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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Southwestern Law School

Associate Professor of Law, 2019 – present; Visiting Associate Professor of Law, 2013 – 2019; Adjunct Associate Professor of Law, Fall 2010 and Spring 2013

Teaching: Civil Procedure; Federal Income Tax; Federal Indian Law

UCLA School of Law

Adjunct Assistant Professor of Law, Spring 2018; Visiting Professor of Law, 2015–2017; Assistant Adjunct Professor of Law (Greenberg Law Review Fellow), 2011–2013

Teaching: Tribal Legal Development Clinic; Indian Gaming Law, Policy, and Politics; Advanced Topics in Federal Indian Law

PUBLICATIONS

The (Potential) Legal History of Indian Gaming, 63 ARIZ. L. REV. 969 (2021) (cited in *Ysleta del Sur Pueblo v. Texas*, 596 U.S. 685 (2022))

Indians, Tribes, and (Federal) Jurisdiction, 65 U. KAN. L. REV. 415 (2016) (cited in *County of Amador v. U.S. Department of Interior*, 872 F.3d 1012 (9th Cir. 2017))

It Wasn't An Accident: The Tribal Sovereign Immunity Story, 62 AM. U. L. REV. 1587 (2013) (cited in *Justice Gorsuch in Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians v. Coughlin*, 599 U.S. 382, 403 (2023) (Gorsuch, J., dissenting); *Michigan v. Bay Mills Indian Community*, 572 U.S. 782 (2014) (Sotomayor, J., concurring); *Bodi v. Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians*, 832 F.3d 1011 (9th Cir. 2016); and *People v. Miami Nation Enterprises*, 386 P.3d 357 (Cal. 2016))

The Trajectory of Indian Country in California: Rancherías, Villages, Pueblos, Missions, Ranchos, Reservations, Colonies, and Rancherías, 44 TULSA L. REV. 317 (2008) (cited in *Stand Up for California! v. U.S. Department of the Interior*, 994 F.3d 616 (D.C. Cir. 2021); and *County of Amador v. U.S. Department of Interior*, 872 F.3d 1012 (9th Cir. 2017))

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

The Road to the Supreme Court: Indian Gaming Before IGRA panel, Indian Gaming: Past and Present Symposium, William S. Boyd School of Law, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, March 2, 2023

California Missions, Land Tenure, and Law, Space, Place, and Law panel, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Lisboa, Portugal, July 16, 2022

Barker v. Harvey and the (Non-)Extinguishment of Aboriginal Title in California, New Legal Histories of Indian Country panel, American Historical Association – Pacific Coast Branch Annual Meeting, Santa Clara, CA, August 3, 2018

Barker v. Harvey and the (Non-)Extinguishment of Aboriginal Title in California, Law, Property, and History panel, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada, June 9, 2018

The (Potential) Legal History of Indian Gaming, Ethical Translations: Cultures, Lawyers and Legal Traditions panel, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Mexico City, Mexico, June 23, 2017

Cannabis in Indian Country, Decolonizing Indigeneity: Resistance, Rights, Relationships and Reefer panel, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, June 2, 2016

The (Potential) Legal History of Indian Gaming, Planting Tail Feathers: Public Law 280 & The Rise of Indian Gaming panel, UCLA Law Review Annual Symposium, Los Angeles, CA, February 5, 2016

Land Into Trust in California and Marijuana in Indian Country panels, California Indian Law Association Annual Conference, Jackson Rancheria, CA, October 16, 2015

Constitutionalizing (State and Tribal) Sovereign Immunity, Indian Nations and Indigenous Peoples Section panel (*Bay Mills* and the Future of Sovereign Immunity), American Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, January 3, 2015

Tribal vs. State Jurisdiction panel, National Intertribal Tax Alliance 16th Annual Tribal Tax Conference, Valley Center (Rincon Indian Reservation), CA, September 24, 2014

History, Theory, and Doctrine of Tribal Sovereign Immunity and the *Ex Parte Young* Analogy panel, Tribal Sovereign Immunity After *Bay Mills* Symposium, University of Colorado Law School, Boulder, CO, September 12, 2014

Historical and Modern Conceptions of Tribal and State Immunity panel, Federal Bar Association 39th Annual Indian Law Conference, Pueblo of Pojoaque, NM, April 10, 2014

Sovereignty, Federalism, and Internet Gaming panel, California Indian Law Association Annual Conference, Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation, CA, October 11, 2013

Marine Life Protection and Tribal (Fishing/Gathering/Harvesting) Rights in California, Tribal Water Rights in California Conference, Morongo Indian Reservation, CA, March 5, 2013

The (Non-)Extinguishment of Aboriginal Title in California, American Society for Ethnohistory Annual Meeting, Pasadena, CA, October 21, 2011

EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles

Master of Arts in History, 2020

Juris Doctor, 2006

Master of Arts in American Indian Studies, 2006

Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government

Master in Public Policy, 2002

Vermont Law School

Master of Studies in Environmental Law, 2000

Williams College

B.A., Economics and Political Science, 1998

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Holland & Knight LLP, Los Angeles. Attorney, Indian Law Practice Group, 2006–2012

RELATED ACTIVITIES

Board of Directors, California Indian Law Association, 2013–2016

Editor-in-Chief, *Federal Indian Law* (Federal Bar Association Indian Law Section newsletter), 2009–2014

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