberg Professor of Law, University of Connecticut Law School

Research Interests: Employment discrimination, contracts, insurance law and economics, empirical law and economics.



Christopher L. Tomlins

Ph.D., History, Johns Hopkins University

Elizabeth J. Boalt Professor of Law, University of California, Berkeley

Research Interests: Anglo-American legal history, from the beginning of the sixteenth century into the later twentieth century. Currently engaged in research on the Southhampton (Virginia) slave revolt of 1831, known as the Turner Rebellion. Additional work includes research on the history of contemporary legal thought, on the philosophy of legal history, and on the materialist jurisprudence detectable in the work of the German literary critic Walter Benjamin.



Tom Tyler

Ph.D., Social Psychology, University of California, Los Angeles

Macklin Fleming Professor of Law and Professor of Psychology

and Founding Director of The Justice Collaboratory, Yale Law School

Research Interests: Criminal justice reform, social science and institutional design, law and psychology.

Faculty Fellows



Nour J. Abdul-Razzak

Ph.D., Public Policy, University of Chicago

Joint Appointment: Research Director, University of Chicago Inclusive Economy Lab;
Research Associate, University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy

Research Interests: *Economics of crime, criminal justice, health economics, urban economics, education, and political economy.*



Ronit Dinovitzer

Ph.D., Sociology, University of Toronto

Joint Appointment: Professor of Sociology, University of Toronto

Research Interests: *The sociology of law, with a particular interest in the legal profession, focusing on the sources of inequality within the profession and the mechanisms that produce and reproduce them. Recent work has examined the gender gap in lawyer incomes, the distribution of lawyer satisfaction, and the career trajectories of urban law school graduates.*

Current ABF Project:

- After the JD



Sida Liu

Ph.D., Sociology, University of Chicago

Joint Appointment: Associate Professor of Sociology and Law, University of Toronto

Research Interests: *The sociology of law, with an empirical focus on the legal professions in China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan and a theoretical interest in law as a social space.*

Current ABF Project:

- The Rise of Lawyer Activism in China



Justin Richland

Ph.D., Anthropology, University of California, Los Angeles

Joint Appointment: Associate Professor of Anthropology, University of California, Irvine

Research Interests: *Legal discourse analysis and semiotics; anthropology of law; and contemporary Native American law, politics, art and ethnographic museology.*

Research Faculty



Rebecca Sandefur

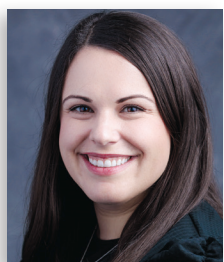
Ph.D., Sociology, University of Chicago

Joint Appointment: Professor, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Arizona State University

Research Interests: Access to justice, how legal services are delivered and consumed, how civil legal aid is organized around the nation, the role of pro bono, the efficacy of lawyers and non-lawyers as advocates and representatives, and how ordinary people think about their justice problems and try to solve them.

Current ABF Projects:

- ABF/JPB Access to Justice Scholars Program
- Access to Justice Research Initiative



Meghan Dawe

Ph.D., Sociology, University of Toronto

Research Interests: Law and inequality, with a focus on inequality and stratification in the legal profession.

Current ABF Projects:

- After the JD
- Senior Status, Gender, and Race in the Legal and Liberal Arts Academies



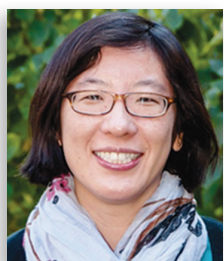
Elizabeth L. Murphy

M.A., Sociology, University of Illinois, Chicago

Research Interests: Jury decision making and ways to assist courts in optimizing jury trials.

Current ABF Project:

- Science and the Legal System



Frances Tung

Ph.D., Psychology, Suffolk University

Research Interests: Law professors and the legal profession.

Current ABF Projects:

- Senior Status, Gender, and Race in the Legal and Liberal Arts Academies
- The Language of Law Professors

Selected Publications

Traci Burch

- “Not All Black Lives Matter: Officer-Involved Deaths and the Role of Victim Characteristics in Shaping Political Interest and Voter Turnout,” *Perspective on Politics*, 20(4) (2021)
- “Adding Insult to Injury: The Justification Frame in Official Narratives of Officer-Involved Killings,” *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics*, 7(3) (2022)

Shih-Chun Steven Chien

- “Miranda in Taiwan: Why It Failed and Why We Should Care,” *University of Pennsylvania Asian Law Review*, Vol. 17, Issue 1 (2022)

Stephen Daniels

- “Who Wants to Be a Prosecutor? And Why Care? Law Student’s Career Aspirations and Reform Prosecutors’ Goals,” (w. Shih Chun-Chien), *Howard Law Journal*, Vol. 65, Issue 2 (2021)
- “Alternative Legal Professionals and Access to Justice: Failure, Success, and the Evolution of the Washington State LLLT Program (The Genie is Out of the Bottle),” (w. James Bowers), *DePaul Law Review*, Vol. 71, Issue 2 (2022)

Ronit Dinovitzer

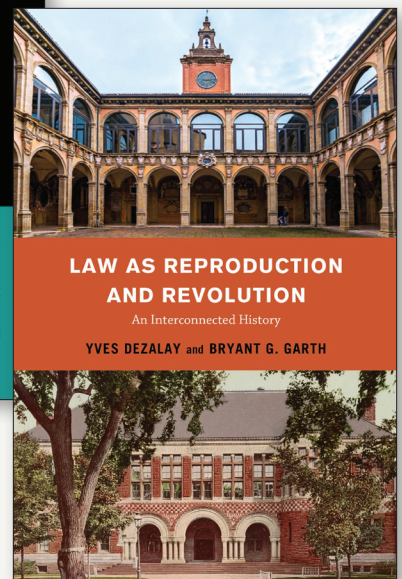
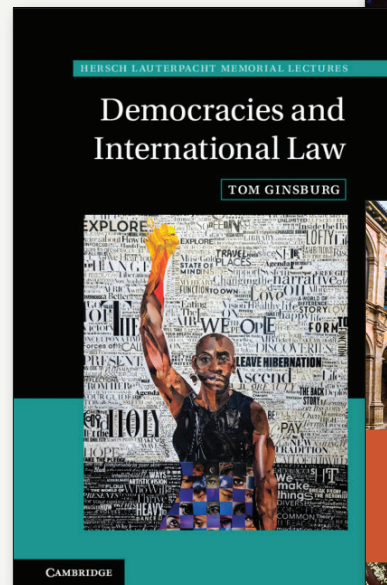
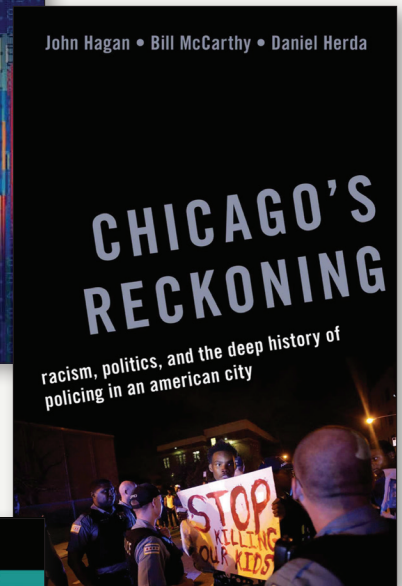
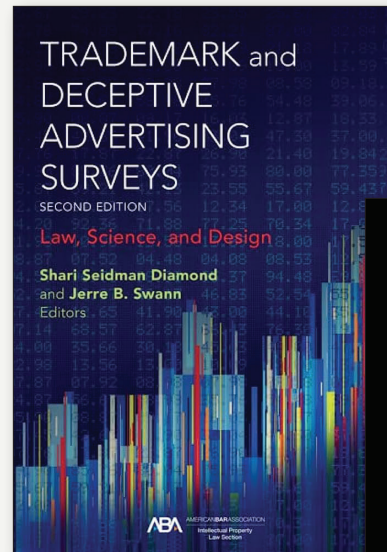
- “Strategic Philanthropy and International Strategies: The Ford Foundation and Investments in Law Schools and Legal Education,” (w. Ron Levi and Wendy H. Wong), *The Globalization of Legal Education: A Critical Perspective* (Oxford University Press, 2022)

Shari Seidman Diamond

- *Trademark and Deceptive Advertising Surveys: Law, Science, and Design*, Second Edition, (w. Jerre B. Swann), eds. (American Bar Association, 2022)
- “Fair Juries,” (w. Valerie P. Hans), *University of Illinois Law Review* (forthcoming)

Bryant Garth

- *Law as Reproduction and Revolution: An Interconnected History*, (w. Yves Dezalay) (University of California Press, 2021)
- *The Globalization of Legal Education: A Critical Perspective* (w. Gregory Shaffer), eds. (Oxford University Press, 2022)
- “The Short Happy Life of the Yale Program in Law and Modernization: From the Cold War to Comparative Legal Sociology and Critical Legal Studies,” (w. David M. Trubek, Richard L. Abel, Afroditi Giovanopoulou, Duncan Kennedy, and Boaventura de Sousa Santos), *Journal of Institutional Studies*, 7(2) (2021)



Selected Publications

Tom Ginsburg

- *Democracies and International Law*, (Cambridge University Press, 2021)
- “The Bound Executive: Emergency Powers During the Pandemic,” *International Journal of Constitutional Law*, Vol. 19, Issue 5
- “Asia’s Illiberal Governments,” *Routledge Handbook of Illiberalism* (Taylor & Francis Group, 2021)
- “Democracies and International Law: An Update,” *Chicago Journal of International Law*, Vol. 23, No. 1
- “Some Advice on Constitutional Advice,” *European Yearbook of Constitutional Law 2021* (Springer, 2021)
- “Imagining a World Without the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,” *World Politics*, Vol. 74, Issue 3
- “Latin American Constitutionalism: A U.S. Perspective,” *The Oxford Handbook of Constitutional Law in Latin America* (Oxford University Press, 2022)
- “Ideation and Innovation in Constitutional Rights,” (w. Zachary Elkins), *The Law & Ethics of Human Rights*, Vol. 16, Issue 2

John Hagan

- *Chicago’s Reckoning: Racism, Politics, and the Deep History of Policing in an American City*, (w. Bill McCarthy and Daniel Herda) (Oxford University Press, 2022)
- “Beliefs About Legality and Benefits for Mental Health,” (w. Laura Upenieks, Ioana Sendroiu, and Ron Levi), *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, Volume 63, Issue 2
- “Legal Cynicism and System Avoidance: Roma Marginality in Central and Eastern Europe,” (w. Ioana Sendroiu and Ron Levi) *Social Forces*, Vol. 101, Issue 1
- “Association Between Intergenerational Violence Exposure and Maternal Age of Menopause,” (w. Holly Foster, Jeanne Brooks-Gunn, and Jess Garcia), *Menopause*, Vol. 29, Issue 3
- “Genealogy and Etymology of Atrocity Crimes,” (w. Jeremy Kuperberg), *The Oxford Handbook on Atrocity Crimes*, (Oxford University Press, 2022)

Carol A. Heimer

- “Good Law to Fight Bad Bugs: Legal Responses to Epidemics,” (w. Clay Davis), *Annual Review of Law and Social Science*, Vol. 18 (2022) Sida Liu (re-checked 6/13/23)
- “Professional Flows: Lateral Moves of Law Firm Partners in Hong Kong, 1994–2018,” (w. Daniel Blocq, Ali Honari, and Anson Au), *Journal of Professions and Organization*, Vol. 19, Issue 1 (2022)

- “The Decline of Two Forces in Chinese Law and Governance,” *Chinese Journal of Comparative Law*, Vol. 10, Issue 1 (2022)
- “Institutional Proximity and Judicial Corruption: A Spatial Approach,” (w. Juan Wang), *Governance*, Vol. 35, Issue 2 (2022)
- “Law in Classical Sociolegal Theory: Coercion, Ideology, and Change,” (w. Eduardo Cornelius), *Handbook of Classical Sociological Theory* (Springer)

Ajay K. Mehrotra

- *A Half-Century with the Internal Revenue Code: The Memoirs of Stanley S. Surrey*, (w. Lawrence Zelenak) (Carolina Academic Press, 2022)
- “The Missing U.S. VAT: Economic Inequality, American Fiscal Exceptionalism, and the Historical U.S. Resistance to National Consumption Taxes,” *Northwestern University Law Review*, Vol. 117, Issue 1 (2022)

Elizabeth Mertz

- “Table of Links to U.S. Law School Statements on Antiracism/Diversity,” (w. Frances Tung), *University of Wisconsin Legal Studies Research Paper*, No. 1750 (2022)
- “Table of Links to U.S. Law School Mission Statements, 2019 & 2021,” (w. Frances Tung), *University of Wisconsin Legal Studies Research Paper*, No. 1731 (2022)
- “Challenging Translations: Law, Social Science, and Fassin’s Critique of Punishment,” *Current Anthropology*, Vol. 63, Issue 2 (2022)

Reuben J. Miller

- “The Afterlife of Mass Incarceration, or What Does it Mean to Need a ‘Brute’ in the Twenty-First Century?” *Social Service Review*, Vol. 96, Issue 2

Janice Nadler

- “Interventions to Reduce Meat Consumption by Appealing to Animal Welfare: Meta-Analysis and Evidence-Based Recommendations,” (w. Maya B. Mathur, Jacob Peacock, David B. Reichling, Paul A. Bain, Christopher D. Gardner, and Thomas N. Robinson), *Appetite*, Vol. 164 (2021)
- “Assigning Punishment: Reader Responses to Crime News,” (w. Kat Albrecht), *Frontiers in Psychology*, Vol. 13 (2022)

Laura Beth Nielsen

- “Misunderstanding Law: Undergraduates’ Analysis of Campus Title IX Policies,” (w. Kat Albrecht and Lydia Wuorinen), *Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis*, Vol. 45, Issue 2 (2022)

Additional publications are available on the ABF website under each faculty profile
<https://www.americanbarfoundation.org/abf-researchers/>

William J. Novak

- *New Democracy: The Creation of the Modern American State*, (Harvard University Press, 2022)

Rebecca L. Sandefur

- “Seconds to Impact?: Regulatory Reform, New Kinds of Legal Services, and Increased Access to Justice,” (w. Thomas M. Clarke and James Teufel), *Law and Contemporary Problems*, Vol. 84, Issue 3 (2021)
- “Designing Just Solutions at Scale: Lawyerless Legal Services and Evidence-Based Regulation,” (w. Matthew Burnett), *Revista Direito Público*, Vol. 19, Issue 102
- “Paralegals and the Casualization of Legal Labor Markets,” (w. Hilary Sommerlad, Jeanne Hersant, Nina Holvast, Luca Verzelloni, Stafanie Gustafsson, and Tom Clarke) *Lawyers in 21st-Century Societies Volume 2: Comparisons and Theories* (Bloomsbury, 2022)

Anna Reosti

- “The Impact of COVID-19 on Small Rental Property Management: Insights from a Chicago Case Study,” (w. Allison Suppan Helmuth), American Bar Foundation and the Housing Crisis Research Collaborative, (2021)

Justin B. Richland

- *Cooperation without Submission: Indigenous Jurisdictions in Native Nation-US Engagements*, (University of Chicago Press, 2021)
- “Reviewing the Literature in Linguistic Anthropology,” *Research Methods in Linguistic Anthropology* (Bloomsbury, 2022)

Christopher W. Schmidt

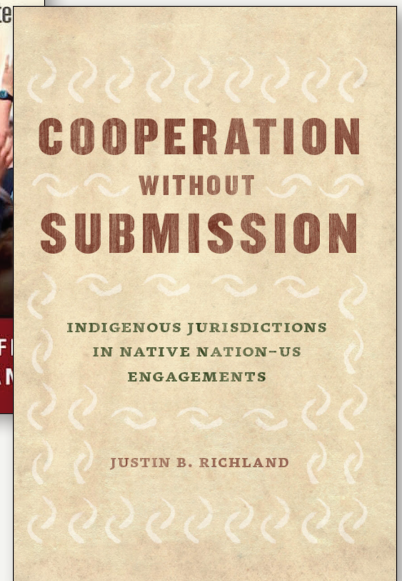
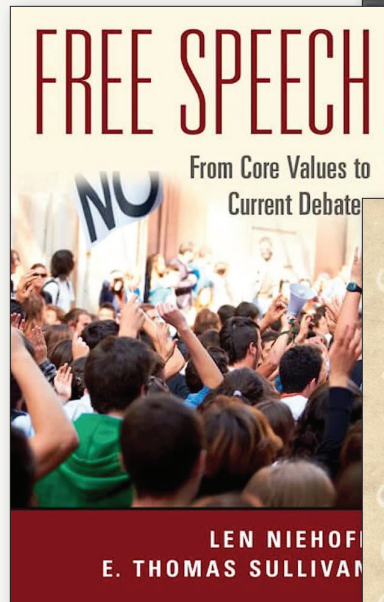
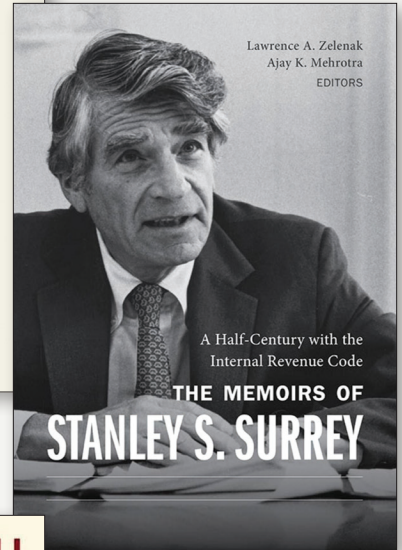
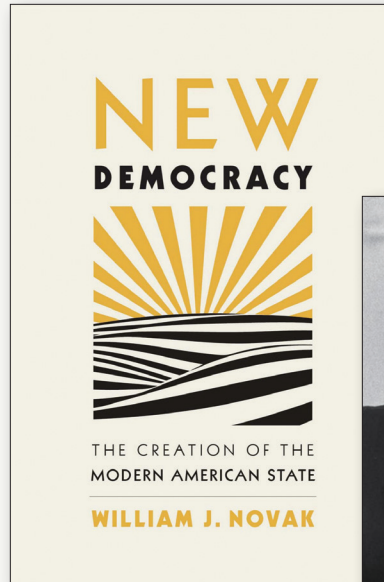
- “Thirteenth Amendment Echoes in Fourteenth Amendment Doctrine,” *UC Hastings Law Journal*, Vol. 63, Issues 3 (2022)
- “Brown, History, and the Fourteenth Amendment,” *Notre Dame Law Review*, Vol. 97, Issue 4 (2022)
- “There’s Something About Brown: A Reply to Emmett Macfarlane,” (w. Erin F. Delaney, *International Journal of Constitutional Law*, Vol. 19, Issue 5 (2021)

Susan P. Shapiro

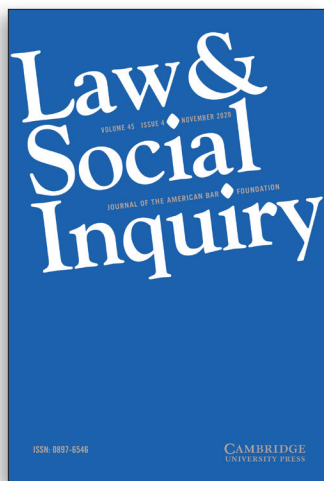
- “To Tell the Truth, the Whole Truth, and Nothing but the Truth: Truth Seeking and Truth Telling in Law (and Other Arenas),” *Annual Review of Law and Social Science*, Vol. 18 (2022)

E. Thomas Sullivan

- *Free Speech: From Core Values to Current Debate*, (w. Len Niehoff) (Cambridge University Press, 2022)



ABF Publications



Law & Social Inquiry

Law & Social Inquiry (LSI) is a quarterly, interdisciplinary, peer-reviewed scholarly journal of international standing. LSI examines pressing sociolegal issues across multiple disciplines, including anthropology, criminology, economics, history, law, philosophy, political science, sociology, and social psychology. Recent LSI articles have been awarded numerous distinctions, including the Law & Society Association Article Prize.

Submitted manuscripts are reviewed by the LSI Editorial Committee and then sent out to expert scholars in a double-blind peer review process. LSI also regularly features symposia, or a series of manuscripts centered on a specific sociolegal theme. In addition to its high quality of original research, LSI is known for its review essays. Review essays are article-length treatments of a book or group of books that situate them within their greater intellectual context. Each issue of the journal also includes “Book Notes” that present brief descriptions of twenty or thirty recently published books of interest to those working in the field of law or the social sciences. LSI also holds an annual student paper competition for graduate students, which includes a monetary prize and publication of the winning paper.

ABF scholars play a critical role in maintaining LSI’s excellent standards for sociolegal scholarship through their service as editors, peer reviewers, and authors.



Researching Law

The *Researching Law* newsletter is designed to acquaint a wide audience with the American Bar Foundation’s research activities. The articles that appear in the publication present ABF research project findings and highlight relevant research about up-to-the-minute social issues in a concise, nontechnical format.

Researching Law is written and edited by the ABF’s communications team. The newsletter is distributed to a wide audience, including the Fellows of the American Bar Foundation, policymakers, libraries, foundations, government agencies, and media outlets. Issues are posted and available for download on the ABF website.



Whose Law Is It Anyway?

The *Whose Law Is It Anyway?* podcast explores social issues and legal issues through conversations with the American Bar Foundation’s award-winning community of researchers and practitioners.

On each episode, ABF Researchers and Fellows share insights from their work on issues dominating the conversations of the nation—and the world—such as access to effective legal assistance, the affordable housing crisis, civil rights, and evolving understandings of consent.

Season One host Matthew Martinez Hannon (a legal research novice himself) invites ABF scholars to break down their research for the average American and describe how these concepts play out in everyday life. *Whose Law is it Anyway?* can be found on the ABF website, Anchor.fm, Spotify, and Apple Podcasts. Season Two is in development, set to launch in 2023.

Recent Major Media Coverage and Faculty Op-Eds

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- ‘A very big deal.’ Nonlawyer licensing plan clears hurdle in California | **Rebecca Sandefur** (Faculty Fellow) | *Reuters* | September 23, 2021
- Yale’s failed Singapore venture” More American arrogance in Asia | **Jothie Rajah** | *Salon* | September 26, 2021
- Hope in sentencing | **Kathryne Young** (Affiliated Scholar) | *Illinois Times* | October 7, 2021
- Biden’s Supreme Court commission nears end with reviews of court packing, term limits, shadow docket. Progressives may be disappointed | **Tom Ginsburg** | *CBS News* | October 14, 2021
- Dems eye historic shift to taxing wealth, not just income | **Ajay K. Mehrotra** | *Talking Points Memo* | October 25, 2021
- Where white people go, where Black people go: Cellphone data reveals how segregated Bostonians are in their movements | **Robert J. Sampson** (Affiliated Research Professor) | *The Boston Globe* | October 29, 2021
- To close the justice gap, we must look beyond lawyers | **Rebecca Sandefur** (Faculty Fellow) | *LexBlog* | November 4, 2021
- The anti-discrimination roots of ‘family and medical leave’ | **Kumar Ramanathan** (ABF/ Northwestern Doctoral Fellow) | *The Gender Policy Report* | November 5, 2021
- The Law of Individual Disqualification in a Democracy | **Tom Ginsburg** | *Lawfare* | November 8, 2021
- Mugshots stay online forever. Some say the police should stop making them public | **Sarah E. Lageson** (Affiliated Scholar) | *The Marshall Project* | November 11, 2021
- Kyle Rittenhouse jurors finish first day of deliberations without reaching a verdict | **Shari Seidman Diamond** | *The Washington Post* | November 16, 2022
- The irony and efficacy of China’s judicial reforms | **Sida Liu** (Faculty Fellow) | *East Asia Forum* | November 17, 2021
- Civil lawsuits shutting down anti-Jewish hate | **Victoria Saker Woeste** (Affiliated Research Professor) | *Jewish Insider* | November 23, 2021
- The Process of Persuasion: How Politicians Sell Tax Policies | **Ajay K. Mehrotra** | *Forbes* | December 6, 2021
- Justin Richland on his book, *Cooperation Without Submission* | **Justin Richland** (Faculty Fellow) | *CaMP Anthropology* | December 6, 2021

- Unresolved issues with China hang over the two Michaels, Foreign Affairs Minister says | **Sida Liu** (Faculty Fellow) | *The Globe and Mail* | December 9, 2021
- How power of the Supreme Court fails institution of American democracy | **Christopher W. Schmidt** | *The Scholars’ Circle* | December 18, 2021
- Why Motivations Matter Revisited: More So Now | **Stephen Daniels** and **Shih-Chun Chien** (Research Social Scientist) | *The Law School Survey of Student Engagement* | December 21, 2021
- Supreme Court term limits are popular—and appear to be going nowhere | **Tom Ginsburg** | *The Washington Post* | December 28, 2021

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- How does this end? Where the crisis in American democracy might be headed | **Tom Ginsburg** | *Vox* | January 3, 2022
- Northwestern Medicine Student Health Service to improve student access to health services | **Erin Paquette** (Affiliated Scholar) | *The Daily Northwestern* | January 5, 2022
- The inevitable problem of self-censorship | **Tom Ginsburg** | *Inside Higher Education* | January 11, 2022
- ‘We are recruiting the next leaders’: How BU Law strives to increase diversity in the broader legal community | **Angela Onwuachi-Willig** (Former Neukom Chair) | *Law.com* | January 25, 2022
- White House honors Angela Onwuachi-Willig, other law school deans for helping to avert eviction crisis | **Angela Onwuachi-Willig** (Former Neukom Chair) | *Boston University Today* | January 28, 2022
- GOP senator says Black woman Supreme Court pick would be ‘beneficiary’ of affirmative action | **Angela Onwuachi-Willig** (Former Neukom Chair) | *CNN* | January 29, 2022
- Elite trial lawyer switches sides to a changing plaintiffs bar | **Stephen Daniels** | *Law 360* | January 31, 2022
- Specters of fear and executive power | **Tom Ginsburg** | *Lawfare* | February 1, 2022
- Activists draw line between Florida voting restrictions, Jim Crow in court case | **Traci Burch** | *Orlando Weekly* | February 4, 2022
- Critical Race Theory: Understanding law and race in America | **Devon Carbado** (Former Neukom Chair) | *UCLA Newsroom* | February 10, 2022
- International law helps bring stability to a divided world | **Tom Ginsburg** | *ABA Journal* | February 16, 2022

Recent Major Media Coverage and Faculty Op-Eds

- ‘Zero Legitimacy’: Is the U.S. Supreme Court in crisis? Christopher W. Schmidt on the emerging politics of the American judiciary | **Christopher W. Schmidt** | *The Signal* | February 22, 2022
- ASU professor says changes needed to make legal aid more accessible, affordable to more people | **Rebecca Sandefur** (Faculty Fellow) | *ASU State University News* | February 22, 2022
- The increasingly authoritarian war on tenure | **Devon Carbado** (Former Neukom Chair) | *The Chronicle of Higher Education* | February 23, 2022
- Black immigrants are more likely to be denied US citizenship than White immigrants, study finds | **Emily Ryo** (Affiliated Scholar) | *CNN* | February 24, 2022
- NAACP, profs seek to back nonprofit in lawsuit over free legal advice program | **Rebecca Sandefur** (Faculty Fellow) | *Reuters* | March 3, 2022
- The vast majority of states allow people to be charged for time behind bars | **Brittany Friedman** (ABF/JPB Foundation Access to Justice Scholar) | *NPR* | March 4, 2022
- Landmark First Amendment lawsuit against NY AG’s office over free legal advice gains support from NAACP, justice groups | **Rebecca Sandefur** (Faculty Fellow) | *Bronx Times* | March 5, 2022
- Chicago’s two-, three- and four-flats are a key source of affordable housing. The pandemic might be changing that. | **Anna Reosti** | *Chicago Tribune* | March 5, 2022
- U.S. records reveal bias against Muslim and Black citizenship applicants | **Emily Ryo** (Affiliated Scholar) | *Scientific American* | March 15, 2022
- Abolish the debt sentence | **Brittany Friedman** (ABF/JPB Foundation Access to Justice Scholar) | *The Nation* | March 22, 2022
- Experts say sex offender registries don’t work. Can they be fixed? | **Sarah E. Lageson** (Affiliated Scholar) | *Yahoo News* | March 24, 2022
- More states consider bills to prohibit discrimination against Black hair | **Angela Onwuachi-Willig** (Former Neukom Chair) | *PEW* | March 31, 2022
- Pandemic-era challenges spur civil litigators to shift approaches to representative juries | **Shari Seidman Diamond** | *Lexology* | March 31, 2022
- Tribes seek more inclusion, action from US officials | **Justin Richland** (Faculty Fellow) | *AP News* | April 2, 2022
- ‘Searching for Justice: Life After Lockup,’ a PBS NewsHour special report | **Reuben J. Miller** | *PBS* | April 13, 2022
- Reflections on ‘real change’ and history made by first Black woman to the Supreme Court | **Christopher W. Schmidt** | *The San Diego Union-Tribune* | April 17, 2022
- Pozen Family Center for Human Rights hosts discussion on China’s High-Tech Totalitarianism | **Tom Ginsburg** | *The Chicago Maroon* | April 17, 2022
- How an eviction prevention program emerged after the moratorium ended | **Angela Onwuachi-Willig** (Former Neukom Chair) | *ABC News* | April 19, 2022
- Forcing people to pay for being locked up remains common | **Brittany Friedman** (ABF/JPB Foundation Access to Justice Scholar) | *Washington Post* | May 2, 2022
- In the Chamber: What is happening with the U.S. Supreme Court? | **Christopher W. Schmidt** | *The Signal* | May 5, 2022
- After Roe: 9 legal experts on what rights the Supreme Court might target next | **Tom Ginsburg** | *Vox* | May 5, 2022
- How China is rewriting the norms of human rights | **Tom Ginsburg** | *Lawfare* | May 9, 2022
- Republicans hit Democrats over Roe protests at justices’ homes, calling them ‘mob rule’ | **Christopher W. Schmidt** | *USA Today* | May 11, 2022
- Tom Ginsburg on Chile’s new constitution innovations | **Tom Ginsburg** | *Yahoo Finance* | May 20, 2022
- We can’t rely on lawyers for every justice need | **Rebecca Sandefur** (Faculty Fellow) | *Law360* | May 20, 2022
- Tax History: Soaking the Forgotten Man: Why New Dealers Taxed the Middle Class | **Ajay K. Mehrotra** | *Forbes* | May 23, 2022
- Stanley S. Surrey—The Greatest U.S. Tax Scholar? | **Ajay K. Mehrotra** | *Forbes* | June 8, 2022
- Is your dishwasher repairman packing heat? The case for ‘no carry’ gun defaults on private property | **Ian Ayers** (2021-22 Neukom Chair) | *The Hill* | June 30, 2022
- A powerful court | **Tom Ginsburg** | *The New York Times* | June 30, 2022
- The role of Supreme Courts and Democracy globally | **Tom Ginsburg** | *The Chicago Council on Global Affairs* | July 7, 2022
- Austan Goolsbee: ‘It’s obviously a strong job market’ | **Austan Goolsbee** (Affiliated Research Professor) | *Yahoo Finance* | July 11, 2022
- How race, gun ownership, and Black Lives Matter shape Americans’ views of the January 6 Capitol attack | **Robert J. Sampson** (Affiliated Research Professor) | *Phys.org* | July 11, 2022

- Readers react to book with anger at broken system, insight that ‘it could be us’ | **Reuben J. Miller** | *The Kansas City Star* | July 17, 2022
- A new no-carry default for the U.S.: A gun law that could really change things | **Ian Ayers** (2021-22 Neukom Chair) | *New York Daily News* | July 20, 2022
- Will Trump do time? What it would take to convict the former president | **Tom Ginsburg** | *Newsweek* | July 20, 2022
- A government official helped them register. Now they’ve been charged with voter fraud | **Traci Burch** | *Governing.com* | July 24, 2022
- Chile is updating its constitution for the 21st century. The US should follow its lead | **Tom Ginsburg** | *The Guardian* | July 30, 2022
- TED Talk: How radical hospitality can change the lives of the formerly incarcerated | **Reuben J. Miller** | *TED* | August 5, 2022
- The great divergence across South Asia | **Tom Ginsburg** | *Hindustan Times* | August 8, 2022
- Make Title IX policies more student-friendly | **Laura Beth Nielsen** | *Inside Higher Ed* | August 15, 2022
- What is Equality Anyway? | **Tom Ginsburg** | *Entitled: University of Chicago Podcast Network* | August 11, 2022
- Should Trump be indicted? | **Tom Ginsburg** | *Intelligence Squared* | August 12, 2022
- Is Indian Constitution an elite document? Bheels, Kalbelias changing this one song at a time | **Tom Ginsburg** | *ThePrint* | August 13, 2022
- N.C. Court expands voting rights to tens of thousands with felony convictions | **Traci Burch** | *The Daily Tar Heel* | August 15, 2022
- ‘The Ezra Klein Show’ book recommendations | **Reuben J. Miller** | *New York Times* | August 16, 2022
- Jurors fell apart: How ‘physical and emotional’ pressures derailed jury deliberations in major trial | **Shari Seidman Diamond** | *Law.com* | August 22, 2022
- The Chilean constituent process in its final hour | **Tom Ginsburg** | *Pledge Times* | August 27, 2022



Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship Program

The Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) program offers students the opportunity to explore the field of sociolegal research and observe law practice in the private and public sectors. Since 1988, 145 undergraduates have been selected from across the country in a highly competitive application process to participate in the fellowship. The SURF program is supported by generous grants from the Kenneth F. and Harle G. Montgomery Foundation, the Law School Admission Council (LSAC), Walmart, Kirkland & Ellis, LLP, AT&T, and several individual donors.

2022 Summer Undergraduate Research Fellows



Mohammed M. Obaid Shwani graduated from United World College in Bosnia & Herzegovina, received his B.A. in Politics and Philosophy from Bates College, and will study law at the University of Oxford. Mohammed worked with ABF Research Professor Terence Halliday to study the role of international institutions in protecting legal freedoms around the world.



Charlotte McDermott is a senior at Bryn Mawr College with a major in International Studies and a minor in Russian and Political Science. Charlotte worked with ABF Research Professor Jothie Rajah on her research on International Religious Freedom and how the U.S. uses the concept of religious freedoms as a tool to intervene in other countries to shape their policies.



Noor Mryan is a second year at the University of Chicago, where she is studying Economics with a Specialization in Business and minoring in Education and Society and Architectural Studies. Noor searched for and documented cases related to South and East Asian immigrant students' experiences in school under the frame of exclusionary education policy with ABF/NSF Postdoctoral Fellow in Law and Inequality Hardeep Dhillon.



Nkemjika Emenike is a senior at Washington University in St. Louis majoring in History and minoring in Chinese. Nkemjika researched public opinion on the Supreme Court and the original Roe v. Wade (1973) decision with ABF Research Professor Christopher Schmidt on his civil rights project.



Aja Sparks is a senior at Tufts University pursuing a B.S. in Physics. Aja worked with ABF Research Professor Shari Diamond on her project, Science and the Legal System. She plans to explore the intersectionality of her interests in science, technology, society, and law by pursuing a J.D. and a legal career in intellectual property law.



Alejandro Sandoval is a sophomore at the University of Chicago studying Philosophy and Sociology. Alejandro worked with ABF/NSF Postdoctoral Fellow in Law and Inequality Hardeep Dhillon on archival research surrounding the effects on anti-immigration laws on South Asian relationships with White and Mexican populations in the early 20th century.

2021-22 Doctoral and Postdoctoral Fellows

The ABF is committed to developing the next generation of scholars in the field of law, social science, and higher education by offering several doctoral and postdoctoral fellowship opportunities.

As COVID restrictions eased, ABF Doctoral and Postdoctoral Fellows were able to continue their research in a hybrid format at the ABF offices in Chicago. The ABF offers Fellows the opportunity to engage with our intellectual community, gain feedback on scholarly and professional projects in workshop settings, and utilize ABF resources toward academic goals. Fellows receive valuable mentorship from ABF researchers and a generous stipend to help complete their dissertation projects as well as support research expenses. Past Fellows have built on their experiences at the ABF by moving on to promising careers in tenure-track university positions and as legal professionals.

The ABF offers several distinct fellowship opportunities to foster the next generation of scholars engaging in original and significant research in law, social science, and higher education.

- **The ABF/National Science Foundation Doctoral and Postdoctoral Fellowship Programs in Law & Inequality** aim to encourage original and significant empirical and interdisciplinary research on the study of law and inequality.
- **The ABF/Northwestern University Doctoral Fellowship in Law & Social Science**, cosponsored by the ABF and Northwestern University, seeks to encourage original and innovative research on law, the legal profession, and legal institutions.
- **The ABF/University of Chicago Doctoral Fellowship Program in Legal & Higher Education**, cosponsored by the ABF and the University of Chicago, encourages original and significant research on law, the legal profession, and legal institutions.
- **The ABF/AccessLex Institute Doctoral and Postdoctoral Fellowship Programs in Legal and Higher Education**, cosponsored by the ABF and AccessLex Institute, aim to assist emerging scholars who research issues of access, affordability, or value in legal and higher education.

Doctoral Fellows



Brandon Alston

Ph.D. candidate in Sociology, Northwestern University



Kumar Ramanathan

Ph.D. candidate in Political Science at Northwestern University



Isabel Anadon

Ph.D. candidate in the Department of Sociology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison



Alex Reiss-Sorokin

Ph.D. candidate in the Program in History, Anthropology, Science, Technology, and Society at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology



Amber Joy Powell

Ph.D. candidate in Sociology at the University of Minnesota

Postdoctoral Fellows



Hardeep Dhillon

Ph.D. in History with a secondary in Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies at Harvard University



Sonya Rao

Ph.D. in Linguistic and Legal Anthropology, University of California, Los Angeles



Charquia Wright

J.D., Georgetown University Law Center; L.L.M., University of California, Los Angeles

ABF/JPB Foundation Access to Justice Scholars Program

The American Bar Foundation (ABF), in partnership with The JPB Foundation, is invigorating the field of civil access to justice research by seeding and supporting new research projects and growing a network of access to justice scholars. The ABF/JPB Foundation Access to Justice Scholars Program brings together scholar cohorts to support research, mentorship, and to build the intellectual relationships needed to grow the access to justice field. By facilitating the translation of research into policy and practice, the program supports and amplifies effective approaches to reduce poverty and inequality in the United States and beyond.

The program's director is ABF Faculty Fellow Rebecca Sandefur. Sandefur founded the ABF's Access to Justice Research Initiative in 2010 and received a MacArthur "Genius" grant for her access to justice work in 2018. With the addition of Senior Program Director Matthew Burnett, the Access to Justice Scholar Program has continued to grow and build new opportunities to bridge civil justice research to policy and practice.

The 2021-22 cohort of Access to Justice Scholars are listed below. They completed their fellowships in August of 2022.



Robin Bartram

(Assistant Professor of Sociology, Tulane University) studies homeowners at risk of displacement, how they understand justice and injustice, and how this understanding serves as key to their ability to access justice.



Brittany Friedman

(Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Southern California) explores the civil justice crises behind the relationship between legal representation, pay-to-stay policies in prisons and jails, and civil recoupment strategies and how these contribute to socioeconomic inequality.



Shannon Gleeson

(Professor of Labor Relations, Law, and History, Cornell University ILR School) investigates the impact of immigration status on worker precarity, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic and amid racial inequality.



Karin D. Martin

(Assistant Professor, University of Washington Evans School of Public Policy & Governance) examines how amnesty for unpaid court-ordered debt affects subsequent housing insecurity.



Victor Quintanilla

(Professor of Law, Indiana University Maurer School of Law and Affiliated Professor, Indiana University Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences) investigates access to justice for unrepresented people in virtual court proceedings, focusing on the structural, technological, and psychological challenges that people face.



Michele Statz

(Assistant Professor, University of Minnesota Medical School and Affiliated Faculty, University of Minnesota Law School) explores how socio-spatial dimensions of rural jurisdictions influence access to justice, rights mobilization, and the work of tribal and state courts in northern Minnesota and Wisconsin.



Nicole Summers

(Lecturer in Law, Harvard Law School) investigates legal pathways by which eviction filings result in actual evictions.

Institutional Support

The ABF research program is supported by an annual grant from the American Bar Endowment (see page 2) and contributions from The Fellows of the American Bar Foundation and other supporters. The ABF also receives support from government agencies, private foundations, and corporations for specific research projects and programs. The ABF is enormously grateful to the following institutions, which have provided support for projects and programs since 2018.

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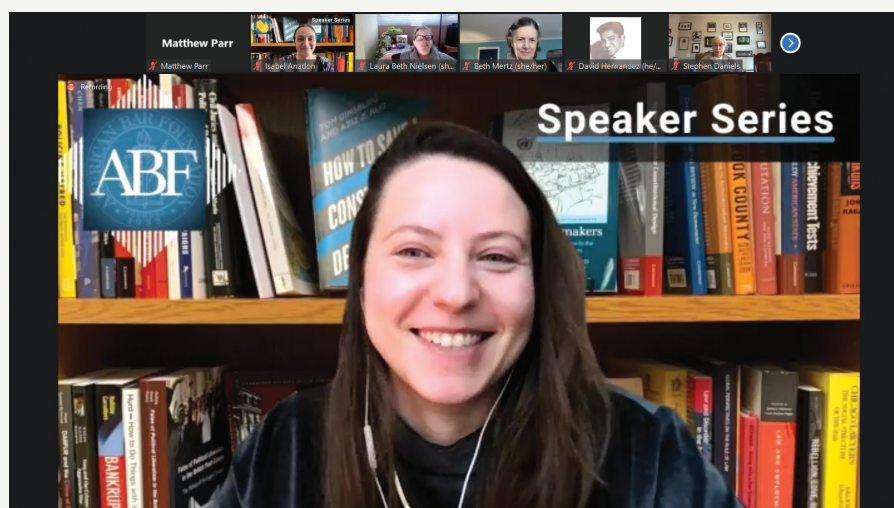
- Shari Seidman Diamond—*Juries, Lay Judges, and Mixed Courts: A Global Perspective* (Cambridge University Press, 2021), November 11, 2021
- Tom Ginsburg—*Democracies and International Law* (Cambridge University Press, 2021), April 6, 2022
- William J. Novak—*New Democracy: The Creation of the Modern American State* (Harvard University Press, 2022), May 24, 2022
- E. Thomas Sullivan—*Free Speech: From Core Values to Current Debates* (Cambridge University Press, 2022), August 4, 2022

ABF Speaker Series

- Sydney Halpern, University of Illinois Chicago—“Tales of Redemption: A Regime of Medical Experimentation in Mid-Century Prisons,” January 12, 2022
- Brandon Alston, ABF/Northwestern University Doctoral Fellow in Law and Social Science—“‘The Camera is My Weapon’: How Black Men Use Cellphones to Negotiate Safely and Status Amid Police Surveillance,” January 19, 2022
- Isabel Anadon, ABF/National Science Foundation Doctoral Fellow in Law and Inequality—“Interior Immigration Enforcement: Structural Mechanisms and the Punishment of Migrants in the United States,” January 19, 2022
- Alex Reiss-Sorokin, ABF/AccessLex Institute Doctoral Fellow in Legal and Higher Education—“The Costs of Access to Legal Information,” January 19, 2022

- Natasha Iskander, New York University—“How the Politics of Skill Become Law: The Kafala System and Migrant Workers in the 21st Century Qatar and Beyond,” February 23, 2022
- Kali Rubaii, Purdue University—“Forensic Compressions: Ethnography by The Witness-Perpetrator,” March 2, 2022
- Justin Richland, University of California, Irvine—“Cooperation Without Submission: Jurisdictions of Significance in Hopi-U.S. Relations,” March 9, 2022
- Hardeep Dhillon, ABF/NSF Post-Doctoral Fellow in Law and Inequality—“Reimagining the Racial Origins of Modern American Immigration and Border Control,” March 16, 2022
- Sonya Rao, ABF/AccessLex Institute Post-Doctoral Fellow in Legal and Higher Education—“Teaching Quality Communication: The Need for Professional Solidarity Between Legal Professionals and Interpreters in the United States,” March 16, 2022
- Adam Goodman, University of Illinois Chicago—“Left in Limbo: Temporary Protected Status and The Illiberal Effects of US Immigration Policies Since 1965,” March 30, 2022
- Fernanda Pirie, University of Oxford—“The Rule of Law: A Long and Varied History,” April 13, 2022
- Roseanna Sommers, University of Michigan Law School—“Lay Perceptions of Legal Consent,” April 20, 2022

Alex Reiss-Sorokin, ABF/AccessLex Institute Doctoral Fellow in Legal and Higher Education, presents her research project titled “The Costs of Access to Legal Information.”



- Aziza Ahmed, University of California Irvine Law School—"Risk and Resistance: How Feminists Changed the Law and Science of AIDS," April 27, 2022
- Joachim Savelsberg, University of Minnesota—"Knowing About Genocide: Armenian Suffering and Epistemic Struggles," May 4, 2022
- James Thuo Gathii, Loyola University Chicago School of Law—"The World Bank's Anti-Racism Agenda," May 11, 2022
- Sarah Brayne, University of Texas at Austin—"Predict and Surveil: Data, Discretion, and the Future of Policing," May 18, 2022
- Kennette Benedict, Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists—"Nuclear Weapons and the War in Ukraine," June 15, 2022

ABF Legal History Seminars

- Allison Tirres, DePaul Law School—"The Civil Rights of Immigrants and the Lost Promise of the 1970s," January 26, 2022
- Joanna Grisinger, Northwestern University—"Loud Flights, Angry Neighbors, and Indifferent Bureaucrats: The Civil Aeronautics Board Confronts Noise Pollution," February 2, 2022

- Kunal Parker, University of Miami Law School—"Law Becoming Procedure," February 16, 2022
- Stuart Banner, University of California, Los Angeles Law School—"Itinerant Judges on a Part-Time Court: The U.S. Supreme Court, 1790-1860," February 23, 2022
- Barbara Welke, University of Minnesota—"The Price of Settlement and Book Strand Sketch (The Cowboy Suit Tragedy)," March 9, 2022
- Sophia Lee, University of Pennsylvania Penn Carey Law School—"Democratizing Privacy: Free Speech and the Fourth Amendment," March 16, 2022
- Amalia Kessler, Stanford University—"Maternalist Arbitration: Frances Kellor and the New York Bureau of Industries and Immigration," April 6, 2022
- Emily Prifogle, University of Michigan Law School—"The Heartland's Legal Landscapes and the Remaking of Modern Rural America, 1920-2020," April 13, 2022



The ABF/JPB Foundation Access to Justice Scholars present their research findings and field questions for a virtual audience of ABF researchers.

The Fellows of the American Bar Foundation

The Fellows of the American Bar Foundation comprise a global honorary society of attorneys, judges, and legal scholars whose public and private careers have demonstrated exceptional dedication to the highest principles of the legal profession and to the welfare of their communities.

Established in 1955, Fellows support the research of the American Bar Foundation (ABF) and sponsor seminar programs on topics of direct relevance to the legal profession. Membership in the Fellows is limited to one percent of licensed lawyers in each jurisdiction. Fellows are recommended by their peers and approved by the Board of the ABF.

National Events

The Fellows held two virtual events in conjunction with the 2022 ABA Virtual Midyear Meeting. Featuring the research of ABF Research Professor **Tom Ginsburg**, the Fellows CLE seminar entitled **“Democracies and International Law”** surveyed the state of democracy-enhancing international law, and provided ideas for a way forward in the face of rising authoritarianism. The discussion was moderated by K&L Gates Managing Partner of Asia, **David K.Y. Tang**, and included contributions from University of Washington Political Science and Law Department Professor **Rachel Cichowski**, as well as University of Washington School of Law Associate Professor **Dongsheng Zang**.

The **66th Annual Fellows Virtual Awards Banquet** recognized the contributions of the following honorees:

- **Outstanding Service Award:**
Hon. Vanessa Ruiz, District of Columbia Court of Appeals
- **Outstanding Scholar Award:**
Professor Martha Albertson Fineman, Emory University School of Law
- **Outstanding State Chair Award:**
Alabama State Chair – **William T. Coplin, Jr., Esq.**
- **Distinguished Career In Memoriam:**
Hon. Robert A. Katzmman, United States Circuit Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

The program included keynote remarks **“The Power of Dissent—Reflections on Justice Ginsburg”** delivered by US Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit Judge, **Hon. M. Margaret McKeown**. The Fellows gratefully recognize Gold Sponsors: **Kirkland & Ellis** and **Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz**.

At the **ABF Fellows Annual Business Meeting**, held in conjunction with the August 2022 ABA Annual Meeting, Fellows leadership reflected on the successes

of the previous fiscal year, discussed upcoming Fellows business, and recognized the contributions of outgoing State chairs and Immediate Past Fellows Chair **Hon. Eileen Kato**. The meeting closed with incoming Fellows Chair **Darrell Mottley** thanking outgoing Fellows Chair Dean **Cynthia Nance** for her leadership. The Fellows CLE seminar that was also held during the 2022 Annual Meeting was entitled **“Reflecting on a Century of Juvenile Justice: The Past in the Present”** and sought to consider the ways legal and social conceptions of childhood and youth have shaped the evolution of the juvenile justice system. The program featured the research of ABF Research Professor **Tera Agyepong**, was moderated by Orleans Parish Juvenile Court Judge **Hon. Ernestine Gray (Ret.)** and included contributions from Director of the ABA’s Center on Children and the Law **Prudence Beidler Carr**, as well as Indiana University Professor Emeritus of History **Michael Grossberg**.

In March, **2021-2022 ABF William H. Neukom Chair in Diversity and Law Professor Ian Haney-Lopez** spoke with Georgetown University Law Center’s Associate Professor of Law **K-Sue Park** and Professor of Law at Indiana University Maurer School of Law **I. India Thusi**, in a discussion called **“Critical Race Theory: Fact, Fiction, and Future”**, moderated by **Raymond C. Pierce**, President and CEO of the Southern Education Foundation. The discussion centered on defining critical race theory and exploring the current media controversy around it. A May national webinar entitled **“Diversity in the Legal Profession: Asian Americans, Big Law, and the Move to In-House Counsel”** provided a space for ABF Executive Director and Research Professor **Ajay K. Mehrotra** to moderate a discussion with Associate Justice of the California Supreme Court **Justice Goodwin Liu**, General Counsel for Bristol Myers Squibb **Sandra Leung**, and partner at Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP **Susan L. Shin**.

State Events

In 2022, Fellows events adapted to the new normal—in person events making their return with hybrid events growing. In April, the New York Fellows hosted a hybrid event featuring *The New York Times* Deputy General Counsel **David McCraw** and ABF Research Professor **Laura Beth Nielsen**.

The next month the District of Columbia Fellows hosted their Annual Dinner, where **Paul M. Smith** spoke about the history and role of the Supreme Court. The month also featured the South Dakota Fellows Annual Meeting and the San Diego Fellows holding a networking cocktail reception.

The New York Fellows hosted a hybrid event with Sterling Professor of Law and Political Science at Yale University, **Akhil Reed Amar**. The presentation was titled *“The New ‘Originalism’: The Words That Made Us and Are Remaking Us”* and focused on the jurisprudential earthquake that occurred at the end of the 2021 Supreme Court term and its connection to the US Constitution. The year finished off with the Maine Fellows hosting a cocktail reception and dinner with a keynote from ABF Research Professor **Christopher Schmidt** about his recent book, *The Sit-Ins: Protest and Legal Change in the Civil Rights Era*.

Additional regional Fellows events were hosted by the ABF State Chairs of Oregon, Maryland and Illinois. The Fellows also held receptions at the National Bar Association 2022 Annual Meeting in Memphis and the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association 2022 Annual Meeting in Las Vegas.



Above, top: The New York Fellows host a reception celebrating ABA President-Elect Mary Smith. Above: ABF President E. Thomas Sullivan (left) speaks with Fellows during the Opening Reception at the American Writers Museum in Chicago in August 2022.



From left to right: E. Thomas Sullivan, Darrell G. Mottley, Ajay K. Mehrotra, Aziz Huq, Cynthia E. Nance, Jimmy Goodman, Laura V. Farber, and Frank X. Neuner at the ABA Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL.

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Statement of Financial Position

Fiscal Years Ended August 31, 2022 and 2021

	August 31, 2022	August 31, 2021
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$1,779,000	\$2,475,611
Long-term investments	28,578,442	31,172,584
Receivables and other	4,047,785	4,069,995
Prepaid expenses	62,109	125,336
Property and equipment	97,109	82,124
Total Assets	\$34,564,445	\$37,925,650
Liabilities		
Accounts payable and other accrued expenses	546,944	713,766
Deferred revenues and refundable grant advances	261,626	631,672
Capital lease obligations	29,658	43,612
Deferred rent liability	212,138	160,065
Loans payable	—	175,532
Total Liabilities	\$1,050,366	\$1,724,647
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	20,703,196	22,437,628
Donor restricted	12,810,883	13,763,375
Total Net Assets	\$33,514,079	\$36,201,003
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$34,564,445	\$37,925,650

Note:

This information is abstracted from the ABF's 2022 and 2021 financial statements.

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Statement of Activities

Fiscal Years Ended August 31, 2022 and 2021

	August 31, 2022	August 31, 2021
Revenues		
American Bar Endowment grant	\$3,496,588	\$3,443,994
The Fellows of the American Bar Foundation	2,335,763	2,415,318
ABF Endowment annual spending allowance	285,761	319,319
Grants, contributions and other support	1,815,429	1,380,823
Total Revenues	\$7,933,541	\$7,559,454
Expenses		
Research activities	4,011,496	4,038,964
Fellows' services	474,399	362,463
<i>Law & Social Inquiry</i>	148,592	147,866
Academic affairs and fellowships	852,113	555,583
Development and fundraising	554,192	554,449
Administration and facilities	1,860,121	1,870,696
Total Expenses	\$7,900,913	\$7,530,021
Results from Operations	\$32,628	\$29,433

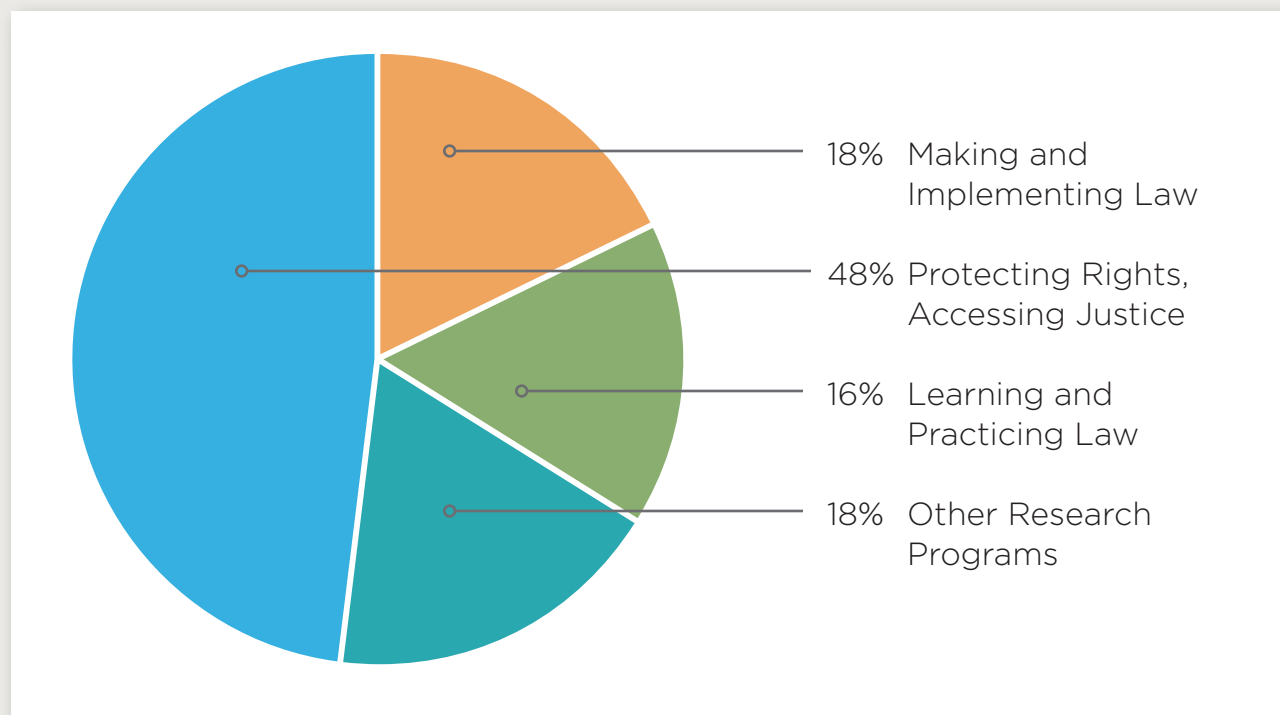
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