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EDUCATION	<b>University of California, San Diego</b> , California Ph.D., Science Studies and History of Science, 2018 (expected) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dissertation: “<i>What will become of the domestic hearth??: Impacts of Technology on the Development of Privacy Law in the United States, ca. 1792-1972</i>”</li> <li>• Advisor: Professor Tal Golan</li> </ul> M.A., Science Studies and History of Science, 2013 <b>University of California, Hastings College of the Law</b> , San Francisco, California J.D., 2009 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Law Review: <i>Hastings Constitutional Law Quarterly</i></li> </ul> <b>University of Washington</b> , Seattle, Washington B.A., Comparative History of Ideas, 1998 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Honors Thesis: “<i>But that Speaking Makes it So?: The Role of Narrative in the Formation of Community</i>”</li> </ul> B.A., Comparative Literature and Spanish, 1998	
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<b>San Diego Mesa College</b> , California <i>Adjunct Instructor</i> <span style="float: right;"><b>2016–present</b></span> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• United States History From Colonial Times to Reconstruction.</li> <li>• United States History After the Civil War.</li> </ul> <b>University of San Diego</b> , California <i>Adjunct Instructor</i> <span style="float: right;"><b>2016–2018</b></span> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Liberty in American Law (introduction to legal history).</li> <li>• Introduction to the History of Science.</li> </ul> <b>University of California, San Diego</b> , California <i>Associate-In (Instructor)</i> <span style="float: right;"><b>2015–2017</b></span> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Division of Arts and Humanities, Department of History.</li> <li>• American Legal History After the Civil War.</li> </ul> <b>University of California, San Diego</b> , California <i>Teaching Assistant</i> <span style="float: right;"><b>2010–2018</b></span> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Scientific Revolution (History of Science).</li> <li>• The Emergence of Modern Science (History of Science).</li> <li>• Science, Technology, and Law (History of Science).</li> <li>• Contemporary Legal Issues (Law &amp; Society).</li> <li>• Communications and the Law (Communications).</li> <li>• Mexican-American History.</li> <li>• East Asian History.</li> <li>• United States History.</li> <li>• Making of the Modern World (Eleanor Roosevelt College Writing Program).</li> </ul>	

*Grader***2009–2010**

- The Atomic Bomb and the Atomic Age (History of Science).
- International Law—War Crimes and Genocide (History).

**University of Washington**, Seattle, Washington*Undergraduate/Peer Teaching Assistant***1996-1997**

- The Question of Human Nature (Comparative History of Ideas).
- “Sex and Gender” Focus Group (Comparative History of Ideas).
- Freshman/First-Year Interest Group (General Studies).

JOURNAL  
PUBLICATIONS

Kristopher Nelson, “The Impact of Government-Mandated Public Access to Biomedical Research: An Analysis of the New NIH Depository Requirements,” *Alb. LJ Sci. & Tech.* 19 (2009): 421.

Robin Feldman and Kris Nelson, “Open Source, Open Access, and Open Transfer: Market Approaches to Research Bottlenecks,” *Nw. J. Tech. & Intell. Prop.* 7 (2008): 14.

Kristopher A. Nelson, “Transnational Wiretaps and the Fourth Amendment,” *Hastings Const. LQ* 36 (2008): 329.

CONFERENCE &  
COLLOQUIUM  
TALKS

“Reform & Resistance: Protecting the Private by Policing the Public (1860s-1960s),” *Science Studies Colloquium Series*, University of California, San Diego, 2017.

“Why Tort? Another Look at Warren & Brandeis and Privacy,” *History Collective*, University of California, San Diego, 2015.

“From Tort as an Assault on the Privileged to Tort as Protector of the Privileged,” *Possessive Investments: Systems of Power, Possibilities of Dissent*, University of California, Los Angeles, 2015.

## GUEST LECTURES

“History of Disability Law” for a freshman seminar.

“Privacy (Apple versus the FBI)” for a contemporary legal issues class.

“Administrative Law: Sexual Assault on Campus” for a contemporary legal issues class.

“Introduction to Law and Science” for a class on science, technology, and law.

“Privacy and the Internet” for a contemporary legal issues class and a class on science, technology, and law.

“Privacy (4th Amendment and contraception)” for for a contemporary legal issues class.

“Religion (1st Amendment)” for a contemporary legal issues class.

“Intellectual Property” for a contemporary legal issues class.

“Revolution and the Constitution” for a class on communications and the law.

## WORKING PAPERS

“Embracing the Opposition: The Conservative Appropriation of Liberal Critiques,” 2013.

“With a Pox to You: The Slow Defeat of Anti-Vaccinators Before 1950,” 2010.

“Markers of Trust: How Pro- and Anti-vaccination Web Sites Make Their Case,” 2010.

“Lessons from Smallpox Vaccination”, 2010.

“Constructing a Useful Theory of Knowledge,” 2009.

“A Pretext for Writing: Prologues, Epilogues, and the Notion of Paratext,” 1998.

RESEARCH  
EXPERIENCE**University of Washington School of Law**, Seattle, Washington*Research Assistant for Robert Gomulkiewicz* **2009**

- History of intellectual property licensing.

**Center for Work/Life Law**, San Francisco, California*Research Assistant for Joan Williams* **2007–2008****Law and Bioscience Project**, San Francisco, California*Project Fellow* **2007–2008****Center for Democracy & Technology**, San Francisco, California*Research Assistant for James Dempsey* **2008****Amistad Research Center**, New Orleans, Louisiana*Archival Assistant* **2004–2005**ACADEMIC  
SERVICE**Committee Service**

- Judicial Board and Community Standards Board, 2011–2017.
- Sexual Violence and Sexual Harassment Policy Group, 2016–2017.
- Student Representative for External Review of Science Studies, 2016.
- History Department Undergraduate Mentor, 2014–2017.
- Graduate Student Association Diversity Committee, 2014–2015.
- Committee on Inclusion and Disability, 2010–2015.
- Committee on Library and Scholarly Communications (University of California system), 2012–2013.
- Library Committee, 2010–2013.
- Student Representative at History Department faculty meetings, 2012–2013.
- History of Science Field Group Representative to History Collective/Guild, 2012–2013.
- Graduate Housing Committee, 2011–2012.
- Student Conduct Code Workgroup, 2010–2011.
- Executive Committee Legislative Liaison (to Sacramento and D.C.), Graduate Student Association, 2010–2011.
- Student Representative for External Review of History Department, 2010.
- Graduate Association Student Representative for Science Studies, 2009–2010.

**Editorial Service**

- Peer Reviewer, *Technology and Culture*, Society for the History of Technology, 2014.
- Online Editor, *Hastings Constitutional Law Quarterly*, 2008–2009.
- Editor, *Hastings Constitutional Law Quarterly*, 2007–2008.
- Editor, *interSections* (Comparative History of Ideas undergraduate journal at the University of Washington), 1998.

PROFESSIONAL  
EXPERIENCE**TRE Legal Practice**, San Francisco & San Diego, California*Legal Analyst* **2016–present**

- Legal research, writing, and analysis in the area of civil rights and disability discrimination.
- Paralegal and process support for firm's attorneys.
- Data and statistical analysis in support of litigation and settlement monitoring.

**KNK Advising**, San Diego, California*Law & Technology Consultant***2011–2018**

- Web development, copy editing, legal research and writing.

**Legal Aid Society-Employment Law Center**, San Francisco, California*Law Clerk for Claudia Center***2008**

- Researched and wrote memos, subpoenas, complaints. Reviewed documents. Assisted with depositions. Conducted client interviews.

**1st District Court of Appeal**, San Francisco, California*Judicial Extern for Justice James Lambden***2008**

- Researched and wrote draft judicial opinions under the supervision of an appellate justice and his staff.

**Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center**, Seattle, Washington*Systems Analyst/Manager***1999–2009**

- Managed staff and projects, created new software, wrote documentation, developed IT systems, and advised staff for this cancer research center.

**University of Washington**, Seattle, Washington*Senior Computer Specialist***1998–1999**

- Supported clients, tracked bugs, and documented the PINE email system.

SELECTED  
AWARDS**University of California, San Diego**

- Fletcher Jones Foundation Dissertation Writing Fellowship, 2015–2016.
- “Student of the Year” for service on conduct boards, 2015.
- Science Studies Dissertation Writing Fellowship, 2015.
- VISU Tuition/Travel Scholarship (Univ. of Vienna/Vienna Circle), 2011.

**University of California, Hastings College of the Law**

- Law Review Editor (Hastings Constitutional Law Quarterly), 2007–2009.
- Best Oral Argument (Honorable Mention), 2008.
- Blum Foundation Scholar, 2006–2009.

ADDITIONAL  
EDUCATION

- Vienna International Summer University, Univ. of Vienna, Austria, Summer 2011.
- Visiting student at the University of Washington School of Law, 2008–2009.
- International Law and Professional Ethics, Univ. of Hawaii at Manoa, Summer 2007.
- Visiting Student (due to Hurricane Katrina) at University of Texas at Austin School of Law, Autumn 2005.
- Tulane University Law School (shortened by Hurricane Katrina), Autumn 2005.
- French language study at the Université de Toulouse, France, Autumn 1997.
- Facultad de Traducción e Interpretación, Universidad de Granada, Spain, 1996–1997.

SECOND  
LANGUAGES

	<b>Understanding</b>	<b>Speaking</b>	<b>Writing</b>
<b>Spanish</b>	Proficient	Proficient	Independent
<b>French</b>	Proficient	Independent	Independent