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EDUCATION

Harvard Law School, J.D.	2010
Yale College, B.A.	2007

RESEARCH

The Secret Stock Market (with Yifat Aran, Robert Bartlett & Brian Broughman) (work in progress)

De-Risking the Founder (with Yifat Aran, Robert Bartlett & Brian Broughman) (empirical work in progress)

Liability Crumple Zones (with Mark Geistfeld) (working paper)
Selected for the 2026 American Law & Economics Association Annual Meeting

Backroom Drivers, HARV. J.L. & TECH. (forthcoming 2026) (invited symposium essay)

Private Equity, Venture Capital & Antitrust, in RESEARCH HANDBOOK ON THE STRUCTURE OF PRIVATE EQUITY AND VENTURE CAPITAL (forthcoming 2026) (with Sam Weinstein)

Public, Private, Acquired, U. CHI. BUS. L. REV. (2026) (invited symposium essay) (with Alex Platt)
Selected for the 2026 American Law & Economics Association Annual Meeting

Regulating Robotaxis, 99 S. CAL. L. REV. 603 (2026) (with Bryant Walker Smith)
Selected for the 2025 American Law & Economics Association Annual Meeting

No Exit, 100 N.Y.U. L. REV. 1481 (2025) (with Brian Broughman & Sam Weinstein)
Voted one of the Top 10 Corporate and Securities Articles of 2025 in a poll of business law scholars by
CORPORATE PRACTICE COMMENTATOR
Selected for the 2025 ECGI Law and Finance of Private Equity and Venture Capital Conference

Coopting Disruption, 104 B.U. L. REV. 457 (2025) (with Mark Lemley)
Selected for the Penn Institute for Law & Economics Spring 2024 Corporate Roundtable
Selected for the 2024 ECGI Law and Finance of Private Equity and Venture Capital Conference
Selected for the 2024 American Law & Economics Association Annual Meeting

Regulating Driving Automation Safety, 73 EMORY L.J. 505 (2024)
Awarded Best Paper at the 2023 Emory Law AI Roundtable
Selected for the 2024 American Constitution Society Junior Scholars Public Law Workshop

Risk-Seeking Governance, 76 VAND. L. REV. 1299 (2023) (with Brian Broughman)
Selected for the 2023 American Law & Economics Association Annual Meeting
Republished in the CORPORATE PRACTICE COMMENTATOR

Venture Predation, 48 J. CORP. L. 813 (2023) (with Sam Weinstein)
Selected for the 2023 American Law & Economics Association Annual Meeting

Moonshots, 2022 COLUM. BUS. L. REV. 859 (2023)
Selected for the 2022 University of Michigan Junior Scholars Conference

Taming Unicorns, 97 IND. L.J. 1203 (2022)
Republished in the 2023 SECURITIES LAW REVIEW

The End of Accidents, 55 U.C. DAVIS L. REV. 269 (2021)
Selected for the 2021 Northwestern/Penn/Stanford Junior Faculty Forum on Law & STEM

Beach Money Exits, 45 J. CORP. L. 151 (2019)

Regulation of Emerging Risks, 69 VAND. L. REV. 401 (2016)

Virtuous Capture, 67 ADMIN. L. REV. 419 (2015)

Cost-Benefit Analysis as a Commitment Device, 87 TEMPLE L. REV. 447 (2015)
Awarded Honorable Mention, 2016 ENVIRONMENTAL LAW AND POLICY ANNUAL REVIEW

Scaled Punishments, 16 NEW CRIM. L. REV. 309 (2013) (peer-reviewed)

NON-ACADEMIC WRITING

A Different Robotaxi Future Is Possible, VITAL CITY, May 7, 2026 (with Bryant Walker Smith)

Big Tech Is Killing Innovation, N.Y. TIMES, June 13, 2024 (with Mark Lemley)

EXPERIENCE

Cardozo School of Law	
<i>Professor of Law</i>	2024-
<i>Associate Professor of Law</i>	2022-24
<i>Assistant Professor of Law</i>	2019-22
nuTonomy Inc.	
<i>General Counsel</i>	2016-19
Harvard Law School	
<i>Climenko Fellow and Lecturer on Law</i>	2013-16
Shapiro Arato Isserles LLP	
<i>Associate</i>	2012-13
US District Court for the Southern District of New York	
<i>Law Clerk to the Hon. Edgardo Ramos</i>	2012
US Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit	
<i>Law Clerk to the Hon. Scott Matheson, Jr.</i>	2011-12
Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University	
<i>Researcher</i>	2010-11