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FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

MITCHELL HAMLINE SCHOOL OF LAW, St. Paul, MN
Assistant Professor of Law, July 2026-present
Teach Contracts, Business Organizations, and International Business Transactions and co-teach Transitional Justice in Kosovo and Beyond (Center for Law and Business study abroad course).

TULANE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, New Orleans, LA
Visiting Assistant Professor, July 2025-June 2026
Forrester Fellow, July 2023-June 2025
Teach foundational skills course Legal Research and Writing in the law school's first-year J.D. curriculum and contribute to its scholarly community, including through faculty workshops.

EDUCATION

EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE, Florence, Italy
PhD in Law, June 2025
Master in Comparative, European and International Laws (LL.M.), June 2020
Dissertation: White Shoes in Gray Areas: A Conceptual History of Regulatory Arbitrage
Journal: European Journal of Legal Studies, Executive Editor
Positions: Research Assistant to Professor David K. Levine
Researcher-led Seminar Instructor, "Commodification and the Law"

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, New York, NY
J.D., *cum laude*, May 2015
Honors: Robert McKay Scholar (top 25% of students after four semesters)
International Law and Human Rights Fellowship
Journal: NYU Journal of International Law & Politics, Senior Articles Editor
Positions: Research Assistant to Professor Richard B. Stewart

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, Philadelphia, PA
B.A. in Diplomatic History with minors in French and Music, *magna cum laude*, May 2011
Honors: Martin Wolfe Prize for outstanding research paper in world history
Dean's List 2010-11

PUBLICATIONS

The Offshore Origins of Regulatory Arbitrage, 17 WM. & MARY BUS. L. REV. 577 (2026), *available at* https://scholarship.law.wm.edu/wmblr/vol17/iss3/3/.

> Traces the origins of the term "regulatory arbitrage" in the nascent offshore economy and shows how technology and rhetoric brought calculating approaches from the periphery to the core of the compliance landscape, undermining collective risk management.

White Shoes in Gray Areas: A Conceptual History of Regulatory Arbitrage (Jun. 3, 2025) (Ph.D. dissertation, European University Institute), *available at* https://doi.org/10.2870/4396605.

> Connects the concept of regulatory arbitrage with the ascendancy of financialized business models across the contemporary economy, especially legal practice, and attributes the phenomenon to the predominance of instrumental perspectives on law.

"Not the Victory, But the Struggle": Controlling the Global Anti-Doping Infrastructure, *in* INTERNATIONAL ORDERING: EXPERIMENTS IN GLOBAL HYBRID AND PRIVATE GOVERNANCE (Benedict Kingsbury ed., forthcoming 2027).

> Argues that the nature and disposition of anti-doping infrastructure entrenched a system of private ordering that thwarted efforts to construct a global hybrid governance structure, but that technological innovations have opened avenues to bypass legacy infrastructure.

Ian J. Murray & Tommaso Fia, *Law, Commodification, and the Distribution of Resources*, 24 GLOBAL JURIST 221 (2024), *available at* https://doi.org/10.1515/gj-2024-0079.

> This article assesses the influence of law on investment in tangible and intangible assets and associated implications for distributional justice and the conservation of resources.

Facing the Fiction: Can the European Union Regulate Fictitious Commodities and Capital?, 2 EUR. L. OPEN 448 (2023), *available at* https://doi.org/10.1017/elo.2023.36.

> This article critiques efforts by the European Union to regulate private equity and securitization as privileging investor protection over competing stakeholder interests.

Tommaso Fia & Ian J. Murray, *Commodification and EU Law: A Genealogy*, 2 EUR. L. OPEN 372 (2023), *available at* https://doi.org/10.1017/elo.2023.42.

> This article analyzes the way European Union law expands the use of market structures to allocate goods and services and strives to mitigate associated social consequences.

EMMA CLIPPINGER, CHENG JEAN LIANG, IAN MURRAY, GRÁINNE DE BURCA & ANGELINA FISHER, ACCOUNTABILITY THROUGH CIVIC PARTICIPATION IN THE POST-2015 DEVELOPMENT AGENDA (2014), *available at* https://www.undp.org/publications/accountability-through-civic-participation-post-2015-development-agenda.

Book Note, 46 N.Y.U. J. INT'L L. & POL. 712 (2013) (reviewing BRAD R. ROTH, SOVEREIGN EQUALITY AND MORAL DISAGREEMENT: PREMISES OF A PLURALIST INTERNATIONAL LEGAL ORDER (2011)), *available at* https://nyujilp.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/06/46.2-Book-Annotations.pdf.

Seward's True Folly: American Diplomacy and Strategy During "Our Little War with the Heathens," Korea, 1871, 18(2) PENN HIST. REV. 43 (2011), *available at* https://repository.upenn.edu/handle/20.500.14332/42681.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Dodging to Develop in the US Virgin Islands.

> This draft article explores the role of economic development narratives in perpetuating colonial geographies, employing a case study of tax incentives in the US Virgin Islands.

Getting Around: Locating the Elusive "Global Law Firm" (selected for contribution to collected work edited by Nikolas M. Rajkovic).

> This chapter contextualizes the rise of "global law firms" since the 1990s as a historically contingent reaction to rapid technological developments in the late twentieth century.

PRESENTATIONS

Dodging to Develop in the US Virgin Islands
Presentation at the Summer Workshop Series, Tulane Law School (May 12, 2026).
Presentation at the Annual Meeting on Law and Society (June 3, 2023).

World Anti-Doping Agency & Athletics Integrity Unit, Presentation at International Ordering: Experiments in Global Hybrid and Private Governance, NYU Law School (Mar. 31, 2026).

White Shoes in Gray Areas: A Conceptual History of Regulatory Arbitrage
PhD Thesis Defense, European University Institute (June 3, 2025).
Presentation at the Annual Meeting on Law and Society (May 24, 2025).
Presentation at the ACP Scholarship Clinic, NYU Law School (Apr. 7, 2025).
Presentation at the Intellectual Life Lecture Series, Tulane Law School (Nov. 11, 2024).

Getting Around: Locating the Elusive "Global Lawyer," Presentation at What Is the Global? Reassembling Legal Authority in Space and Time, Stellenbosch Law School (June 21, 2024).

Commodification and the Law, European University Institute (Dec. 12-13, 2022) (co-organizer).

MEDIA APPEARANCES

Ian Murray on Regulatory Arbitrage, IPSE DIXIT (May 26, 2025), https://shows.acast.com/ipse-dixit/episodes/ian-murray-on-regulatory-arbitrage (guest).

Season 4 – Conference on Commodification and the Law, CONVERSATIONS ON NEW HISTORIES OF CAPITALISM (Dec. 19, 2024), https://sites.eui.eu/conversations-on-new-histories-of-capitalism/podcast (editor and co-host).

BAR ADMISSION

New York State (2017)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

COVINGTON & BURLING LLP, New York, NY
Associate (initially Law Clerk), October 2015-July 2019
Summer Associate, Summer 2014
Handled a wide range of corporate transactional matters, including mergers and acquisitions, fund formations and restructurings, secondary transactions, corporate reorganizations, and software and content licenses, with a focus on private equity. Devoted over 750 hours to pro bono matters, including research reports on topics like fiscal policy in developing countries.

UNITED NATIONS INTERNATIONAL LAW COMMISSION, Geneva, Switzerland
Legal Liaison to Commissioner Mahmoud Hmoud, Summer 2013
Analyzed most-favored-nation clauses in bilateral investment treaties. Prepared briefings on immunity of state officials and subsequent agreements and practice in treaty interpretation.

DAVIS POLK & WARDWELL, LLP, New York, NY
Legal Assistant, June 2011-June 2012
Assisted attorneys in all phases of litigation, including congressional securities fraud hearings and international trade disputes, as well as *pro bono* asylum applications and criminal appeals.

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

French (DALF C1 certified)
Italian (CILS B2 certified)