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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL — Los Angeles, CA

2011-Present James P. Bradley Chair in Constitutional Law
2010-Present Professor of Law
2005-2010 Associate Professor of Law

Courses: Constitutional Law; Advanced Topics in Constitutional Law: Originalism; Advanced Topics in Constitutional Law: Abortion, Race, Sex, & Gender Identity; Advanced Topics in Constitutional Law: Second Amendment, Equal Protection, & Religion; Constitutional Law I & II; Intelligence, Testing, and the Law; Employment Discrimination Law; Discrimination and Reverse Discrimination Claims; Principles of Social Justice; Social Justice Lawyering

2004-2019 **USC GOULD SCHOOL OF LAW** — Los Angeles, CA

Visiting Professor
Course: Constitutional Law: Rights (Fall 2016, Spring 2018, & Fall 2019)

UCLA SCHOOL OF LAW — Los Angeles, CA

Visiting Professor
Courses: Constitutional Law I (Fall 2013); Employment Discrimination Law (Fall 2014); Civil Rights (Spring 2015); Intelligence, Testing, and the Law (Winter 2011)

1998-2005 **NAACP LEGAL DEFENSE AND EDUCATIONAL FUND, INC** — Los Angeles, CA

Western Regional Counsel & Western Regional Director-Counsel

1996-1998 **SKADDEN FELLOW** — New York, NY

NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc.

1995-1996 **THE HONORABLE STEPHEN REINHARDT** — Los Angeles, CA

United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
Law Clerk

EDUCATION

YALE LAW SCHOOL, J.D. — New Haven, CT

Yale Law Journal, Senior Editor
Analytic Writing Project (Supervised by Professor Bruce Ackerman): *Abjection of the Other*
Project SAT, Founder-Director and Tutor
Research Assistant to Sterling Professor Owen M. Fiss

DUKE UNIVERSITY, B.A., *summa cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa — Durham, NC

Class Rank: 9 of 1182
Interdepartmental Major: Political Science and Economics
Honors Thesis: *Pseudo-Patriots: Manipulating Patriotism in Public Discourse*
Faculty Scholar Research Award (one of two undergraduates per year selected by the Duke faculty)
Procter and Gamble Political Science Award
Rankin Government Award for Leadership & Academic Achievement
Rankin Award in American Government and Constitutional Law
Angier B. Duke Memorial Scholarship Award (4-year full tuition highest honor merit scholarship)
Harry S. Truman Public Service Scholar Award

OXFORD UNIVERSITY — Oxford, England

Term Course of Study: British Political Economy & Economic History

BAR ADMISSIONS

United States Supreme Court
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit
U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California
U.S. District Court for the Central District of California
State of California
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
State of New York

SELECTED RECOGNITIONS

American Law Institute
Elected Member (2025)

Equal Justice Society
25th Anniversary Champion of Justice Honoree

James P. Bradley Chair in Constitutional Law
Loyola Law School

Southern California Freedom's Sister
Simon Wiesenthal Museum of Tolerance

William M. Rains Fellow
Loyola Law School

Southern California Super Lawyer (2004, 2005, & 2006)
Law & Politics and *Los Angeles Magazine*

Influence in Black Los Angeles (2005)
Profile of 25 of L.A.'s most influential African American leaders
Los Angeles Wave

Southern California Rising Star Lawyer (2004)
Law & Politics and *Los Angeles Magazine*

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Contributions to the Los Angeles Civic Community
Los Angeles African American Women's Public Policy Institute

Featured as one of the top lawyers under the age of 40 "making their mark in the legal world"
Los Angeles Daily Journal's California Law Business

Skadden Fellowship
Skadden Foundation

RECENT SELECTED REPRESENTATIVE PRESENTATIONS AND APPEARANCES

Supreme Court Review of 2025-26 Term
Panelist (moderator Professor Rick Hasen)
The Hammer Museum
Los Angeles, CA (July 7, 2026) (upcoming)

A New Vocabulary of Racism
Berkeley Center on Comparative Equality & Anti-Discrimination Law
Viterbo University,
Viterbo, Italy (June 16, 2026)

Battle Tactics of the U.S. War on Inclusion
Equity in Graduate Education (EGE) Consortium Annual Meeting
USC Rossier School of Education
University of Southern California
Los Angeles, CA (May 7, 2026)

Foundations of AI and Antidiscrimination Law
Invited Discussion Session Facilitator
Antidiscrimination Law x AI Convening
Stanford Center for Racial Justice, Stanford Law School
Charles Hamilton Houston Center for Race & Justice, Harvard Law School
Multi-Racial Democracy Project, GW Law School
Stanford Law School
Palo Alto, CA (March 12, 2026)

Who, What, and Where: Second Amendment Questions the Supreme Court Will Finally Answer This Term and Questions it Continues to Avoid
Panelist
AALS Hot Topic: Second Amendment
2026 Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting
New Orleans, LA (January 7, 2026)

PUBLICATIONS

The Pre-Heller Consensus Meaning of the Second Amendment (in progress)

The World's Most Dangerous Court (in progress)

White Predominance is the Point, 6 N.C. CVL. RTS. L. REV. 77 (2026).

Not Colorblind, 120 NW. U. L. REV. 167 (2025).

Affirmative Action and the Constitution, 58 LOY. L. REV. 1 (2025).

Introducing "Caste"-Centric Terminology as Brown *Turns Seventy*, 64 WASHBURN L.J. 151 (2025) (lead article).

Affirmative Action After SFFA v. Harvard*: The Other Defenses*, 74 SYRACUSE L. REV. 1101 (2024).

The SFFA v. Harvard *Trojan Horse Admissions Lawsuit*, 47 SEATTLE U. L. REV. 1355 (2024).

Exposing the Deceit About Disparate Impact, 40 HOFSTRA LAB. & EMP. L.J. 349 (2023).

Obscuring Asian Penalty with Illusions of Black Bonus, 64 UCLA L. REV. DISC. 590 (2017).

Reversed Protection: A Discrimination Claim Gone Wild in Fisher v. Texas, 7 UC IRVINE L. REV. 133 (2017).

Liberty Bound: Obergefell*'s Eclipse of Autonomy in Sexual Intimacy*, 49 LOY. L. REV. 351 (2016).

Liberty to Subordinate? 99 IOWA L. REV. BULL. 153 (2014).

Forsaking Claims of Merit: The Advance of Race-Blindness Entitlement in Fisher v. Texas, 29 CIVIL RIGHTS LITIGATION AND ATTORNEY FEES ANNUAL HANDBOOK 335 (Steven Saltzman & Cheryl I. Harris, eds. 2013).

Fairness Feuds: Competing Conceptions of Title VII Discriminatory Testing, 46 WAKE FOREST L. REV. 1035 (2011).

More Intelligent Design: Testing Measures of Merit, 13 U. PA. J. CONST. L. 1235 (2011).

Reading Ricci*: Whitening Discrimination, Racing Test Fairness* (with Cheryl I. Harris), 58 UCLA L. REV. 73 (2010).

Testing the Master Tools, 158 U. PA. L. REV. PENNUMBRA 305 (2010).

The River Runs Dry: When Title VI Trumps State Anti-Affirmative Action Laws, 157 U. PA. L. REV.1075 (2009).

A Desegregation Tool that Backfired: Magnet Schools and Classroom Segregation, 103 YALE L.J. 2567 (1994).

AIDS and the Anti-Gay Crusade, 9 DUKE J. POLITICS 75 (Spring 1991).

PROFESSIONAL LEGAL EXPERIENCE

1998-2005 **NAACP LEGAL DEFENSE AND EDUCATIONAL FUND, INC** Los Angeles, CA
Western Regional Counsel & Western Regional Director and Counsel
Responsibilities included litigation, public education and administration for regional office. Supervised legal and support staff. Civil rights impact litigation, civil rights advocacy, and public education in areas of education, employment discrimination, economic justice, voting rights, criminal justice, and police reform. Represented clients in various class action civil rights cases to redress racial discrimination, including *Hunter v. City of Los Angeles (LAPD), Gonzalez v. Abercrombie & Fitch*, and *Castaneda v. University of California Board of Regents*. Filed amicus curiae briefs in cases relating to important civil rights issues, such as *Save Our Valley v. Sound Transit* (whether Title VI regulations are enforceable under 42 U.S. C. § 1983) and *Zelman v. Simmons-Harris* (constitutionality of Cleveland public school voucher program).

1996-1998 **SKADDEN FELLOW** New York, NY
NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc.
One of 25 graduating law students and outgoing judicial clerks awarded fellowship in public interest law funded by the law firm Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom. Fellowship paid salary and benefits during the first two years of employment at the NAACP Legal Defense & Educational Fund, Inc. Designed litigation project to redress deprivation of equal educational opportunities students through misuse of standardized test scores and differential curricular offerings (discriminatory ability grouping and tracking). Litigated various education civil rights cases, including *Erik V. v. Causby*, Title VI challenge to discriminatory impact of elementary and secondary high-stakes testing policy, and represented students who sought defendant-intervenor status in *Wessmann v. Boston School Committee*.

1995-1996 **UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT** Los Angeles, CA

Law Clerk to the Honorable Stephen Reinhardt

Worked as personal law clerk to judge. Wrote bench memoranda recommending analysis and dispositions to three-judge panels. Prepared initial drafts of Judge Reinhardt's memoranda and published dispositions, then worked closely with judge editing drafts for circulation and publication.

LITIGATION EXPERIENCE

Castaneda v. University of California Board of Regents, No. 99-0525 SI (N.D. Cal.) (formerly ***Rios v. UC Regents***) (lead counsel)

Case filed in February by the Legal Defense Fund (LDF) in coordination with other civil rights organizations on behalf of African American, Latino and Filipino students denied undergraduate admission to UC Berkeley after the elimination of affirmative action pursuant to California Proposition 209. Led and coordinated the representation of the African American, Latino and Filipino classes and served as lead counsel for the African American class. The lawsuit alleged that Berkeley's undergraduate admissions process violated Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and its implementing regulations as well as the Fourteenth Amendment because Berkeley made admissions decisions on educationally insignificant differences in SAT scores and unfairly penalized applicants attending schools with limited Advanced Placement and honors course offerings. The district court approved a settlement agreement requiring Berkeley to retain a consultant specializing in measurement of "multiple intelligences" and to produce specified admissions statistics for five years.

Gonzalez v. Abercrombie & Fitch, No. 03-2817 SI (N.D. Cal.) (LDF lead counsel)

Lead LDF attorney on legal team representing minority plaintiffs in a national employment discrimination class action lawsuit. The suit charges Abercrombie & Fitch with discriminating against non-whites, including African Americans, Latinos and Asian Americans, on the basis of race, color and/or national origin in hiring, firing, job assignment, compensation and other terms and conditions of employment.

Hunter v. City of Los Angeles (LAPD), No. 92-CV-1897-MMM (C.D. Cal.) (LDF lead counsel)

Had responsibility for enforcing consent decree as lead counsel for African American sworn police officers who have sought or will seek promotion to certain ranks, paygrades and coveted positions within the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD). The LAPD was bound by the terms of the consent decree through 2009.

Wessmann v. Boston School Committee, No. 97-11923-JTL (D. Mass), No. 98-1657 (1st Cir.)

Lead counsel representing the Boston NAACP and several member parents as "litigating amici" in lawsuit filed by a white ninth-grade student who alleged that the Boston Latin Examination School admissions policy discriminated against her on the basis of her race. The trial court ruled against the plaintiff, finding that the Boston Latin admissions policy was narrowly tailored to meet the Boston School Committee's compelling governmental interests in diversity and in overcoming the vestiges of past discrimination, 996 F. Supp. 120 (D. Mass. 1998). The First Circuit reversed, 160 F.3d 790 (1st Cir. 1998).

Erik V. v. Causby, No. 5-97-CV-587-BO (2) (E.D.N.C.) (LDF lead counsel)

Responsible for original research, LDF justification memorandum, drafting pleadings, briefs and major correspondence, and experts. Represented a multi-racial class of African American, Latino and Caucasian students in challenge of a high stakes standardized testing policy adopted by the Johnston County (North Carolina) Board of Education. The policy required that decisions to promote students to the next grade level or course be based solely on the outcome of scores on a newly adopted standardized test without regard to the student's grades, teacher evaluations or other assessment criteria. The parties reached settlement after defendants promoted the fourteen named class representatives and made significant changes to the policy.

MEDIA EXPERIENCE

Featured, quoted, and interviewed by various national and local media, including: *Bloomberg News, The Chronicle of Higher Education, USA Today, Christian Science Monitor, The Harvard Crimson,* CNN, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post, Los Angeles Times*, *Black* Issues *in Higher*

Education, *Education Week*, *The Los Angeles Sentinel*, *Los Angeles Daily News*, *The Los Angeles Daily Journal*, *San Francisco Chronicle*, *San Francisco Examiner, Savoy Magazine*, *Ebony, The New Crisis, Black Enterprise.com*, KPCC-FM *AirTalk* with Larry Mantle, *Forum*, *BET*, *One on One*, and National Public Radio's *Tavis Smiley Show, Lovett Or Leave It, Voice of America, The Philip DeFranco Show, & VICE News.* Blog posts: *The Griot, Huffington Post, American Constitution Society Blog, SCOTUSblog.*

LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY & LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

Academic Freedom Committee, Chair (elected by faculty vote) (2025-present)
JD Assessment Committee (2025-26)
Rains & Deans Fellowship Committee (2011-2015) (2024-25)
Tenure Committee (2021-2024)
Dean's Advisory Committee (elected by faculty vote) (2019-2020) (2020-2021)
Phi Beta Kappa University Committee on Members in Course (2019-2022)
Disability Committee, Chair (2020-2023)
Research & Sabbatical Grants Committee (2020-2024)
COVID-19 Special Committee on Exam & Grading Policy (2020)
Faculty Advisor, Muslim Law Students Association (2020-2021)
Assessment Committee (2017-2018)
Pro Bono & Public Interest Committee (2017-2018)
Discriminatory Harassment Committee, Chair (2011-2012; 2016-17)
Externships, Clinics, Pro Bono, & Public Interest Committee (2016-17)
Stereotype Awareness Coalition, Faculty Advisor (2015-2017)
Curriculum Committee (2008-2010)
Ad Hoc Student Evaluation of Teaching Committee (2009-2012)
Public Interest Committee (2005-2009)
Clerkship Committee (2007-2008)
Martin Luther King Event Committee (2006-2010)
Dean's Ad Hoc Committee on Advocacy Concentrations (2009-2010)
Instructional Technology Committee (2013-2014)
Faculty Advisor, Labor and Employment Law Society (2014-2016)

U.S. SUPREME COURT AMICUS BRIEFS

Brief Amicus Curiae of Kimberly West-Faulcon in Support of Respondents, ABIGAIL NOEL FISHER V. UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, ET AL., No. 14-981, *in the Supreme Court of the United States* (Nov. 2, 2015).

Brief Amicus Curiae of Kimberly West-Faulcon in Support of Respondents, ABIGAIL NOEL FISHER V. UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, ET AL., No. 11-345, *in the Supreme Court of the United States* (Aug. 13, 2012).

COMMENTARIES

Civics 101: Court Extension, LMU MAGAZINE, July 21, 2021.

Affirmative Action Allegations, Trump's Newest Diversion Tactic, Are Fake News, HUFFINGTON POST BLOG, Aug. 4, 2017.

Surprisingly, Facts Rule the Day in Fisher II, SCOTUSBLOG, June 24, 2016.

Playing the Class Card in Racial Affirmative Action Cases, AMERICAN CONSTITUTION SOCIETY BLOG, Dec. 23, 2015.

The Story Behind Justice Scalia's "Slower-Track" Comments, HUFFINGTON POST BLOG, Dec. 15, 2015.

Why Abigail Fisher's Lawsuit is a Modern Day Trojan Horse, THE GRIO, Dec. 9, 2015.

The Real Cheating Scandal of Standardized Tests, MILLER-MCCUNE, Aug. 22, 2011.

America's Next Race War: How Ricci v. DeStefano *Seeks to Redefine Discrimination*, DEFENDERS ONLINE, July 7, 2009 (with Cheryl I. Harris).

Reverse or Rehearsed Discrimination in College Admissions, L.A. DAILY NEWS, Jun. 29, 2009.

Is Sotomayor a Reverse Racist? Testing the Limits of Tests, TODAY'S WORKPLACE, May 28, 2009.
Weighing in on Test Score Equality, L.A. DAILY JOURNAL, May 13, 2009.

Ricci v. DeStefano: A Test on Race, L.A. TIMES, April 24, 2009.

Looking Beyond the Numbers, L.A. DAILY JOURNAL, Nov. 4, 2003.

Stop Playing the SAT Numbers Game, PHILADELPHIA TRIBUNE, May 8, 2001 (with Elaine R. Jones).

ADDITIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Women in the Law
Panelist
Black Law Students Association
LMU Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (February 18, 2026)

The U.S. Repression Army's War on Inclusion:
The Long History of Attacks on Diversity, Equity, and Full Citizenship Inclusion
Keynote Speaker
History Matters
LMU History Department
Loyola Marymount University
Los Angeles, CA (February 17, 2026)

An Equal Justice Lexicon
Keynote Speaker & Champion of Justice Honoree
Equal Justice Society 25th Anniversary Gala
Equal Justice Society
San Francisco, CA (December 5, 2025)

Resisting the Whitewashing of American History
Panelist
20th Anniversary Johnnie L. Cochran Jr. Public Service Award Reception
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (October 16, 2025)

The SFFA v. Harvard *Trojan Horse Admissions Lawsuit*
Keynote Speaker
2025 LACBA Diversity & Inclusion Conference
Los Angeles County Bar Association & Loyola Law School
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (April 25, 2025)

Paper: *The* SFFA v. Harvard *Anti-Asian American Double-Deal*
Workshop Paper Presenter
University of Virginia School of Law Faculty Workshop
University of Virginia School of Law
Charlottesville, VA (March 21, 2025)

Deeper Dive into Recent Executive Orders Designed to End Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
Speaker (hosted by LLS Dean Brietta Clark)
The Dean's Den
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (Mar 17, 2025)

The SFFA v. Harvard *Trojan Horse Admissions Lawsuit*
Keynote Speaker
Derrick Bell Lecture
University of Oregon School of Law
Eugene, OR (February 20, 2025)

Exclusion of African American and Latino Students from Flagship State Universities
Panelist
Empirical Study of Legal Education and the Legal Profession: An Agenda for Future Research
2025 Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting
San Francisco, CA (January 10, 2025)

70th Anniversary of Brown v. Board of Education *Symposium*
Panelist & Article Contributor
Washburn Law Journal
Washburn University School of Law
Topeka, KS (the home of *Brown*) (November 7, 2024)

Racial Justice After SFFA v. Harvard
Panelist & Article Contributor
Northwestern University Law Review
Northwestern Pritzker School of Law
Chicago, IL (October 25, 2024)

White House Racial Equity Roundtable
Office of White House Counsel
The White House
Washington, DC (August 8, 2024)

Supreme Court Review of 2023-24 Term
Panelist (moderator Professor Rick Hasen)
The Hammer Museum
Los Angeles, CA (July 10, 2024)

CLC and CLEAR Constitutional Law Workshop
Panelist
Critical Legal Collective Constitutional Law Workshop
UC Irvine School of Law
Irvine, CA (May 31, 2024)

Know Your Gunstitutional Rights
Co-Speaker (with Professor Jacob Charles)
Students Demand Action & Criminal Law Society
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (April 18, 2024)

Paper: Anti-Asian Racism in Civil Rights Clothing
Workshop Paper Presenter
Syracuse Law Faculty Workshop
Syracuse University College of Law
Syracuse, NY (March 7, 2024)

Organizing for Democracy and Liberation
Paper Presenter: How *SFFA v. Harvard* Degrades "Discrimination"
Admissions and Affirmative Action
Critical (Legal) Collective Inaugural Conference
Duke University School of Law
Durham, NC (November 11, 2023)

Education Access and Opportunity
Panelist & Article Contributor
The Future of DEIA after *Students for Fair Admissions*
Syracuse Law Review Education Access and Opportunity Symposium
Syracuse University College of Law
Syracuse, NY (October 14, 2023)

Affirmative Action and the Constitution
Keynote
Constitution Day
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (September 18, 2023)

Going Forward: The Role of Affirmative Action, Race, and Diversity in University Admissions and the Broader Construction of Society
Panelist & Article Contributor
National Lessons from the Frontlines in California, Washington, the Hopwood Era, and Beyond
EPOCH 2023 Symposium
Seattle University Law Review & Seattle University Black Law Students Association
Seattle, WA (September 8, 2023)

Access to Higher Education: Considering the Supreme Court's Decision
Panelist (with David Hinojosa, argued *SFFA v. UNC* before U.S. Supreme Court, Jin Hee Lee, argued *SFFA v. Harvard* before U.S. Court of Appeals for First Circuit, and Professor Ted Shaw)
Williams College
Williamstown, MA
Virtual (August 10, 2023)

Paper: Degrading "Discrimination"
Western People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference and
the Conference of Asian Pacific American Law Faculty
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (June 26, 2023)

Looking to the Future: Race, Access, and Justice in Higher Education
Panelist (with David Hinojosa, argued *SFFA v. UNC* before U.S. Supreme Court, Jin Hee Lee, argued *SFFA v. Harvard* before U.S. Court of Appeals for First Circuit, and Professor Ted Shaw)
Williams College
Williamstown, MA
Virtual (May 10, 2023)

How to Turn Outrage into Action: Constitutional Law Experts Explain the Second Amendment
Co-Speaker (with Professor Justin Levitt)
Students Demand Action & PILF
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA
Virtual (April 18, 2023)

Affirmative Action: What's Structural Racism Got to Do with It?
Panelist
UCLA School of Law
Los Angeles, CA (April 4, 2023)

Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization: A Debate on the Recent Supreme Court Decision
Speaker (debated Megan Wold, former Clerk for Justice Samuel Alito (author of *Dobbs* ruling))
Pepperdine CSOL Federalist Society
Pepperdine Caruso School of Law
Malibu, CA (March 28, 2023)

Paths and Possibilities in Equality Law (Lunch panel)
Panelist
Equality Law Scholars' Forum
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (November 4, 2023)

Episode 4: *Diversity in Crisis: The Affirmative Action Oral Arguments*
Panelist
Constitutional Crisis Hotline
Hosts: Professors Jed Shugerman and Julie Suk
Fordham Law School
New York, NY
Podcast (November 2, 2022)

The Students for Fair Admissions Inc. v. Harvard *Case and the Future of Affirmative Action*
Panelist
Asian Pacific American Bar Association of Los Angeles (APABA)
Los Angeles, CA
Virtual (June 16, 2022)

Supreme Court Matters: The 2021-22 Landmark Cases
Speaker (with Professor Eugene Volokh and moderated by CMC President Hiram Chodosh)
The Athenaeum
Claremont McKenna College
Claremont, CA April 13, 2022)

Understanding the SFFA v. Harvard*,* SFFA v. UNC*, and* Fisher v. Texas *Cases*
Guest Lecturer
Race, Education and Opportunity (taught by Professor Kimberly Jenkins Robinson)

University of Virginia School of Law
Charlottesville, VA
Virtual (March 31, 2022)

Kimberly West-Faulcon On Constitutional Law
The Supporting Cast
Harvard-Westlake School
Podcast Feature Guest
(March 22, 2022)

Examining Litigation Over Highly Selective Higher Education Admissions
Guest Lecturer
Problems in Anti-Discrimination Law (taught by Professor Jonathan Feingold)
Boston University School of Law
Boston, MA
Virtual (November 9, 2021)

Dobbs: A Deep Dive
Speaker (with Michael Paulsen)
Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health and the Future of Roe v. Wade (Substantive Due Process and Government Regulation of Abortion)
American Constitution Society and Federalist Society
Pepperdine Caruso School of Law
Malibu, CA (October 26, 2021)

Supreme Court Round-Up
Panelist
The Erosion of Separation of Church & State as well as LGBTQ+ Rights in Fulton v. Philadelphia
American Constitution Society
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA
Virtual (September 30, 2021)

What Does Our American Community Ask of Us?
Keynote Speaker
Law Day
2021 Ninth Circuit Civics Contest
Central District of California
United States District Court
Pasadena, CA
Virtual (February 25, 2021)

The Legal Challenge That Yielded Brown v. Board of Education— And Brown's Evolution During The Succeeding Twenty Years (1954-1975)
Moderator (Panelists: Michael Klarman and Geoffrey R. Stone)
Equal Protection's Grand Promise and Betrayals: Reconstruction, Plessy to Bakke and Beyond
UNC School of Law
Chapel Hill, NC
Virtual (February 18, 2021)

A Lovely Discussion of Loving v. Virginia
Keynote Speaker
Black Law Students Association & Office of Student Affairs
Loyola Law School

Los Angeles, CA
Virtual (February 16, 2021)

Inauguration 2021: Witnessing History
Significance of Kamala Harris Taking Oath of Office
Panelist
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA
Virtual (January 20, 2021)

"We the People" As Protectors of Our Constitutional Democracy
Solo Teach-In Live Presentation
Loyola Marymount University
Los Angeles, CA
Virtual (January 20, 2021)

U.S. Presidential Inauguration Day Teach-In
Panel Speaker, Inauguration Viewing Event
Loyola Marymount University
Los Angeles, CA
Virtual (January 20, 2021)

A Night of Confrontation: Answering Today's Constitutional Questions
Panelist (with Erwin Chemerinsky, Noah Feldman, Susan Herman, and Alan Dershowitz)
Westside Bar Association
Los Angeles, CA
Virtual (December 3, 2020)

Remembering the Legacy of Ruth Bader Ginsburg
Panelist
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA
Virtual (September 23, 2020)

2019-2020 Supreme Court Review
Panelist
American Constitution Society, Los Angeles and Sacramento Lawyer Chapters & Mexican American Bar Association
Virtual (July 29, 2020)
https://www.acslaw.org/video/acs-los-angeles-2019-2020-supreme-court-review/

A Marriage of Church and State?
Speaker (with Eric Segall)
The Hammer Museum
Los Angeles, CA
Virtual (July 16, 2020)
https://hammer.ucla.edu/programs-events/2020/marriage-church-and-state

The Role of Government During Pandemic
Panelist (with Mayor of New Haven Justin Elicker)
Constitution Café
International Festival of Arts & Ideas
New Haven, CT
Virtual (June 3, 2020)

https://www.artidea.org/event/2020/4173

What's Going on With (Chief Justice) John Roberts?
Guest Commentator
VICE News
Live Stream (July 2, 2020)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e_WzFxDU6go

COVID-19 & The Constitution
Panelist
Legal Lunch Bites
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA
Virtual (May 27, 2020)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fKaMxVCFsb0

What the Constitution Means to Us
Mark Taper On-Stage Post-Feb. 27th Performance of *What the Constitution Means to Me* Panel
Panelist (with Cast & Southern California ACLU Executive Director Hector Villagra)
Los Angeles Magazine
Mark Taper Forum
Los Angeles, CA (February 27, 2020)

The Empirical Challenges
Panelist/Moderator
Bridging the Gap Between Litigation Strategy and Research
Co-Facilitator
Identifying and Dismantling Racial Obstacles to Educational Access
African American Policy Forum
UCLA School of Law
Los Angeles, CA (February 21, 2020)

Using Title IX to Fight Discrimination Against Transgender Students
Panelist
Exploring Critical Topics in Sports and Entertainment
2020 Entertainment Law Review Symposium
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (February 2, 2020)

Community Conversation: What the Constitution Means to Me?
Panelist
Center Theatre Group (Mark Taper Forum)
Los Angeles, CA (January 31, 2020)

Article II: The Executive Branch
Keynote Speaker
Constitution Happy Hour
The Hammer Museum
Los Angeles, CA (November 1, 2020) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tNiinMM1Qrs

#NotYourWedge: Building an Education Equity Agenda for Students of Color
Panelist
LDF Civil Rights Training Institute (Airlie)
Potomac, MD (October 19, 2019)

Supreme Court Preview
Panelist (with Rick Hasen, Jennifer Chacon, & Derek Muller)
The Hammer Museum
Los Angeles, CA (September 19, 2019)
https://hammer.ucla.edu/programs-events/2019/09/supreme-court-preview

Constitutional Law Workshop: Equality, Equity and Adequacy in Education, Critiquing Federal and State Definitions
Panelist
Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS)
Boca Raton, FL (July 28, 2019)

Supreme Court Review
Panelist
American Constitution Society, Los Angeles Chapter
Mexican Bar Association
Los Angeles, CA (July 17, 2019)

The "Big" Lies that "Whiten" Discrimination
Opening Plenary Panelist
Promoting Affirmative Action in Higher Education: Legal Strategy Session
Columbia Law School's Center for Intersectionality and Policy Studies & African American Policy Forum
Columbia Law School
New York, NY (May 9, 2019)

The Establishment Clause & American Legion v. American Humanist Assoc.
Speaker
Supreme Court Docket Update
LLS ACLU
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (April 10, 2019)

The State of Affirmative Action: Jurisprudence and Strategies Moving Forward
Panelist
Liberation Lawyering Conference
UCLA National Lawyers Guild, UCLA Black Law Students Association, UCLA South Asian Law Students Association
UCLA Law School
Los Angeles, CA (March 2, 2019)

Why Congress Holds the Cards on Constitutionality of Trump's Emergency Declaration
Speaker
Trump National Emergency and the Wall Event
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (February 19, 2019)

Originalism and Non-Originalism: Beyond the Myths
Panel Speaker
Constitutional Interpretation Panel Event
Department of Political Science
Azusa Pacific University
Azusa, CA (September 18, 2018)

From Kennedy to Kavanaugh: What it Means for Our Rights?
Panelist
Summer Civil Rights Litigation Spotlight
LLS ACLU
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (October 1, 2018)

150 and Beyond: Debating the 14th Amendment
Panelist
We the People: 150th Anniversary of the 14th Amendment Conference
National Constitution Center
Philadelphia, PA (April 23, 2018)

Impact of Presumptions of Black Intellectual Inferiority
Presenter
Trumping Our Rights Symposium
National Black Law Journal
UCLA School of Law
Los Angeles, CA (March 16, 2018)

Supreme Court Review and Preview
Speaker
Wm. Matthew Byrne, Jr. Judicial Clerkship Institute
Pepperdine School of Law
Malibu, CA (March 16, 2018)

Disparate Impact Deception
Speaker
Law, Politics, and Identity Workshop
Duke School of Law
Durham, NC (March 7, 2018)

14th Amendment: What the Equal Protection Clause Means to Students
Keynote Speaker (with Terrence Roberts, one of the "Little Rock Nine")
Law Day
2018 Ninth Circuit Civics Contest
Central District of California
United States District Court
Pasadena, CA (March 2, 2018)

Racial Justice Reform after Obama: Reconsidering Goals and Means
Presenter
University of Virginia School of Law
Charlottesville, VA (June 6, 2017)

Taking Public Interest Work into the Academy
Commentator
Skadden Fellows Southern California Reunion Symposium
Skadden Fellowship Foundation
Los Angeles, CA (April 21, 2017)

Trans Students' Rights: GG v. Gloucester County
Speaker
OutLaw
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (March 29, 2017)

Affirmative Action Jurisprudence: Reversing Equal Protection
Speaker
Constitutional Law & Challenges in Today's Environment
SCALL Institute
San Diego, CA (February 3, 2017)

Debrief Event: Trump Travel Ban Executive Order
Panelist
ACLU & South Asian Law Student Association
Loyola Marymount University
Los Angeles, CA (February 6, 2017)

We Are Not Saved by the Constitution
U.S. Presidential Inauguration Day Teach-In
Live Webcast
Speaker
Loyola Marymount University
Los Angeles, CA (January 20, 2017)

Race, Racism and American Law: Re-visioning for the 21st Century
Presenter
UCLA School of Law
Los Angeles, CA (September 23, 2016)

Supreme Court Review: The Constitution at a Crossroads
Panelist
American Constitution Society
USC Gould School of Law
Los Angeles, CA (September 19, 2016)

Considering the Why, What and How of a US Education Amendment
Panelist
Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS)
Amelia Island, FL (August 8, 2016)

Supreme Court Review
Panelist
American Constitution Society
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (April 6, 2016)

Remembering the 13th Amendment Event
Panelist
Stereotype Awareness Coalition, American Constitutional Society, Black Law Student Association, La Raza, Employment Law Student Association
Pico Union Project
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (January 15, 2016)

More Intelligent Understandings of Intelligence
Keynote
Posse Foundation
New York, NY (January 13, 2016)

Rethinking Merit in the Selective Admissions Process
Panelist
Symposium on Higher Education Access
UC Irvine School of Law
Irvine, CA (September 25, 2015)

Countering Colorblindness Across the Disciplines
Presenter
African American Policy Form
Center for Advanced Study in Behavioral Sciences at Stanford University
University of Oregon
Eugene, OR (June 3, 2015)

Post-Fisher *Litigation Challenges*
Panelist
Fisher v. UT: *Study on Race and Ethnicity in Admissions Workshop*
UCLA School of Law
Los Angeles, CA (March 19, 2015)

Hiring for Diversity in the Context of Recent Supreme Court Decisions
Panelist
Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion
San Diego, CA (November 23, 2014)

Law School 101
Panelist
La Raza de Loyola Law School Admissions Workshop
Los Angeles, CA (October 25, 2014)

Bakke to Bollinger, Quotas to Affirmative Action, Diversity to Sponsorship
Panelist
Langston Law Institute
Los Angeles, CA (September 13, 2014)

Inequity in Education 60 Years after Brown
Panelist
American Constitution Society San Diego Lawyer Chapter
San Diego, CA (May 31, 2014)

Impact Litigation
Panelist
PILF Speaker Series
Public Interest Law Foundation
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (February 11, 2014)

Understanding the Supreme Court's Affirmative Action Jurisprudence
Panelist
Black Law Students Association
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (November 13, 2013)

Pledging Work (Not Faith) in Our Constitution: Deeds of Dissent
Keynote Address
Constitution Day
Loyola Marymount University
Los Angeles, CA (September 17, 2013)

Roundtable on Law and Race
Higher Education
Commentator
Stanford Law School
Palo Alto, CA (April 27, 2013)

Fisher v. UT Austin: Impact on the APA Community
Panelist
Asian Pacific American Law Students Association
UC Irvine School of Law
Irvine, CA (November 7, 2012)

Fisher v. UT Austin
Guest Speaker
American Constitution Society, Black Law Students Association, La Raza
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (October 30, 2012)

Race, Class, and Civil Rights Concerns in Transportation Policy
Panelist
Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS)
Amelia Island, FL (August 4, 2012)

From Ricci to Fisher: Navigating Affirmative Action in the Age of Colorblind Determinism
8th Annual Social Justice Writers Workshop
Presenter
African American Policy Forum
Negril, Jamaica (July 17, 2012)

Impact of Public Interest Work on Law Teaching
Panelist
Skadden Fellows Southern California Reunion Symposium
Skadden Fellowship Foundation
Los Angeles, CA (June 22, 2012)

Civil Rights Law
Instructor
Journalist Law School
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (May 31, 2012)

Shultz-Zedeck Effective Lawyering Conference
Admissions Working Group Invited Member
UC Berkeley School of Law
Berkeley, CA (March 2-3, 2012)

Disparate Impact Mischief
Workshop Presenter
Cardozo Law Faculty Workshop
Cardozo School of Law
New York, NY (February 27, 2012)

The Barber of Birmingham: A Foot Solider in the Civil Rights Movement
Film Discussion Moderator & Commentator
Simon Wiesenthal Center Museum of Tolerance
Los Angeles, CA (January 15, 2012)

Roundtable on Intersection of Critical Race Theory and Employment
Panelist
Sixth Annual Labor and Employment Law Colloquium
Southwestern Law School, Loyola Law School, and UCLA's Downtown Labor Center
Los Angeles, CA (September 16, 2011)

Civil Rights and the K through 12 Education Reform Agenda
Panelist
Curricular Development Workshop
Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS)
Hilton Head, SC (July 26, 2011)

Civil Rights Law
Instructor
Journalist Law School
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (June 16, 2011)

More Intelligent Design: Testing Measures of Merit
Colloquium Speaker
Re-envisioning Law Colloquium
University of Houston Law Center
Houston, TX (March 3, 2011)

More Intelligent Design: Testing Measures of Merit
Workshop Presenter
Vanderbilt Law School Faculty Workshop
Vanderbilt Law School
Nashville, TN (March 2, 2011)

More Intelligent Design: Testing Measures of Merit
Workshop Presenter
UNC School of Law Faculty Workshop
UNC School of Law
Chapel Hill, NC (February 21, 2011)

Beyond the Movies: What is Really Happening in Public Schools
Moderator
St. Thomas More Law Honor Society Speaker Series
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (February 17, 2011)

Teaching in a Transformative Era: The Law School of the Future
Panelist
Law School Admissions and Exclusion
Society of American Law Teachers
Honolulu, HI (December 11, 2010)

Twenty Years After the 1991 Civil Rights Act: What Does the Future Hold?
Symposium Speaker
Wake Forest Law Review
Wake Forest University Law School
Winston-Salem, NC (November 5, 2010)

Where Are We Now After Ricci v. DeStefano
Panelist
Labor & Employment Law Workshop
Southeastern Association of Law Schools
Palm Beach, FL (August 4, 2010)

Civil Rights Implications of High Stakes Testing
Workshop Presenter
Journalist Law School
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (June 17, 2010)

Interventions: The Possibilities of Law
Panelist
Workshop on "Post-Racial" Civil Rights Law
2010 Mid-Year Meeting
Association of American Law Schools
New York, NY (June 10, 2010)

Black Los Angeles: American Dreams and Racial Realities
Symposium Moderator
Bunche Center for African American Studies
University of California Los Angeles (UCLA)
Los Angeles, CA (May 25, 2010)

High Stakes Testing: The Erik V. v. Causby Litigation
Guest Lecturer
Doctoral Course: Legal and Policy Issues in Education
Doctoral Program in Educational Leadership for Social Justice
School of Education
Loyola Marymount University
Los Angeles, CA (March 22, 2010)

Civil Rights
Speaker
Black History Month Panel

Black Law Students Association
Pepperdine Law School
Malibu, CA (February 25, 2010)

Lessons From Little Rock
Keynote Speaker (with Terrence Roberts, one of the "Little Rock Nine")
Simon Wiesenthal Center Museum of Tolerance
Los Angeles, CA (February 1, 2010)

Reading Ricci: The New Haven Firefighters' Case
Panelist
Hot Topics Panel
2010 Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting
New Orleans, LA (January 8, 2010)

Law and Limits of Testing: Ricci v. DeStefano
Speaker
Medical Education Program
Encino-Tarzana Regional Medical Center Hospital
Tarzana, CA (July 27, 2009)

Employing Tests: Situating Ricci v. DeStefano in the Current Discourse on Race and Testing
Workshop Presenter
Journalist Law School
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (June 18, 2009)

Intelligence, Testing and the Law
Workshop Presenter
Colorblind Disciplining of Race-Conscious Work: Critical Interventions Across the Academy
Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences (CASBS)
Stanford University
Palo Alto, CA (June 2, 2009)

Reaching Forward: A Discussion between Academics and Advocacy Organizations
Panelist Speaker
Fred T. Korematsu Center for Law and Equality
Seattle University School of Law
Seattle, WA (April 18, 2009)

Obama's Education Reform Agenda and No Child Left Behind
Speaker
Forum on National Education Reform
Thomas Jefferson School of Law
San Diego, CA (April 1, 2009)

More Intelligent Design
Panelist
Race in Colorblind Spaces
Third Annual Critical Race Studies Symposium
UCLA School of Law
Los Angeles, CA (March 7, 2009)

Employing Tests: Practical Value vs. Psychometric Validity in Ricci v. DeStefano
Panelist
Civil Rights and the Roberts Court
American Constitution Society
UCLA School of Law
Los Angeles, CA (February 25, 2009)

The River Runs Dry: When Title VI Trumps State Anti-Affirmative Action Laws
Workshop Presenter
UCLA School of Law Faculty Colloquium
UCLA School of Law
Los Angeles, CA (October 10, 2008)

The River Runs Dry: When Title VI Trumps State Anti-Affirmative Action Laws
Workshop Presenter
Loyola Law School Faculty Workshop
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (September 18, 2008)

France's Statistical Color-Blindness in Question: Statistical Analysis as Proof of Racial "Effect" Discrimination
Workshop Presenter
Perspectives on Anti-Discrimination and Affirmative Action Policies in the United States and France
Center d'Etudes et de Recherches Internationales
Paris, France (May 20, 2008)

The River Runs Dry: When Title VI Trumps State Anti-Affirmative Action Laws
Workshop Presenter
Conference of Asian Pacific American Law Faculty (CAPALF) and Western Law Teachers of Color Conference
University of Denver Sturm College of Law
Denver, CO (April 25, 2008)

Gender and Racial Diversity in the Legal Profession
Speaker
American Bar Association Law Loyola Law Student Division
Diversity Day
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (March 26, 2008)

Return of a Civil Rights Hero from Little Rock to Los Angeles
(with Dr. Terrence Roberts, one of the "Little Rock Nine")
Simon Wiesenthal Center Museum of Tolerance
Los Angeles, CA (February 18, 2008)

The River Runs Dry: When Title VI Trumps State Anti-Affirmative Action Laws
UCLA Critical Race Studies Workshop
UCLA School of Law
Los Angeles, CA (February 4, 2008)

What Can We Do, Post-Michigan Proposal 2?
National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC) 63rd National Conference
Austin, TX (September 27, 2007)

More Intelligent Design
New Scholars Presentation
Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS)
Amelia Island, FL (August 2, 2007)

From Race Preference to Race Discrimination: Examining the Federal Obligation to Use Race After Proposition 209
Southeast/Southwest People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference
Florida A&M University College of Law
Orlando, FL (March 17, 2007)

*From Race Preference to Race Discrimination: Does Proposition 209 Permit Remedial Affirmative Actio*n*?*
Boalt Hall Earl Warren Institute Equal Opportunity in Higher Education: The Past and Future of Proposition 209" Conference
UC Berkeley Boalt Hall School of Law
Berkeley, CA (October 28, 2006)

Supreme Court Justice (with Dean Ken Starr, Professor Gail Heriot and Professor Cheryl Harris)
Meredith v. Jefferson County Board of Education Supreme Court Moot
UCLA American Constitution Society
UCLA School of Law
Los Angeles, CA (October 24, 2006).

Legal Significance of California Proposition 209
African-American Attorneys in Downtown Firms "Tenth Anniversary of California Proposition 209"
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (May 25, 2006)

Multi-Racial Litigation as Civil Rights Strategy in Abercrombie v. Gonzalez
Loyola Law School Asian Pacific American Law Students Association (APALSA)
Loyola Law School
Los Angeles, CA (February 2006)

More Intelligent Design
National Black Law Journal 35th Anniversary Symposium
"Regression Analysis: The Status of African Americans in American Legal Education"
UCLA School of Law
Los Angeles, CA (November 18, 2005)

Using Castaneda v. UC Regents to Show How Post-Affirmative Action Schools Can Do More
UCLA Chicano-Latino Law Review Symposium "Proposition 209: Ten Years Later"
UCLA School of Law
Los Angeles, CA (November 1, 2005)

Distinguishing Corporate Social Justice as Profit Maximization
Center on Corporations, Law & Society at Seattle University School of Law
Fourth Annual Conference of the Equal Justice Society
"New Strategies for Justice: Linking Corporate Law with Progressive Social Movements"
UCLA School of Law
Los Angeles, CA (April 9, 2005)

Promoting Equal Opportunity Post-Grutter
African American Policy Forum & The Leadership Conference on Civil Rights

"A Strategy Summit on Affirmative Action: Reclaiming the High Ground 50 Years After Brown"
Washington, DC (October 14, 2004)

Reform in the Los Angeles Police Department: Where do we go from here?
Keynote Address
The Urban Issues Breakfast Forum of Greater Los Angeles
Los Angeles, CA (July 2004)

Nuts and Bolts of Federal Civil Rights Litigation as Applied to Poverty Law Practice
National Legal Aid & Defender Association Substantive Law Conference
University of California at Los Angeles
Los Angeles, CA (July 2004)

Case-study of Castaneda v. UC Regents
Guest Lecturer
Stanford Law School Racial Justice Advocacy Seminar (taught by Michelle Alexander)
Stanford Law School
Palo Alto, CA (April 2004)

Meeting the Challenges to Economic Opportunity and Diversity
Greenlining Institute Economic Development Summit
Los Angeles, CA (April 2004)

Reporting on the 50th Anniversary of Brown v. Board of Education
Annual National Meeting of the Education Writers Association
Los Angeles, CA (April 2004)

The Merits of Testing as Understood by the U.S. Supreme Court
Guest Lecturer
Race Conscious Remedies (taught by Professor Kimberlé Crenshaw)
Joint Columbia Law and UCLA Law Seminar
UCLA School of Law
Los Angeles, CA (February 2004)

Understanding Test Score Misuse in College Admissions and Scholarship Awards
National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC) 59th National Conference
Long Beach, CA (October 2003)

Affirmative Action in the New Millennium (with Lani Guinier, Connie Rice and Eva Paterson)
Just the Beginning Foundation and the California Law Community Consortium
San Francisco, CA (September 2000)

Maintaining Diversity After I-200
Presentation to Regents of the University of Washington
University of Washington
Seattle, WA (May 19, 1999)

Social Activism and Legal Representation of Underserved Communities
California State University Long Beach and The City University of New York
Long Beach, CA (November 1998)

Legal Theories to Address Misuse of Tests and Other Classifying Devices
Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Conference "Challenging Education Discrimination"
Atlanta, GA (September 1997)

MEDIA INTERVIEWS, QUOTES & FEATURES

"Cuts to Race-Based Scholarships Block Path to College, Students Say" (quoted)
Washington Post
August 28, 2024

"The Supreme Court Excluded Military Academies From Its Admissions Ruling. Now SFFA Is Challenging It." (quoted)
Chronicle of Higher Education
September 19, 2023

"Employers Caught in DEI Political Crossfire"
ALM BenefitsPro
Aug. 3, 2023

"US Companies Caught in Diversity Crossfire Are Frozen by Uncertainty" (quoted)
Bloomberg Law News
July 29, 2023

"Did Harvard Intentionally Discriminate? In Admissions Discrimination Suit, the Supreme Court Doesn't Say" (analysis feature quoted)
The Harvard Crimson
July 20, 2023

"Here's how the US Supreme Court's affirmative action ruling may impact students at UT" (quoted)
WBIR News
June 30, 2023

"What Justice Jackson's recusal from Harvard affirmative action case means for Black students" (quoted)
USA Today
February 28, 2023

"Can San Francisco replace an executive to boost diversity? Here's what experts say about controversial elections boss case" (quoted)
San Francisco Chronicle
November 23, 2022

"How Will SCOTUS Rule on Affirmative Action?" (feature quoted)
Best Colleges
November 9, 2022

"California Prop 1 for abortion rights passes" (quoted and analysis explained)
Fox 11 Los Angeles
November 8, 2022

"California Prop 1 wouldn't legalize abortion until 'moment of birth'" (fact-checking analysis quoted and explained)
AP News Verification-Abortion
Associated Press (AP)
November 4, 2022

"As Race-Conscious Admissions Policies Go Before the Supreme Court, Here's What 6 Experts Are Listening For" (analysis feature quoted)
The Chronicle of Higher Education

October 29, 2022

"Emboldened by Conservative Court, Ed Blum Seeks to Close Out 'Long Game' Against Affirmative Action" (feature quoted)
The Harvard Crimson
October 28, 2022

"Supreme Court to Hear Harvard and UNC Affirmative Action Case" (quoted)
The Daily Free Press
February 3, 2022

"Supreme Court Will Hear Admissions Cases, Suggesting Conservatives May Target Affirmative Action" (quoted)
Country Highlights
January 24, 2022

"Originalism Moves From Theory to High Court" (quoted)
The Christian Science Monitor
December 21, 2021

"3 Takeaways From the Ruling on UNC's Admissions Policies" (quoted)
The Chronicle of Higher Education
October 19, 2021

"What Supreme Court's jettisoning of precedent may mean for future" (quoted)
The Christian Science Monitor
May 20, 2021

"Combatting AAPI Hate" (scholarship quoted and explained in depth)
The Regulatory Review
Saturday Seminar/Rights
May 8, 2021

"California's Su Rises in Biden Labor Chief Race as Unions Split" (quoted)
Bloomberg Law
Nov. 24, 2020

"Appeals court rules Harvard does not discriminate against Asian-American applicants" (quoted)
The Daily Free Press
November 16, 2020

"How will a new U.S. Supreme Court Justice affect our nation's politics?" (panel interview show with Professor Bertrall Ross)
CSUN On Point
November 8, 2020

"Supreme Court: Would Trump pick inevitably mean a sharp right turn" (quoted)
The Christian Science Monitor
September 24, 2020

"The Passing of Ruth Bader Ginsburg" (interview)
All Things Considered with Nick Roman
September 18, 2020

"Biden v. Trump: Judicial Nominations and the Impact on the Courts" (feature interview)
NPR Airtalk hosted by Larry Mantle
89.3 KPCC
September 8, 2020

"Supreme Court LGBTQ ruling leaves many battles still to be fought" (quoted)
The Legal Examiner
June 17, 2020

"'Law School 101': How Supreme Court ended its term" (quoted)
The Christian Science Monitor
July 10, 2020

"Are L.G.B.T. employees at Catholic institutions protected by the new SCOTUS ruling?" (quoted)
America
June 19, 2020

"GOP Senate sits on broad gay rights bill as high court bans LGBTQ job bias'" (quoted)
San Francisco Chronicle
June 15, 2020

"'Messy' Powers Question Intentional" (commentary featured and quoted)
New Haven Independent
June 4, 2020

"PBS NewsHour and Politico host final Democratic debate of 2019" (quoted)
Los Angeles Sentinel
December 26, 2019

"Fired for being gay? LGBTQ rights return to Supreme Court" (quoted)
The Christian Science Monitor
October 8, 2019

"Supreme Court conservatives poised to make their mark in new term" (quoted)
The Christian Science Monitor
October 7, 2019

"Harvard Ruling Will Not End Affirmative Action Battle" (quoted)
Chronicle of Higher Education (*University World News*)
October 5, 2019

"Harvard Discrimination Case and Its Potential to Go to SCOTUS" (feature interview)
NPR Airtalk hosted by Larry Mantle
89.3 KPCC
October 2, 2019

"Harvard Ruling May Offer 'Roadmap' for Other Affirmative Action Cases" (quoted)
The Harvard Crimson
October 2, 2019

"Everything is Not Sunshine: What the Harvard Decision Means for Race-Conscious Admissions" (quoted)
The Chronicle of Higher Education
October 1, 2019

"Legal experts say affirmative-action measure wouldn't permit use of racial quotas" (quoted)
Crosscut
September 27, 2019
"Winery that refused to hold a wedding for same-sex couple reverses course following criticism" (quoted)
Los Angeles Times
September 13, 2019

"Michael Cohen delivered his explosive testimony — what now?" (feature interview)
NPR *AirTalk* hosted by Larry Mantle
89.3 KPCC
February 28, 2019

"The Trump Presidency: Border Battle" (feature on-camera interview)
CBSLA/CBS KCAL9 News
February 14, 2019

"The Future of Affirmative Action Explained" (feature on-camera interview)
The Philip DeFranco Show https://youtu.be/hd2qtQuGDts
December 19, 2018

"Can Trump end birthright citizenship?—and should it end" (feature interview)
NPR *AirTalk* hosted by Larry Mantle
89.3 KPCC
October 30, 2018

"Sandra Day O'Connor announces possible Alzheimer diagnosis" (feature interview)
NPR *AirTalk* hosted by Larry Mantle
89.3 KPCC
October 23, 2018

"Post-confirmation, we look at Kavanaugh's judicial philosophy and where it sits within the SCOTUS conservative bloc" (feature interview)
NPR *AirTalk* hosted by Larry Mantle
89.3 KPCC
October 9, 2018

"Kavanaugh: What You Need to Know About the SCOTUS Nominee" (feature interview)
The Los Angeles Loyolan
September 12, 2018

"Legal and political analysis of Kavanaugh confirmation hearings as abortion documents snag—Spotlight on Day 3" (feature interview)
NPR *AirTalk* hosted by Larry Mantle
89.3 KPCC
September 6, 2018

"Supreme Court hearings are broken, both parties say—How they can be fixed" (feature interview)
Christian Science Monitor
September 7, 2018

"At Kavanaugh Hearings, Questions of How Much Power a President Should Hold" (feature interview)
Christian Science Monitor
September 4, 2018

"Revelations in Harvard Admissions Suit Unlikely to Prove Discrimination, Experts Say" (quoted)
Harvard Crimson
June 19, 2018

"Lawsuit Against Harvard Could Unravel Diversity" (quoted)
Voice of America
July 16, 2018

"Autoerotic Obstruction of Justice" (interview for podcast taped in front of live audience at *The Hollywood Improv*)
Lovett or Leave It with Jon Lovett
June 8, 2018

"Experts Say DOJ Brief in Admissions Suit Will Have Little Impact" (quoted)
Harvard Crimson
April 10, 2018

"We're About to Find Out What Happens When a Liberal State Asserts its Right Not to Follow a Federal Law" (quoted)
BuzzFeed News
March 8, 2018

"Trump's Latest Affirmative Action Move Exploits Asian-American Students" (feature interview)
Bustle
November 28, 2017

"The Data on Affirmative Action" (feature interview)
Sojourner Truth with Margaret Prescod
August 29, 2017

"Lowering the bar: Possible changes to lawyer exam could help students of color, immigrants" (feature interview)
NPR *Take Two*
89.3 KPCC
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"Justice Department Investigating Harvard University's Affirmative Action policies, Threatens to Sue" (quoted)
NBC News.com
November 21, 2017

"Scholars: Fisher Decision Gives Colleges 'Breathing Room' to Consider Race in Admissions" (quoted)
Diverse Issues in Higher Education
June 23, 2016

"Supreme Court Upholds Use of Affirmative Action at Universities" (quoted)
Los Angeles Times
June 23, 2016

"Justice Scalia's Slower-Track Comments" (feature interview)
KABC7 LIVE
December 10, 2015

"UT case on race has much at stake" (quoted)
The Houston Chronicle
December 8, 2015

"How Fair is the LA Fire Department's Current Hiring Practices?" (feature interview)
AirTalk
KPCC
October 3, 2014

"Michigan Race Case Likely Also to Decide California's Affirmative Action Law" (quoted)
Los Angeles Daily Journal
October 16, 2013

"Is Affirmative Action at Risk Again?" (quoted)
Colorlines
October 15, 2013

"LMU Celebrates Constitution through Critical Analysis" (reporting on keynote speech)
The Los Angeles Loyolan
September 18, 2013

"Wake Schools Under Multiple Federal Civil Rights Investigations" (quoted)
News and Observer
July 5, 2012

"L.A. Agreement Sets Limits on Seniority-Based Teacher Layoffs" (quoted)
Education Week
October 13, 2010

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Chronicle of Higher Education
June 17, 2009

"What Legal Experts Think of Sotomayor's Performance" (feature interview)
The Los Angeles Times
July 17, 2009

"Legal Experts' Views on the Sotomayor Hearings" (feature interview)
The Los Angeles Times
July 16, 2009

"Legal Experts on Day Two of the Sotomayor Hearings" (feature interview)
The Los Angeles Times
July 15, 2009

"Day One of the Sotomayor Hearings: A Legal Perspective" (feature interview)
The Los Angeles Times
July 14, 2009

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The New York Times
November 17, 2004

"Abercrombie & Fitch Settles Discrimination Suit" (quoted)
NPR Morning Edition, National Public Radio
November 17, 2004

"Judge Accepts Abercrombie Plan to Settle Hiring Lawsuits" (quoted)
Los Angeles Times
November 17, 2004

"$40 Million Payment, Detailed Plan for Diversity in Employment Discrimination Suit Against Retail Giant Abercrombie & Fitch" (quoted)
Business Wire
November 16, 2004

"Desegregation Case Established Precedent a Decade Before Brown" (quoted)
Education Reporter
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May/June 2004

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The Tavis Smiley Show
National Public Radio
December 9, 2003

"California Proposition 54" (feature interview)
NPR *AirTalk* hosted by Larry Mantle
89.3 KPCC
October 6, 2003

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The Daily News of Los Angeles
June 18, 2003

"Abercrombie & Fitch sued for discrimination: Minorities not given equal treatment in hiring, jobs, suit says" (quoted)
Long Beach Press-Telegram
June 17, 2003

"Race Matters" (feature interview)
The New Crisis Magazine
November/December 2002

"No LAPD Insiders Make List of Three Finalists for Chief" (quoted)
Los Angeles Times
September 20, 2002

"Council give early OK to law prohibiting predatory lending practices" (quoted)
Copley News Service
November 22, 2002

Civil Rights Litigation (feature interview)
Working Assets Radio
April 16, 2002

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The Daily News of Los Angeles
May 3, 2002

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San Gabriel Valley Tribune
May 2, 2002

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Ebony
December 1999

"30 Leaders of Future" (featured)
Ebony
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Daily Bruin
June 2, 1999

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The Washington Post
April 17, 1999

"Federal Civil Rights Lawsuit Filed by Minority Students" (feature interview)
Forum with Michael Krasny
KQED Radio
February 10, 1999

"California Students Strikes Back" (quoted)
Black Issues in Higher Education
February 18, 1999

"Civil Rights Groups Sue UC-Berkeley Over Admissions Criteria" (quoted)
Education Week
February 10, 1999

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Los Angeles Times
Feb. 9, 1999

"Discrimination Lawsuit Against UC Berkeley" (feature interview)
Lead Story Black Entertainment Television (BET)
February 7, 1999

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The New York Times
February3, 1999

"High Stakes Tests: Truths or Consequences" (feature interview)
Education Week
October 22, 1997

REPRESENTATIVE LEGISLATIVE TESTIMONY

Brown v. Board of Education: 50 Years Later
California Assembly Select Committee on Urban Youth
California State Legislature
Sacramento, CA (May 4, 2004)

Civil Rights Consequences of Proposed California Proposition 54
Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
Los Angeles, CA (July 29, 2003)

Los Angeles Anti-Predatory Loan Ordinance
Los Angeles City Council
Los Angeles, CA (November 22, 2002)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Washington, DC
Civil Rights Division, Educational Opportunities Section
Honors Program Legal Intern
Educational Opportunities Section: Worked as member of four-person litigation team assigned high-profile school desegregation case in Wedowee, Alabama. Researched and wrote court motions and memoranda. Participated in pre-trial investigation, discovery, and settlement negotiation.

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERITIES UNION New York, NY
National Legal Department
Legal Intern
Researched and wrote internal memoranda responding to legal questions posed by staff attorneys. Drafted and provided research for court briefs and memoranda on constitutional and civil procedure issues.

NEW HAVEN LEGAL ASSISTANCE ASSOCIATION, INC. New Haven, CT
Child Law Unit
Legal Intern
Child Law Unit: Represented interests of minors in varied civil matters under attorney supervision.

SHELL OIL COMPANY Houston, TX
Legal Intern
Corporate Law Division: Wrote and presented paper, "The Corporate Watergate," analyzing 1970s illegal corporate political campaign contributions.
Mining Law Division: Prepared documents for trial.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA Raleigh, NC
Intern to Public Education Advisor of Governor James Martin **(R)**
Assisted in various departments.

UNITED STATES SENATE Washington, DC
Intern to Senator Terry Sanford **(D-NC)**
Assisted staff, conducted research, took constituent phone calls, reviewed and responded to constituent correspondence.

UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Washington, DC
Intern to Congressman David Price (D-NC)
Assisted staff, conducted research, took constituent phone calls, reviewed and responded to constituent correspondence.

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CENTURY III LEADERS New York, NY
National Spokesperson various U.S. cities
Represented Century III Leaders Scholarship Program at NASSP (National Association of Secondary School Principals) National Leaders Training Centers.
Presentations and newspaper interviews: Lake Tahoe, NV; Castine, ME; Southampton, NY; Rapid City, SD; Knoxville, TN.
Media training: Burson-Marsteller Public Relations Firm, New York, NY.

BOARD & COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS

Mellon Foundation, Dreaming a World Affirmative Action Advisory Committee (2022-2023)
Legal Advisory Committee, ACLU of Southern California (2019-2021)
Advisory Board for Civil War and Reconstruction Gallery, National Constitution Center (2018)
Trustee, Oakwood School (2009-2015)
African American Policy Forum Fellow (2010-2013)
Board Member, Environmental Justice Fund, Liberty Hill Foundation (2000-2002)

ASSOCIATIONS

American Association of Law Schools (current)
American Bar Association (current)
Federal Bar Association
Los Angeles County Bar Association
National Bar Association
National Employment Lawyers Association
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority