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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

Antonin Scalia Law School, George Mason University, Arlington, VA
Assistant Professor of Law, Aug. 2020 - present

New York University School of Law, New York, NY
Law and Economics Postdoctoral Fellow, Aug. 2018 - Aug. 2020

College of Law, Université de Paris II Panthéon-Assas, Paris
Visiting Professor and Scholar, Dec 2018, Nov 2019 and Jun 2025.

Yale-ESSEC-Paris II Summer School: Private Law and Contract Enforcement, Paris
Program Assistant, Summers 2015 - 2018

Department of Law and Environment, ESSEC Business School, Paris and Singapore
Paris Seine Excellence Initiative Researcher, Sep. 2017 - Aug. 2018

EDUCATION

Yale University, New Haven, CT

Ph.D. in Economics, Dec. 2018

- *Dissertation*: “Three Essays on the Law and Economics of Arbitration”
- Distinction in Oral Examination (Political Economy)
- Cowles Foundation Prize (for top students in the entering class)

Stanford Law School, Stanford, CA

J.D., Jun. 2014

- Pro Bono Distinction 2014
- John M. Olin Fellowship in Law and Economics, 2011-14
- Judge Ben C. Duniway Memorial Scholarship, 2011-12
- San Quentin Prison University Project: teacher and participant, 2013
- *Environmental Law Journal*, Member Editor, 2011-12
- Stanford International Law Society, Board Member, 2012-13

Princeton University

B.A. in Physics, *magna cum laude*, May 2007

- Phi Beta Kappa
- Allen G. Shenstone Prize for thesis: “designing a dark matter detector for the WARP project,” 2007
- Shapiro Prize for Academic Excellence (top 5% underclassmen), 2004 and 2005

PUBLICATIONS AND WORKS IN PROGRESS

Judicial Interest Rate: Strategic Considerations, __ AMERICAN LAW AND ECONOMICS REVIEW (forthcoming 2026) (with Nuno Garoupa)

Contagious Discrimination, __ NEW YORK UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW (ONLINE) (forthcoming 2026) (with Murat Mungan)

Risk, Return, and Restoration: A Fundamental Approach to Pre-judgment Interest, __ UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO BUSINESS LAW REVIEW (forthcoming 2026) (with Scott Vincent)

Inmate Assistance Programs: Toward a Less Punitive and More Effective Criminal Justice System, 75 ALABAMA LAW REVIEW 865 (2023) (with Erkmen Aslim and Murat Mungan)

Med-Arb and Arb-Med: A Law and Economic Analysis, 28 HARVARD NEGOTIATION LAW REVIEW 253 (2022)

Testing a Fine is a Price in the Lab, 63 INTERNATIONAL REVIEW OF LAW AND ECONOMICS 1 (2020) (with Lewis Kornhauser and Stephen Tontrup)

Why is Free Education So Popular? A Political Economy Explanation, 22 JOURNAL OF PUBLIC ECONOMIC THEORY 973 (2020) (with Juan A. Correa, Francisco Parro and Mauricio Villena)

Collective Redress in the Member States of the European Union (2018), report submitted to the European Parliament's Committee on Legal Affairs and published by the Policy Department for Citizens' Rights and Constitutional Affairs, European Parliament (contributing author).

[http://www.europarl.europa.eu/RegData/etudes/STUD/2018/608829/IPOL_STU\(2018\)608829_EN.pdf](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/RegData/etudes/STUD/2018/608829/IPOL_STU(2018)608829_EN.pdf)

From Courts to Arbitration: Arbitration's Confidentiality Advantage (submitted)

Mispriced Justice: Fixing Pre-Award Interest in International Arbitration (submitted) (with Scott Vincent)

Are Policymakers Too Worried About Crowding Out? Incentives, Self-Interest and Pro-Sociality in Mixed-Motive Behaviors (working paper) (with Lewis Kornhauser and Stephen Tontrup)

Searching for the Appropriate Judicial Interest Rate: Experimental Evidence (working paper) (with Nuno Garoupa)

Jury Instruction Complexity (working paper) (with Wei-Cheng Chen and Thomas Y. Lu)

An Experiment on Institutional Framing Effects of Taxes and Penalties (working paper) (with Lewis Kornhauser and Stephen Tontrup)

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

Summary: my papers were selected for presentation at the American Law and Economics Association Annual Conference in 2019, 2020, 2022, 2024 & 2025, the European Law and Economics Association Annual Conference in 2023, 2024 & 2025, and the Asian Law and Economics Association Annual Conference in 2022, 2023 (declined) and 2024.

Risk, Return and Restoration: a Fundamental Approach to Pre-judgment Interest (with Scott Vincent)

- Levy Workshop, Antonina Scalia Law School (Mar 2024)
- Asian Law and Economics Association Annual Conference, Tainan (Jul 2024)
- European Association of Law and Economics Annual Conference, Turin (Sep 2024)

Jury Instruction Complexity (with Wei-Cheng Chen and Thomas Y. Lu)

- Levy Workshop, Antonina Scalia Law School (Apr 2025)
- DC Law and Economics workshop, Georgetown University (May 2025)
- Academia Sinica, Taipei (Jul 2025)
- Empirical Law and Economics Workshop, Cornell Law School (scheduled for Oct 2025)

Judicial Interest Rate: Strategic Considerations (with Nuno Garoupa)

- Manne Faculty Forum, Law & Economics Center, Antonin Scalia Law School (Aug 2024)
- American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, NYU Law School (May 2025) (presented by my coauthor Nuno Garoupa)
- 11th International Conference on Law and Economics (“Law and Economics in the New Era”), China University of Political Science and Law, Beijing (Jul 2025)
- ICES Seminar in Experimental Economics and Game Theory, Interdisciplinary Center for Economic Science, George Mason University (Jan 2025) (presented by my coauthor Nuno Garoupa)

Understanding Crowding-Out (with Lewis Kornhauser and Stephen Tontrup)

- Manne Faculty Forum, Law & Economics Center, Antonin Scalia Law School (Aug 2023)
- Latin American Workshop in Law and Economics, Brasilia (Nov 2023)
- Asian Law and Economics Association Annual Conference, Tainan (Jul 2024)
- ICES Seminar in Experimental Economics and Game Theory, Interdisciplinary Center for Economic Science, George Mason University (Aug 2024)
- American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, University of Michigan Law School (Aug 2024)

Contagious Discrimination

- Manne Faculty Forum, Law & Economics Center, Antonin Scalia Law School (Aug 2022)
- Southern Economic Association Meetings (Nov 2024)
- American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, NYU Law School (May 2025)
- HEC-Paris II Law and Economics Conference, Paris (May 2025)
- European Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, Oslo (scheduled for Sep 2025)
- Canadian Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, University of Toronto (scheduled for Oct 2025)

Inmate Assistance Programs: Toward a Less Punitive and More Effective Criminal Justice System

- American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, Columbia Law School, August 2022
- Levy Workshop, Antonin Scalia Law School (May 2022)
- Paper presentation by coauthor at Harvard Law School, Stanford Law School, and Washington University School of Law (2022-23)

From Courts to Arbitration: Arbitration's Confidentiality Advantage

- Asian Law and Economics Association Annual Conference, Seoul National University, Seoul (Oct 2022)
- European Law and Economics Association Annual Conference, Berlin (Oct 2023)
- Faculty Workshop, Antonin Scalia Law School (Sep 2021)

From Arbitration to Hybrid Mechanisms: Arb-Med and Med-Arb as Arbitral Innovations

- American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, NYU School of Law (May 2019)
- Law and Economics Workshop, NYU School of Law (Mar 2019)

Testing a Fine is a Price in the Lab (with Lewis Kornhauser and Stephen Tontrup)

- American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, University of Chicago (online) (Nov 2020)
- Law and Economics Workshop, NYU School of Law (Feb 2020)
- Center for Law and Economics, University of Paris II Panthéon-Assas, Paris (Dec 2019)
- Fourth Annual Penn-NYU Empirical Contracts Workshop, University of Pennsylvania School of Law (May 2019)
- Program on Empirical Legal Studies Conference, Claremont McKenna College (April 2019) (invited)

An Experiment on Institutional Framing Effects of Taxes and Penalties (with Lewis Kornhauser and Stephen Tontrup)

- Manne Faculty Forum, Law & Economics Center, Antonin Scalia Law School (Aug 2020)

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Primary: Alternative Dispute Resolution, Contracts, Contract Theory, Law and Economics, Behavioral and Experimental Law and Economics

Secondary: Comparative Law, Criminal Law, Scholarly Writing, Torts

EXPERIENCE

Ministry of Finance, Republic of Chile, Santiago, Chile

Legal Intern, Prácticas para Chile, Jun 2013 - Aug 2013

Development and Partnership in Action, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Legal Intern, Jun 2012 - Jul 2012

MEMBERSHIPS & PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Area Organization, European Law and Economics Association 2022, 2025
Ad Hoc Reviewer, Games and Economic Behavior 2024-present
Ad Hoc Reviewer, International Review of Law and Economics 2021-present
Ad Hoc Reviewer, Supreme Court Economic Review 2020
Member, American Law and Economics Association
Member, European Law and Economics Association
Member, Latin American Workshop in Law and Economics
Member, Asian Law and Economics Association

LANGUAGES

Arabic (advanced MSA, intermediate Levantine), Chinese (native; classical reading ability; *Wu*),
French (superior), Japanese (superior), Korean (elementary), Spanish (advanced),
Tibetan (intermediate *Tsang*).