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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO FACULTY OF LAW

Associate Professor, 2016 - present
Canada Research Chair in Law, Economics, & Innovation, 2016 – present
Faculty Affiliate, Vector Institute for Artificial Intelligence, 2018 – present
Academic Advisor, Future of Law Lab, 2019 – present
Faculty Advisor, GPLLM Law, Technology, and Innovation, 2021 – present
Assistant Professor, 2011 – 2016

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LAW SCHOOL

Bigelow Fellow & Lecturer-in-Law, 2009 – 2011

EDUCATION

HARVARD UNIVERSITY

Ph.D. Economics, 2009
M.A., Economics, 2006

UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE

Bachelor of Laws, First Class Honours, 2003
Bachelor of Commerce, First Class Honours (Economics), 2003

PUBLICATIONS

JOURNAL ARTICLES

[The Limits of Public Contract Law](#), 85(2) LAW & CONTEMPORARY PROBLEMS 51 (2022) [with Anthony J. Casey]
[Micro-directives and Computational Merger Review](#), 1 STANFORD JOURNAL OF COMPUTATIONAL ANTITRUST 132 (2021) [with Anthony J. Casey]
[Will Robot Judges Change Litigation and Settlement Outcomes? A First Look at the Algorithmic Replication of Prior Cases](#), M.I.T. COMPUTATIONAL LAW REPORT, vol. 2.0 (2020) [with Anthony J Casey]
[Algorithms as Legal Decisions: Gender Gaps and Canadian Employment Law in the 21st Century](#), 71 UNIVERSITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK LAW JOURNAL 112 (2020)
[A Framework for the New Personalization of Law](#), 86 UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LAW REVIEW 333 (2019) [with Anthony J. Casey]
[How Artificial Intelligence Will Affect the Practice of Law](#), 68 UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO LAW JOURNAL 106 (2018) [with Benjamin Alarie & Albert H. Yoon]
[Computational Legal Research and the Advocate of the Future](#), 36 ADVOCATES QUARTERLY 12 (2017) [with Benjamin Alarie & Albert H. Yoon]
[Self-Driving Contracts](#), 43(1) JOURNAL OF CORPORATION LAW 101 (2017) [with Anthony J. Casey]
[Regulation by Machine](#), JOURNAL OF MACHINE LEARNING RESEARCH: W&CP (2017) [with Benjamin Alarie & Albert H. Yoon]

The Death of Rules and Standards, 92(4) INDIANA LAW REVIEW 1401 (2017) [with Anthony J. Casey]

On the Efficiency of the Common Law: An Application to Recovery of Rewards, 43(3) EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF LAW & ECONOMICS 393 (2017)

Unintended Consequences: The Regressive Effects of Increased Access to Courts, 14(1) JOURNAL OF EMPIRICAL LEGAL STUDIES 5 (2017) [with Albert H. Yoon]

Using Machine Learning to Predict Outcomes in Tax Law, 58(3) CANADIAN BUSINESS LAW JOURNAL 231 (2016) [with Benjamin Alarie & Albert H. Yoon]

Self-Driving Laws, 66(4) UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO LAW JOURNAL 429 (2016) [with Anthony J. Casey]

Law in the Future, 66(4) UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO LAW JOURNAL 423 (2016) [with Benjamin Alarie & Albert H. Yoon]

Friendly Precedent, 57 WILLIAM & MARY LAW REVIEW 1795 (2016) [with Albert H. Yoon]

Judicial Disharmony: A Study of Dissent, 42 INTERNATIONAL REVIEW OF LAW & ECONOMICS 60 (2015) [with Albert H. Yoon]

Hostile Takeovers and Over-Reliance, 38(2) SEATTLE UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 595 (2015)

Noise Reduction: The Screening Value of Qui Tam, 91(5) WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 1169 (2014) [with Anthony J. Casey]

Case-by-Case Adjudication and the Path of the Law, 42(2) JOURNAL OF LEGAL STUDIES 303 (2013)

Tracking Inconsistent Judicial Behavior, 34 INTERNATIONAL REVIEW OF LAW & ECONOMICS 9 (2013)

The Evolution of a Legal Rule, 39(2) JOURNAL OF LEGAL STUDIES 325 (2010) [with Richard A. Posner & Andrei Shleifer]

Do Judges Cherry Pick Precedents to Justify Extra-Legal Decisions? A Statistical Examination, 70(1) MARYLAND LAW REVIEW 234 (2010)

Structural and Behavioral Market Power under the Trade Practices Act: An Application to Predatory Pricing, 32 AUSTRALIAN BUSINESS LAW REVIEW 83 (2004) [with Joshua S. Gans & Stephen King]

BOOK CHAPTERS

Explainable AI and Taxation: A Real-life Application, DENNIS WEBBER (ED.), THE IMPLICATIONS OF ONLINE PLATFORMS AND TECHNOLOGY ON TAXATION AND TAXPAYERS' RIGHTS (2023, IBFD) [with Benjamin Alarie]

The Present and Near Future of Self-Driving Contracts, ERNEST LIM & PHILIP MORGAN, CAMBRIDGE HANDBOOK ON PRIVATE LAW AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (2022, Cambridge Univ. Press) [with Anthony J. Casey]

Artificial Intelligence and Regulation, in PINA D'AGOSTINO, CAROLE PIOVESAN, & AVIV GAON (ED.), LEADING LEGAL DISRUPTION: ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND A TOOLKIT FOR LAWYERS AND THE LAW (2021, Thomson Reuters)

Predictive Analytics, in JESSE BEATSON, GERALD CHAN, & JILL PRESSER, LITIGATING ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (2021, Emond Publishing)

Litigation Analytics, in NOAH WAISBERG & ALEXANDER HUDEK, AI FOR LAWYERS: HOW ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IS TRANSFORMING LAW PRACTICE & CAREERS (2021, Wiley Publishing)

Data Analytics and Tax Law, in ROLAND VOGL (ED.), RESEARCH HANDBOOK IN BIG DATA AND LAW (2020, Edward Elgar) [with Benjamin Alarie & Albert H. Yoon]

How Lower Courts Respond to a Change in a Legal Rule, in YUN-CHIEN CHANG (ED.), SELECTION AND DECISION IN JUDICIAL PROCESS AROUND THE WORLD: EMPIRICAL INQUIRIES (2020, Cambridge Univ. Press)

The Death of Rules and Standards, Reprinted in CHRISTOPH BUSCH & ALBERTO DI FRANCESCHI (ED.), GRANULAR LEGAL NORMS: BIG DATA AND PERSONALIZED LAWS (2020, Hart-Beck Press) [with Anthony J. Casey]

The Death of Rules and Standards (in French), Reprinted in FLORENCE G'SELL (ED.), LE BIG DATA ET LE DROIT (2019) [with Anthony J. Casey]

The Death of Rules and Standards (in Mandarin), Reprinted in DONGDE HOU (ED.), JUDICIAL APPLICATIONS OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE [with Anthony J. Casey]

Self-driving Laws (in Mandarin), Reprinted in DONGDE HOU (ED.), JUDICIAL APPLICATIONS OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE [with Anthony J. Casey]

The Application of Machine Learning to Constitutional Law, in DAVID S. LAW & MALCOLM LANGFORD (EDS.), RESEARCH METHODS IN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW HANDBOOK (Elgar) [with Albert H. Yoon]

Delaying Declarations of Constitutional Validity, in FRANK FAGAN & SAUL LEVMORE (EDS.), THE TIMING OF LAWSMAKING (2017, Elgar)

The Evolution of a Legal Rule, Reprinted in ANDREI SHLEIFER, THE FAILURE OF JUDGES AND THE RISE OF REGULATORS I (2012, MIT Press)

POLICY PAPERS

How to Leverage Network Effects to Create Additional Value for Canadian Home Buyers and Sellers, C.D. HOWE INSTITUTE INTELLIGENCE MEMO (2022) [with Paul A. Johnson]

Up to the Task: Why Canadians don't need sweeping changes to competition policy to handle Big Tech, MACDONALD LAURIER INSTITUTE COMMENTARY (November 2021) [with D. Daniel Sokol]

Regulation Reform in Ontario: Machine Learning and Regulation, 43(3) C.D. HOWE INSTITUTE COMMENTARY 507 (2018)

The Economics of Patent Design: A Selective Survey, IPRIA WORKING PAPER No. 06/03 (2003) [with Ryan L. Lampe]

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS & MISCELLANEOUS

CRC Tier II – Chair in Law, Economics, & Innovation (2016-25)

SSHRC Insight Development Grant – Algorithmic Predictions as Legal Decisions (2020-24)

TEDx talk – “Why We Should Not Fear ‘Machines’ in the Legal System” (2019)

Mewett Teaching Award – University of Toronto Faculty of Law (2017)

Clifford Chance Best Paper award—NIPS Machine Learning & the Law symposium (2016)

University of Toronto, Early Career Teaching Award (2016)

SSHRC Insight Development Grant – Access to Justice in Ontario (2014-16)

Dean's Distinguished Visiting Fellowship – Washington Univ. of St. Louis Law School (2015)

Tory Business Law Fund Grant (2013-14)

Connaught New Researcher Grant (2012-14)

Harry A. Bigelow Fellowship (2009-11)

Harvard Economics Department, Dissertation Grant (2009)

Harvard College, Certificate of Undergraduate Education Award (2007, 2008)

Harvard Economics Department, Travel Grant (2006)

Frank Knox Memorial Fellowship, Harvard University (2003-09)

Outstanding Teacher Award, Dept of Economics & Commerce, Univ. of Melbourne (2003)