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APPOINTMENTS

Suffolk University Law School, Boston, MA, 2022-Present
Associate Professor of Law

Suffolk University Law School, Boston, MA, 2020-2022
Assistant Professor of Law

Berkeley Law, University of California, Berkeley, CA, 2013-2019
Research Director, Atrocity Response Program, Human Rights Center
Research Fellow, Human Rights Center

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley, M.A., Ph.D. Sociology
Dissertation: *Hijacking Counterterrorism: The Globalization of National Anti-Terrorism Laws*
Committee: Marion Fourcade (Chair), Neil Fligstein, and Jonathan Simon
Qualifying exams in race, education, and social theory

Berkeley Law, J.D.
Honors: *3L high distinction*
Berkeley Empirical Legal Studies Fellow
Human Rights Fellow

Cambridge University, M.Phil Social Anthropology
Thesis: *Customary Law and Sustainable Development: Lessons of Resource Management from the Shores of Lake Titicaca and Lake Victoria*
Honors: *Fulbright Scholar*
Distinction (high honors)

Temple University, B.A. Political Science
Honors: *Phi Beta Kappa*
Harry S. Truman Scholar

TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

Teaching: criminal law, criminal procedure, public international law, race and law, ocean law.

Research: international criminal law, ocean governance, deep sea mining, new legal realism.

PUBLICATIONS

Oceanic Impunity, 97 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LAW REVIEW (Forthcoming 2024)

Exploiting Seabed Law, 45 UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW (Forthcoming 2024) (with Jeffrey Feldmann)

[Book Review] *Global Burning: Rising Antidemocracy and the Climate Crisis*, LAW & SOCIETY REVIEW (2023)

[Book Review] *The Poseidon Project: The Struggle To Govern The World's Oceans*, 2 MICHIGAN JOURNAL OF LAW & SOCIETY (2023)

“Bearing Witness: Testimony and Transitional Justice in the Aftermath of Mass Violence,” *Palgrave Handbook of Testimony and Culture*, Sara Jones and Roger Woods (eds.), Palgrave Press 2023 (with Eric Stover)

Dark Law on the South China Sea, 23 CHICAGO JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 62 (2022)

Dark Law: Legalistic Autocrats, Judicial Deference, and the Global Transformation of National Security, 6 UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA JOURNAL OF LAW AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS 463 (2021)

Victims and Prosecutors: Clientelism, Legalism, and Culture at the International Criminal Court, 51 CORNELL INTERNATIONAL LAW JOURNAL 339 (2020)

“‘We will not go away’: The Participation of Victims and Witnesses in International Criminal Tribunals,” *The President on Trial: Prosecuting Hissène Habré*, Sharon Weill, Kim Thuy Seelinger, Kerstin Bree Carlson (eds.), Oxford University Press 2020. (with Eric Stover)

Procedural Justice in Transnational Contexts, 51 VIRGINIA JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 1 (2018-2019) (with Alexa Koenig)

“The Role of Victims: Emerging Rights to Participation and Reparation in International Criminal Courts,” *International Law in Context*, Philipp Kastner (ed.), Routledge Press 2018. (with Eric Stover)

“Legitimacy, Procedural Justice, and Victim Participation in Uganda,” *The Legitimacy of International Criminal Tribunals*, Nobuo Hayashi and Cecilia Bailliet (eds.), Cambridge University Press 2017.

“Witness Testimony, Support, and Protection at the International Criminal Court,” *Africa and the International Criminal Court*, Kamari Clarke and Eefje de Volder (eds.), Cambridge University Press 2016. (with Alexa Koenig and Eric Stover)

Children as Victims and Participants in International Justice, 2 IHRC JOURNAL OF HUMAN RIGHTS 11 (Fall 2016).

“The Victims’ Court? A Study of 622 Victim Participants at The International Criminal Court,” Human Rights Center, University of California, Berkeley, School of Law. (2015) (with Eric Stover, Mychelle Balthazard, and Alexa Koenig)

“Une Cour Pour Les Victimes? Une étude de 622 victimes participantes à la Cour pénale internationale,” Human Rights Center, University of California, Berkeley, School of Law. (with Eric Stover, Mychelle Balthazard, and Alexa Koenig) [French translation of “The Victims’ Court?”] (2017)

“First Responders: An International Workshop on Collecting and Analyzing Evidence of International Crimes,” Human Rights Center, University of California, Berkeley, School of Law, in collaboration with the Open Society Justice Initiative. (2014) (with Alexa Koenig, Andrea Lampros, and Julia Rayner)

“Bearing Witness at the International Criminal Court: An Interview Survey of 109 Witnesses,” Human Rights Center, University of California, Berkeley, School of Law, in collaboration with the Victims’ and Witnesses Unit of the International Criminal Court. (2014) (with Alexa Koenig, Robin Mejia, and Eric Stover)

“Digital Fingerprints: Using Electronic Evidence to Advance Prosecutions at the International Criminal Court,” Human Rights Center, University of California, Berkeley, School of Law, in conjunction with the Office of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court. (2014) (with Alexa Koenig, Camille Crittenden, and Eric Stover)

Laurel E. Fletcher and Eric Stover, *The Guantánamo Effect: Exposing the Consequences of U.S. Detention and Interrogation Practices* (University of California Press 2009). (contributing author with Alexa Koenig, Zulaikha Aziz, Alexis Kelly, Sarah Staveteig, and Nobuko Mizoguchi)

“Guantánamo and Its Aftermath: U.S. Detention and Interrogation Practices and their Impact on Former Detainees,” Berkeley Human Rights Center. (2008) (with Laurel Fletcher, Eric Stover, Alexa Koenig, Zulaikha Aziz, Alexis Kelly, Sarah Staveteig, and Nobuko Mizoguchi)

SELECTED EXPERIENCE

Deep Ocean Stewardship Initiative (DOSI)
Member, Deep Sea Minerals Working Group, 2022-2023
Member, Biodiversity Working Group, 2022-2023

United States’ Attorney’s Office, Eastern District of California
Special Assistant United States Attorney, 2019

San Joaquin District Attorney’s Office
Researcher, Gang Unit, 2018

District of Columbia Superior Court, Criminal Division
Law Clerk to the Senior Judges, 2013

Officer Candidate School, United States Marine Corps
Officer Candidate, 2010 (medically out-processed for stress fracture)

Human Rights Watch, Program on Terrorism and Counterterrorism
Legal Intern, 2009

International Refugee Assistance Project, Berkeley Law
Law Student Advocate, 2009-2010

TEACHING

Suffolk University Law School, 2020-present

Courses: Criminal law, Criminal Procedure, Mass Incarceration, Race and American Law, Ocean Law
Selected Professor of the Year by the Student Bar Association in 2023

University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law, 2016-18

Courses: Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure, International Criminal Law, Civil Procedure, and
Criminal Justice Reform.

Berkeley Law, 2014-15

Courses: Co-supervised 1L students in the International Human Rights Workshop and 2L/3L
students in the International Human Rights Law Clinic.

College of Southern Nevada, 2012

Courses: Principles of Sociology

University of California, Berkeley, Department of Sociology, 2004-2008

Courses: Research Methods, Race and Ethnic Inequality, Political Sociology, the Sociology of
Organizations, Principles of Sociology.

The Eagle Rock School, 2003-2004

Courses: American Government, History of the Drug War, and African Literature.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED WORKSHOPS (2020-2023)

Oceanic Impunity

Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (June 2, 2023)

Law Reviews

Suffolk Law Faculty Workshop, Suffolk Law (May 3, 2023)

Critical Race Theory in Legal Education

Diversity Week Faculty Panel, Suffolk Law (March 22, 2023)

Oceanic Impunity

Junior International Law Scholars Workshop, Boston University (January 13, 2023)

Dark Law and Oceanic Impunity

Global Criminal Justice Workshop, Boston College (May 13, 2022)

Dark Law in the South China Sea
University of Chicago Conference on Democracy and Entrenchment (March 4, 2022)

New Voices in Human Rights (Discussant)
American Association of Law Schools (AALS) (January 6, 2022)

Race, Criminalization, and Relationality
Boston Area Junior Faculty Workshop (December 3, 2021)

Autocratic Legalism, Judicial Deference, and National Security
Boston Areas Junior Faculty Roundtable (February 26, 2021)

New Voices in Human Rights
American Association of Law Schools (AALS) (January 8, 2021)

Constitutional Works-in-Progress Workshop
University College, Dublin (December 4, 2020)

Punishment, Criminal Justice and the Sociology of Law (organizer/moderator)
American Sociological Association Annual Meeting (August 9, 2020)

BAR ADMISSION

California (Inactive)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Law and Society Association (LSA)
American Sociological Association (ASA)
American Association of Law Schools (AALS)
Deep Ocean Stewardship Initiative (DOSI)

SELECTED GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

National Science Foundation, Grant Recipient (with Alexa Koenig and Eric Stover), 2015-2017
\$51,569 (Co-Principal Investigator)

MacArthur Foundation Award for Creative and Effective Institutions, 2015
\$1,000,000 (to Human Rights Center at Berkeley Law)

National Science Foundation, Grant Recipient (with Alexa Koenig and Eric Stover), 2014-2016
\$74,575 (Co-Principal Investigator)

Ministry of Finland Research Grant, 2014
\$82,315 (Principal Investigator)

Leo Lowenthal Dissertation Fellow, Department of Sociology, 2011-2012
University of California, Berkeley

Public Allies Fellow, 2004
The Eagle Rock School, Colorado