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## CURRENT POSITION

SOUTHWESTERN LAW SCHOOL, Los Angeles, CA

*Professor of Law*

2025–Present

*Associate Professor of Law*

2021–2025

Courses:       Torts  
                  Evidence

## EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN LAW SCHOOL, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2014

Honors:       Order of the Coif; Henry M. Campbell Moot Court, Executive Board; University of Michigan Journal of Law Reform, Contributing Editor

LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS & POLITICAL SCIENCE, M.Sc., *merit*, Political Sociology, 2010

Dissertation: *The Tea Party Movement: America's Reemerging Far-Right*

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY, B.A., *distinction*, Mass Comm. & Political Science, 2009

Honors:       Highest Honors in Mass Communications (awarded to six students)

## PUBLICATIONS & MANUSCRIPTS

### Books & Edited Volumes

THE LAW OF THE AMERICAN JURY (under contract, Carolina Academic Press).

MASTERING EVIDENCE (forth. Carolina Academic Press 2025).

HANDBOOK ON CIVIL JUSTICE (forth. Elgar Publ'g 2025) (w/ Anne Bloom & David Engel, eds.).

### Law Journals

*Overruling Batson, Etc.* (work in progress).

*The Ableist Jury*, (w/ Qudsiya Naqui) (work in progress).

[\*Red Juries & Blue Juries\*](#), 57 ARIZ. ST. L.J. 229 (2025).

[\*The Constitutional Right to Peremptory Challenges in Jury Selection\*](#), 77 VAND. L. REV. 1529 (2024).

[\*The Administrative State's Jury Problem\*](#), 98 WASH. L. REV. 1187 (2023).

[\*Democratic Renewal and the Civil Jury\*](#), 57 GA. L. REV. 79 (2022) (w/ Valerie Hans & Robert Peck).

- Winner of the National Civil Justice Institute's 2025 Civil Justice Scholarship Award

[\*Jury Nullification as a Spectrum\*](#), 49 PEPP. L. REV. 341 (2022).

[\*Beyond Plea Bargaining: A Theory of Criminal Settlement\*](#), 62 B.C. L. REV. 1047 (2021) (w/ J.J. Prescott).

[\*The New Impartial Jury Mandate\*](#), 117 MICH. L. REV. 713 (2019).

[\*Toward a Civil Jury-Trial Default Rule\*](#), 67 DEPAUL L. REV. 685 (2018).

[\*Expanding the Search for America's Missing Jury\*](#), 116 MICH. L. REV. 925 (2018) (book review).

### Book Chapters

*Choosing a Jury System: Lessons from the United States*, in JURIES IN THE AMERICAS (Ad Hoc Publ'g 2026) (forthcoming 2026)

*The Constitutional Foundations of Trial by Jury*, in HANDBOOK ON JURY DECISION MAKING (Elgar Publ'g 2026) (Valerie Hans & Nancy Marder, eds.) (forthcoming 2026).

*Civil Juries & Civil Justice*, in HANDBOOK ON CIVIL JUSTICE (Elgar Publ'g 2025) (Anne Bloom, David Engel, & Richard Jolly, eds.) (w/ Valerie Hans) (forthcoming 2025).

### Amicus Briefs

Author, [Brief for Amicus Curiae The Civil Jury Project at N.Y.U. School of Law in Support of Neither Side](#), *Oil States Energy Services, LLC v. Greene's Energy Group, LLC*, 584 U.S. \_\_ (2018).

### Other Legal Writing (selected)

[\*Fixing the Public's Confidence in the Courts Starts with Juries\*](#), Bloomberg Law (Dec. 21, 2022) (w/ Valerie Hans & Robert Peck).

[\*The \(Un\)Constitutionality of Virtual Civil Jury Trials\*](#), 93 The Advocate (Texas) 47 (2022).

[\*The Civil Jury: Reviving an American Institution\*](#), U.C. Berkeley School of Law, Civil Justice Research Initiative White Paper, Sept. 2021 (w/ Valerie Hans & Robert Peck).

[\*Customized Litigation Strategies: A Review of Controversial Jury Trial Innovations\*](#), 82 The Advocate (Texas) 63 (2018).

[\*Strengthening the Civil Jury\*](#), 31 Cal. Lit. 3 (2018) (w/ Anna Offit).

[\*Innovating For Wise Juries\*](#), Law360 Expert Analysis, May 31–Aug. 2, 2017 (weekly column w/ Steve Susman & Roy Futterman).

[\*Where Have All the \[Civil Juries\] Gone?\*](#), Harvard Law Record, Apr. 9, 2017.

[\*Dr. Bull and the Jury's Role\*](#), Law.com/Texas Lawyer, Sep. 27, 2016–Jun. 6, 2017 (weekly column w/ Steve Susman).

### **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY, SCHOOL OF LAW, Berkeley, CA <i>Fellow for the Civil Justice Research Initiative</i>	2018–Present
NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, New York, NY <i>Research Fellow for the Civil Jury Project</i>	2016–2018

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

SUSMAN GODFREY LLP, Los Angeles, CA <i>Litigation Associate</i>	2018–2020
U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE SIXTH CIRCUIT, Akron, OH <i>Clerk to the Hon. Deborah Cook</i>	2015–2016
IRELL & MANELLA LLP, Los Angeles, CA <i>Summer Associate</i>	Summer 2014
U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT, San Francisco, CA <i>Judicial Extern to the Hon. John Noonan</i>	Summer 2013
CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT, San Francisco, CA <i>Judicial Extern to the Hon. Ming Chin</i>	Summer 2013

### **PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)**

Host, “Conversations in Civil Justice w/ Richard Jolly,” Civil Justice Research Initiative, May 2020–Present (ongoing series of webinars).

Presenter, “The Ableist Jury,” Law & Society Conf., May 2025.

Presenter, “Choosing a Jury System: Lessons from the U.S.,” American Bar Foundation/ Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, Juries in the Americas: Variation and Change, May 2025

Panelist, “Amended FRE 702,” Civil Justice Research Initiative/American Bar Foundation, Plaintiff-Side Practice Symposium, Mar. 2025.

Presenter, “Red Juries & Blue Juries”:  
Law & Society Conf., May 2025.  
Pepperdine Caruso School of Law, Scholarship Series, Feb. 2025.

Presenter, “The Constitutional Right to Peremptory Challenges in Jury Selection”:  
Fifteenth Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium, Nov. 2024.  
AALS Section on Crim. Pro. Second Annual Junior Scholars Conf., Sept. 2024.  
Law & Society Conf., Jun. 2024.  
Ninth Annual Civ. Pro. Workshop, May 2024.  
Southern California Junior Faculty Conf., Apr. 2024.  
West Coast Sexuality, Gender & the Law Conf., Mar. 2024.

Presenter, “The Administrative State’s Jury Problem”:

Law & Society Conf., Jun. 2023.

Eighth Annual Administrative Law New Scholarship Roundtable, May 2023.

Panelist, “MedMal & MICRA,” Concluding the Restatement (Third) of Torts, Mar. 2023.

Presenter, “The Civil Jury: Reviving an American Institution,” CELESQ Webinar, Dec. 2021.

Presenter, “Expedited Jury Trials as a Solution to COVID-19,” Law & Society Conf., May 2021.

Moderator, “COVID-19 and the Courts: Implications for Civil Juries,” RAND Corp., Oct. 2020.

Presenter, “Jury Nullification as a Spectrum,” Law & Society Conf., May 2020.

Presenter, “The Rise and Fall of the American Jury,” Law & Society Conf., Jun. 2019.

Presenter, “The New Impartial Jury Mandate”:

Law & Society Conf., Jun. 2018.

Central State Law School Assoc., Scholarship Conf., Oct. 2017.

#### **ADMISSIONS & PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

National Civil Justice Institute, Fellow

Law & Society Association, Lay Participation in Legal Systems, Organizer

State Bar of California (active)

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

U.S. District Courts for the Northern and Central Districts of California