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EDUCATION

Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA 2013–2016
Juris Doctor

Honors *cum laude*
1000+ hours of pro bono service

California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA 2006–2010

Bachelor of Science in Social Sciences
Concentration in Cross-Cultural Studies and International Development

Honors *magna cum laude*
Award for Exceptional Achievement in Human Geography

BAR MEMBERSHIPS

California State Bar (Jan. 2017–present)

EXPERIENCE

Vermont Law & Graduate School, Center for Agriculture & Food Systems, South Royalton, VT

Director, Food & Agriculture Clinic Jul. 2024–present

Associate Professor of Law Jul. 2024–present

- Courses: Food & Agriculture Clinic Seminar, Farmworkers & the Law

Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA

Associate Director, Food Law & Policy Clinic Feb. 2023–Jun. 2024

Clinical Instructor, Food Law & Policy Clinic Aug. 2019–Jun. 2024

Lecturer on Law, Harvard Law School Jan. 2022–Jun. 2024

- Courses: Food Law & Policy Seminar, Food System Workers, Policy Advocacy Workshop

California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation, Sacramento, CA Sep. 2018–Aug. 2019

Attorney-Fellow, Labor & Civil Rights Litigation Unit, sponsored by Justice Catalyst

Litigation Intern Summer 2015

Honorable John A. Mendez, District Judge for the Eastern District of California, Sacramento, CA Sep. 2016–Aug. 2018

Senior Law Clerk, Law Clerk

San Francisco Public Defender's Office, San Francisco, CA Summer 2015

Intern

Lawyers Collective, Women's Rights Initiative, New Delhi, India Summer 2014

Intern

Office of U.S. Senator Barbara Boxer, Sacramento, CA Summer 2013

Intern

TestMasters, Rover—Nationwide Jun. 2011–Jun. 2013

LSAT Instructor & Private Tutor

ACLU of Maryland, Baltimore, MD Spring 2011

Intern, Fair Housing Project

Center for Vocational Building Technology, Ban Thin, Thailand Summer 2009

Intern

Various Food Service, California Aug. 2002–Jun. 2011

PUBLICATIONS

Reports & Briefs

- *Foreign Land Ownership*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (May 2024) (contributing author; editor).
- *Precarious Protection: Analyzing Compliance with Pesticide Regulations for Farmworker Safety*, CTR. FOR AGRIC. & FOOD SYSTEMS (Dec. 2023) (first author).
- *Equity in Agricultural Production & Governance*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Sep. 2022) (contributing author).
- *Conservation & Climate*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Aug. 2022) (shared first authorship).
- *Farm Viability*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Jul. 2022) (shared first authorship).
- *Food Access & Nutrition*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Jun. 2022) (shared first authorship).
- *Farmworkers*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Jun. 2022) (first author).
- *Food is Medicine Opportunities in Mississippi & the MS Delta*, HARVARD LAW SCHOOL FOOD LAW & POLICY CLINIC (Jan. 2022) (first author).
- *Supporting Civil Rights at USDA: Opportunities to Reform the USDA Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights*, HARVARD LAW SCHOOL FOOD LAW & POLICY CLINIC (Apr. 2021) (first author).
- *Mainstreaming Produce Prescriptions: A Policy Strategy Report*, CTR. FOR HEALTH LAW & POLICY INNOVATION (Mar. 2021) (shared first authorship).
- *Commodities Backgrounder*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Dec. 2020) (contributing author, editor).
- *Conservation Backgrounder*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Dec. 2020) (contributing author, editor).
- *Trade Backgrounder*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Dec. 2020) (contributing author, editor).
- *Nutrition Backgrounder*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Mar. 2023) (contributing author, editor).
- *Credit Backgrounder*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Dec. 2020) (contributing author, editor).
- *Rural Development Backgrounder*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Dec. 2020) (contributing author, editor).
- *Research & Extension Backgrounder*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Dec. 2020) (contributing author, editor).
- *Forestry Backgrounder*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Dec. 2020) (contributing author, editor).
- *Energy Backgrounder*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Dec. 2020) (contributing author, editor).
- *Horticulture Backgrounder*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Dec. 2020) (contributing author, editor).
- *Crop Insurance Backgrounder*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Dec. 2020) (contributing author, editor).
- *Miscellaneous Backgrounder*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Dec. 2020) (contributing author, editor).
- *Ethanol Policy Backgrounder*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Dec. 2020) (contributing author, editor).
- *Produce Prescriptions: A U.S. Policy Scan*, CTR. FOR HEALTH LAW & POLICY INNOVATION (Oct. 2020) (shared first authorship).
- *COVID-19 & the Farm Bill*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Aug. 2020) (supervising author, editor).
- *Federal Policies to Support the Food System & Consumers During COVID-19*, HARVARD LAW SCHOOL FOOD LAW & POLICY CLINIC (May. 2020) (contributing author).
- *COVID-19 Response: Delivering Food to Vulnerable Individuals in Mississippi*, HARVARD LAW SCHOOL FOOD LAW & POLICY CLINIC (Jul. 2020) (contributing author, editor).
- *COVID-19 Response: Resources for Small & Mid-Size Farms in Mississippi*, HARVARD LAW SCHOOL FOOD LAW & POLICY CLINIC (May. 2020) (contributing author, editor).
- *COVID-19 Response: Feeding Mississippi Children During School Closures*, HARVARD LAW SCHOOL FOOD LAW & POLICY CLINIC (Apr. 2020) (contributing author, editor).
- *Support for Local & Regional Food Systems in COVID-19*, HARVARD LAW SCHOOL FOOD LAW & POLICY CLINIC (Mar. 2020) (contributing author, editor).

Articles

- *Policy Pathways for Perennial Agriculture*, *Front. Sustain. Food Syst.* 6 – 2022 (first author), <https://doi.org/10.3389/fsufs.2022.983398>.

Public Comments

- *Comment re: Inclusive Competition and Market Integrity Under the Packers and Stockyards Act*, Dkt. No. AMS-FTPP-21-0045, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Jan. 2023).

- *Comment re: Stakeholder Listening Session Regarding Science Priorities*, National Institute of Food & Agriculture (Nov. 2022).
- *Comment re: Request for Public Input About Implementation of the Inflation Reduction Act Funding*, Dkt. No. NRCS-2022-0015, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Nov. 2022) (with fellow FBLE members).
- *Comment re: Assistance for Producers and Landowners Determined To Have Experienced Discrimination*, Dkt. No. USDA-2022-0015, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Nov. 2022) (with Fran Miller).
- *Comment re: Farm Labor Stabilization and Protection Pilot Program*, Docket No. FSA-2022-0013, HARVARD LAW SCHOOL FOOD LAW & POLICY CLINIC (Oct. 2022) (with the Coalition of Immokalee Workers).
- *Comment re: Supply Chains for the Production of Agricultural Commodities and Food Products*, Dkt. No. AMS-TM-21-0034, Agric. Mktg. Serv., FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Jun. 2021) (with fellow FBLE members).
- *Comment re: USDA Response to the Executive Order on Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad*, Dkt. No. USDA-2021-003, U.S. Dep't of Agric., FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Apr. 2021) (with fellow FBLE members).
- *Comment re: Update to the Regulations Implementing the Procedural Provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act*, RIN 0331-AA03, HARVARD LAW SCHOOL FOOD LAW & POLICY CLINIC (Mar. 2020).
- *Comment re: Proposed Rule: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program: Standardization of State Heating and Cooling Standard Utility Allowances*, RIN 0584-AE69, Food & Nutr. Serv., FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Dec. 2019) (contributor).
- *Recommendations to the House Select Committee on the Climate Crisis regarding Policies to Reduce Emissions & Maximize Carbon Storage in Agriculture, and to Help Farmers, Ranchers, & Natural Resource Managers Adapt to the Impacts of Climate Change*, FARM BILL LAW ENTERPRISE (Nov. 2019).
- *Comment re: Proposed Rule: Temporary Agricultural Employment of H-2A Nonimmigrants in the United States*, RIN 1205-AB89, Dep't of Labor, HARVARD LAW SCHOOL FOOD LAW & POLICY CLINIC (Sep. 2019).

Blog & Opinion

- *How the Senate Draft Stacks Up To FBLE's Recommendations*, FBLE BLOG (May. 2024).
- *Senate Passes Inflation Reduction Act: How It Impacts Agriculture*, FBLE BLOG (Aug. 2022).
- *Strengthening WIC to Improve Health: A prescription for change*, THE HILL (Jun. 23, 2021) (with Katie Garfield and Cissie Bonini).
- *The Executive Order on Meat & Poultry Processing is Not Quite What It Seemed—But It Still Fails Workers*, CHLPI BLOG (May 2020) (with Emily Broad Leib).
- *Protecting Essential Workers During COVID-19 & Beyond*, CHLPI BLOG (Apr. 2020).

SELECTED TALKS, LECTURES, & EVENTS

- Lecture, *Policy of Food Production: The U.S. Farm Bill*, in Food Justice and Community Development, Northeastern University (Aug. 2023, Aug. 2024).
- Talk, *Precarious Protection: Analyzing Compliance with Pesticide Regulations for Farmworker Safety*, Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting (Jul. 2024).
- Panelist, *Rural Sociology Beyond Academia: Public Scholarship for Students and Early-Career Professionals*, Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting (Jul. 2024).
- Lecture, *Ley Agrícola: Perspectiva Anglosajona de la Normativa en Alimentos y Agricultura*, Tribunales Agrarios (Aug. 2023).
- Panelist & Co-organizer, *Engaging with Law & Policy*, Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting (Aug. 2023).
- Lecture, *The Farm Bill – Policy Tools to Advance Equity*, Delta Scholars Program, Mississippi State University (Jun. 2021; Jun. 2022; Jun. 2023).
- Panelist & Co-organizer, *Hot Commodities—Why Food System Challenges Are Dominating Policy Discourse*, Harvard Law School Spring Reunion (Apr. 2023).
- Panelist, *Know Your Farm Bill*, New Directions in Environmental Law & Food Law Student Leadership Summit (Apr. 2023).
- Lecture, *Agriculture, Farm, & Food Policy*, in Food & the Global Environment, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health (Apr. 2021; Apr. 2022; Apr. 2023).
- Lecture, *Land Loss & Equity in U.S. Agriculture*, in Lawyering for Justice in the United States, Harvard Law School (Jan. 2022; Jan. 2023).

- Talk, *Introduction to the Farm Bill*, Food & Agriculture Regional Member (FARM) Policy Committee for the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (Dec. 2022).
- Panelist, *Fighting for One Fair Wage: A Conversation*, Labor & Worklife Program, Harvard Law School (Nov. 2021).
- Panelist, *Mainstreaming Produce Prescriptions: A Policy Strategy Report*, Dialogue4Health Web Forum (Mar. 2021).
- Panelist, *Multi-Stakeholder Advocacy: A Discussion of Strategy, Strengths, and Challenges*, Harvard Law School (Mar. 2021).
- Panelist, *Path Forward*, Virtual Conference on Heirs' Property & Sustainable Forest Management, University of Georgia (Feb. 2021).
- Lecture, *Agriculture, Farm, & Food Policy*, in *Food, Sustainability, & the Global Environment*, Harvard Extension School (Nov. 2020).
- Lecture, *Food Law & Policy*, in *Sociology of Food*, University of Mississippi (Oct. 2020).
- Lecture, *Policy Advocacy*, Delta Scholars Program, Mississippi State University (Jun. 2020).
- Panelist, *COVID-19 Response Work in the Food System*, Delta Regional Forum, Delta Directions Consortium (Jun. 2020).
- Lecture, *The Farm Bill*, in *Food Systems & Public Policy*, Northeastern University (Mar. 2020).

Events

- Co-organizer & Moderator, *Land Loss, Reparations, and Housing Policy Conference* (Mar. 23–24, 2023), with Boston College Law School's Initiative on Land, Housing & Property Rights.
- Co-organizer, *Justice for Black Farmers: The Law, Policy, and Politics of Debt Cancellation* (Nov. 30, 2021).
- Co-organizer & Participant, *Policy Pathways for Perennial Agriculture*, Exploratory Seminar, Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study (Dec. 2020).
- Co-organizer, *Agricultural Workers & the Pandemic: A Policy-Induced Crisis*, Harvard Law School (Oct. 2020).
- Co-organizer, *Land Loss, Wealth, & Reparations*, Harvard Law School (Oct. 2019).

TEACHING

- Adjunct Faculty, *Farmworkers and the Law* (Summer 2023, weekend intensive), Vermont Law & Graduate School.
- Lecturer, *Food Law & Policy Seminar* (Fall 2022 & 2023), Harvard Law School.
- Lecturer, *Food System Workers Reading Group* (Spring 2022 & 2023), Harvard Law School.
- Clinical Instructor, *Food Law & Policy Seminar* (Fall 2021; select classes only Fall 2019 & 2020, Spring 2020 & 2021), Harvard Law School.
- Clinical Instructor, *Policy Advocacy Workshop*, Harvard Law School (Spring 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023).
- Clinical Instructor, *Provisioning in the Pandemic: Food System Impacts of COVID-19*, 1L Reading Group, Harvard Law School (Fall 2020).

UNIVERSITY & PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Farmworkers Cohort Member, Cultivemos (Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network – Northeast) (Jul. 2022–present).
- Supervising Attorney, Harvard Law School Mississippi Delta Project (Aug. 2019– Jun. 2024).
- Member, Clinical Equity & Racial Justice Committee, Harvard Law School (Jun. 2020–Jun. 2024).
- Member, Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Committee, Center for Health Law & Policy Innovation (Jun. 2020– Jun. 2024).
- Member, Heirs' Property Steering Committee, Southern Rural Development Center (Feb. 2020–present).
- Co-lead, Heirs' Property Legal & Policy Group, Southern Rural Development Center (Feb. 2020–present).
- FLPC Representative, New England Food Processors Collective, Steering Committee (Nov. 2019– Jun. 2024).
- FLPC Representative, Boston Good Food Purchasing Coalition (Jan. 2021– Jun. 2024).
- Observer, Tenancy in Common Ownership Default Rules Study Committee (Jun.–Dec. 2020).
- Teaching Staff, Delta Scholars Summer Program, Mississippi State University (Jun. 2020, Jun. 2021, Jun. 2022, Jun. 2023).
- Selection Committee, Arthur Liman Public Interest Law Fellowship, Harvard University (2020).