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APPOINTMENTS

Loyola University Chicago School of Law

Georgia Reithal Professor of Law	2018-present
Professor	2013-2018
Associate Professor	2009-2013
Assistant Professor	2005-2009

University of Chicago Law School

2003-2005

Bigelow Teaching Fellow & Lecturer in Law

EDUCATION

Yale Law School, J.D.	2001
Yale Law Journal, Senior Editor	

Harvard University, A.B. *magna cum laude* Bonaparte Prize for highest GPA in Government Department 1997

PUBLICATIONS

Books

HAPPINESS AND THE LAW (University of Chicago Press 2015) (with Christopher Buccafusco and Jonathan Masur)

WRITING A LEGAL MEMO (Foundation Press 2006)

Journal publications and book chapters

The Folk Theory of Well-Being, in OXFORD STUDIES IN EXPERIMENTAL PHILOSOPHY, VOLUME 5 (forthcoming 2024) (with Brian Leiter, Jonathan Masur, and Kevin Tobia)

Happiness and Economic Justice, 1 GNH AND THE LAW JOURNAL (2021)

Would Hamsterdam Work? Drug Depenalization in The Wire and in Real Life, 2018 U. CHICAGO LEGAL FORUM 43 (2019)

Analysing the Law's Effects on Human Well-Being: A Comparative Perspective, 13 JOURNAL OF COMPARATIVE LAW 2 (2018) (with Christopher Buccafusco and Jonathan Masur)

- Well-Being and Public Policy, in THE OXFORD HANDBOOK OF LAW AND ECONOMICS (2017) (with Christopher Buccafusco and Jonathan Masur)
- Preferring to Decrease One's Own Well-Being, 29 UTILITAS 52 (2017)
- Measuring and Improving the Effect of Higher Education on Subjective Well-Being, in Well-Being and Higher Education (2016)
- The Overlooked Benefits of the Blackstone Principle, 128 HARVARD L. REV. FORUM 289 (2015) (with Jonathan Masur)
- Well-Being Analysis vs. Cost-Benefit Analysis, 62 DUKE L.J. 1603 (2013) (with Christopher Buccafusco and Jonathan Masur)
- 52 AMERICAN JOURNAL OF LEGAL HISTORY 240 (2012) (solicited review of *Wholesale Justice* by Martin Redish)
- Retribution and the Experience of Punishment, 98 CALIFORNIA L. REV. 1463 (2010) (with Christopher Buccafusco and Jonathan Masur)
- Welfare as Happiness, 98 GEORGETOWN L.J. 1583 (2010) (with Christopher Buccafusco and Jonathan Masur)
- Happiness and Punishment, 76 U. CHICAGO L. REV. 1037 (2009) (with Christopher Buccafusco and Jonathan Masur)
- Some Thoughts About the Economics of Settlement, 78 FORDHAM L. REV. 1129 (2009) (symposium)
- Retribution's Role, 84 INDIANA L.J. 1129 (2009)
- Describing the Effect of Adaptation on Settlement, 109 COLUMBIA L. REV. SIDEBAR 21 (2009) (with Christopher Buccafusco and Jonathan Masur)
- Hedonic Adaptation and the Settlement of Civil Lawsuits, 108 COLUMBIA L. REV. 1516 (2008) (with Christopher Buccafusco and Jonathan Masur)
- ERISA, Agency Costs, and the Future of Healthcare in the United States, 76 FORDHAM L. REV. 2297 (2008) (with Brendan Maher and Peter Stris)
- Against Summary Judgment, 75 GEORGE WASHINGTON L. REV. 522 (2007)
- Class Action Settlements: An Opt-in Proposal, 2005 U. ILLINOIS L. REV. 903 (2005)
- The Class Action Rule, 78 NOTRE DAME L. REV. 1419 (2003) (with Owen Fiss)

PRESENTATIONS

Second Conference on Gross National Happiness and Law in Thimphu, Bhutan (via Zoom) (November 12, 2020). Presented *Happiness and Economic Justice*.

Black Women Lawyers' Association of Greater Chicago event at UIC-John Marshall Law School (September 23, 2019). Presented *Happiness and the Law*.

Law, Happiness, and the Other Conference in Venice, Italy (May 25, 2018). Presented *Analysing the Law's Effects on Human Well-Being*.

University of Chicago Legal Forum Annual Symposium, Law and Urban Institutions Ten Years After *The Wire*; Ethical and Legal Frontiers panel (November 3, 2017). Presented *Would Hamsterdam Work? Drug Depenalization in* The Wire *and in Real Life*.

Society for Affective Science Annual Conference in Boston; The Process and Practice of Affective Science panel (April 27, 2017). Presented *Happiness Data and Public Policy*.

Association of American Colleges and Universities Annual Meeting in Washington, DC; "Is well-being one of the 'greater purposes' of liberal education? Can its attainment be confirmed?" panel (January 21, 2016). Presented *Measuring and Improving the Effect of Higher Education on Subjective Well-Being*.

Yale Law School invited lecture in New Haven, Connecticut (November 9, 2015). Presented *Happiness* and the Law.

University of Chicago Booth School of Business invited lecture (October 10, 2015). Presented *Happiness* and the Law.

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference in Chicago; New Ways of Analyzing Policy panel (April 19, 2015). Presented *Well-Being and Public Policy*.

Seminary Co-op Book Launch Event in Chicago (February 26, 2015). Presented Happiness and the Law.

Constitutional Law Colloquium at Loyola University Chicago School of Law; Criminal Procedure panel (November 7, 2014) (panel moderator).

Constitutional Law Colloquium at Loyola University Chicago School of Law; National Security panel (November 7, 2014) (panel moderator).

Thomson Reuters webinar on Writing A Legal Memo (October 3, 2014).

Loyola University Chicago Law Journal Conference on Sentencing; Neuroscience and the Law panel (April 4, 2014) (panel moderator).

Constitutional Law Colloquium at Loyola University Chicago School of Law; Access to Justice panel (November 2, 2013) (panel moderator).

New Directions in Welfare: Economics for a Better World Conference in Paris, France (July 3, 2013). Presented *Well-Being Analysis vs. Cost-Benefit Analysis*.

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference in Chicago, Illinois; Theoretical Advances in the Study of Policy Processes panel (April 11, 2013). Presented *Well-Being Analysis vs. Cost-Benefit Analysis*.

Happiness and Administrative Law: Cost-Benefit Analysis vs. Well-Being Analysis Symposium at Duke Law School (February 15, 2013). Presented *Well-Being Analysis vs. Cost-Benefit Analysis*.

Loyola University Chicago workshop (November 8, 2012). Presented Well-Being Analysis vs. Cost-Benefit Analysis.

Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting in Amelia Island, Florida; How Should Punishment Institutions Address Vulnerability and Adaptation panel (August 3, 2012). Presented *Retribution and the Experience of Punishment*.

Law and Society Association Annual Meeting in Honolulu, Hawaii; Roundtable, Teaching Emerging Areas of the Law (June 8, 2012).

Law and Society Association Annual Meeting in Honolulu, Hawaii; Methodological Issues in Socio-Legal Research panel (June 7, 2012). Presented *Well-Being Analysis vs. Cost-Benefit Analysis*.

American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting at Stanford Law School; Administrative Law and Legislation panel (May 19, 2012). Presented *Well-Being Analysis vs. Cost-Benefit Analysis*.

Loyola University Chicago Law Journal Conference on The Future of Class Action and Its Alternatives (April 13, 2012) (panel moderator).

Illinois Attorney General's Office Program for Continuing Legal Education (February 23, 2012). Presented *Happiness and the Law*.

ORD Camp (Google-sponsored, invitation-only conference on innovation) at the University of Illinois at Chicago (January 20, 2012). Presented *Happiness and the Law*.

Law and Society Association Annual Meeting in San Francisco, California; Roundtable, Criminal Law and the Behavioral Sciences (June 2, 2011).

Happiness, Law, and Philosophy Conference at St. Louis University School of Law (May 13, 2011). Presented *Welfare as Happiness*.

Hate Speech, Incitement, and Genocide Conference at Loyola University Chicago School of Law; Developing the Structure of Genocide Law panel (April 8, 2011) (panel moderator).

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference in Chicago, Illinois; Knowledge, Well-Being, and Choice in Models of Policymaking panel (March 31, 2011). Presented *Well-Being Analysis vs. Cost-Benefit Analysis*.

Cardozo Law School workshop (March 7, 2011). Presented Happiness and Punishment.

How Democratic is the Constitution Conference at Loyola University Chicago School of Law; Legal History and Democracy panel (November 5, 2010) (panel moderator).

Society for Benefit-Cost Analysis Annual Conference in Washington, DC; Alternative Approaches panel (October 20, 2010). Presented *Well-Being Analysis vs. Cost-Benefit Analysis*.

Junior Criminal Law Professors Conference in Chicago, Illinois (July 24, 2010). Presented *Retribution and the Experience of Punishment*.

Canadian Law and Society Association Annual Meeting in Montreal, Canada; New Socio-Legal Research panel (June 2, 2010). Presented *Welfare as Happiness*.

Law and Society Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, Illinois; Roundtable, *Happiness Analysis vs. Cost-Benefit Analysis* (May 28, 2010).

American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting in Princeton, New Jersey; Well-Being, Happiness, and Economic Outcomes panel (May 8, 2010). Presented *Welfare as Happiness*.

Loyola University Chicago Law Journal Conference on Political Corruption (April 9, 2010) (panel moderator).

Tilburg Law and Economics Center Seminar Series in Tilburg, The Netherlands (December 11, 2009). Presented *Hedonic Adaptation and the Settlement of Civil Lawsuits*.

Deepening and Sustaining Democracy in Asia Conference in Paro, Bhutan (October 14, 2009). Presented *Happiness and Punishment*.

Junior Criminal Law Professors Conference, George Washington University Law School (July 20, 2009). Presented *Happiness and Punishment*.

Law and Society Association Annual Meeting in Denver, Colorado; Happiness and the Law panel (May 29, 2009). Presented *Well-Being Analysis*.

Law and Society Association Annual Meeting in Denver, Colorado; Punishment Theory panel (May 28, 2009). Presented *Happiness and Punishment*.

Symposium on *Against Settlement* After Twenty Years, Fordham Law School (April 3, 2009). Presented *Some Thoughts About the Economics of Settlement*.

AALS Annual Meeting in San Diego, The New Legal Realism panel (January 8, 2009). Presented *Happiness and Punishment*.

Junior Criminal Law Professors Conference, George Washington University Law School (August 8, 2008). Reviewed Adam Kolber's *The Comparative Nature of Punishment*.

Law & Society Association Annual Meeting in Montreal, Canada; Emerging Issues in Punishment and Sentencing panel (May 31, 2008). Presented *Retribution's Role*.

Chapman University School of Law workshop (February 21, 2008). Presented *Against Summary Judgment* and ideas for a follow-up paper.

Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law workshop (February 14, 2008). Presented *Retribution's Role*.

Faculty Exchange Workshop, Villanova University School of Law (February 1, 2008). Presented *Against Summary Judgment* and ideas for a follow-up paper.

Loyola University Chicago Law Journal Conference on Separation of Powers, Federalism Panel (March 23, 2007) (panel moderator).

Loyola University Chicago Workshop (March 20, 2007). Presented Against Summary Judgment.

University of Chicago Law School, Criminal Justice Roundtable (May 12-13, 2006) (panel moderator).

University of Chicago Law School, Works in Progress Series (August 2004). Presented *Class Action Settlements: An Opt-in Proposal.*

EXPERIENCE

Goldstein & Howe Washington, DC Associate	2002-2003
Chief Judge Douglas Ginsburg U.S. Court of Appeals, D.C. Circuit Law Clerk	2001-2002
Office of the Solicitor General U.S. Department of Justice Law Clerk	Summer 2001
Mayer, Brown & Platt Washington, DC	Summer 2000

Summer Associate