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Academic Experience

Brooklyn Law School, Brooklyn, NY

Assistant Professor of Law, 2024 – present.

Adjunct Professor of Law, 2024.

Courses: Community Development & Movement Infrastructure Clinic; Property.

Fordham University School of Law, New York, NY

Adjunct Professor of Law, 2023.

Courses: Community & Economic Development Clinic.

Maurice A. Deane School of Law, Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY

Clinical Professor of Law, 2020 – 2022.

Associate Clinical Professor of Law, 2014 – 2020.

Visiting Assistant Clinical Professor of Law, 2011 – 2014.

Courses: Community & Economic Development Clinic; Disaster Recovery Clinic;
Entrepreneurship & Intellectual Property Clinical Practicum; Foundational Lawyering Skills.

Service: *Chair*, Learning Outcomes and Assessments Working Group; *Secretary-Treasurer*,
Community Legal Assistance Corporation (Hofstra Law Clinic); *Secretary-Treasurer*, Hofstra Law
Access to Justice Incubator; *Advisory Board*, Hofstra Center for Civic Engagement; Curriculum
Committee.

City University of New York School of Law, Queens, NY

Adjunct Instructor, 2010.

Courses: Community & Economic Development Clinic.

Practice Experience

**Brooklyn Legal Services Corp. A (“Brooklyn A”), Community & Economic Development Program,
Brooklyn, NY**

Director, 2022 – 2024.

Rejoined Brooklyn A’s CED Program to give it direction and oversight as it grew into one of the
largest pro bono transactional legal programs in the U.S. Expanded the CED Program to 25 staff
and managed a budget of over \$5 million and a docket of 600 cases per year. Trained and
supervised staff and developed new practices supporting social movement groups and cooperatives.

Senior Staff Attorney, 2008 – 2011.

Equal Justice Works Fellow/Staff Attorney, 2005 – 2007.

Represented non-profit developers in affordable housing transactions and community-based non-
profit organizations in formation, tax and lobbying compliance, and mergers and acquisitions.
Joined Brooklyn A through an Equal Justice Works fellowship sponsored by Greenberg Traurig
LLP.

Education

Fordham University School of Law, New York, NY, J.D., 2005.

Archibald R. Murray Public Service Award; *The Common Good*, Editor; *Fordham International Law Journal*, Associate Editor; Stein Scholars Program in Public Interest Law and Ethics.

Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, M.A., Literary and Cultural Studies, 1997.

Adamson Award for Academic Excellence. Instructor, English Department, 1997-1999.

New College of Florida, Sarasota, FL, B.A., British and American Literature, 1996.

Scholarly Publications

Transactional Clinical Support for Mutual Aid Groups: Toward a Theory of Transactional Movement Lawyering, 68 WASH. U. J. L. & POL'Y 215 (2022).

COVID-19 Mutual Aid, Anti-Authoritarian Activism, and the Law, 67 LOY. L. REV. 61 (2020).

Skills Pedagogy and Legal Ethics in a Law School Disaster Recovery Clinic, in MEETING THE LEGAL NEEDS OF DISASTER SURVIVORS: THIRD RESPONDERS (David H. K. Nguyen ed., 2020) (with C. Benjie Louis).

The New Activist Non-Profits: Four Models Breaking from the Non-Profit Industrial Complex, 73 U. MIAMI L. REV. 863 (2019).

Lawyer for a Coalition of Organizations with an Informal Leader, 47 HOFSTRA L. REV. 61 (2018) (with Scott L. Cummings).

Transactional Clinics as Change Agents in the Trump Era: Lessons from Two Contexts, 26 J. AFFORDABLE HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEV. L. 335 (2017) (with Priya Baskaran).

CED After #OWS: From Community Economic Development to Anti-Authoritarian Community Counter-Institutions, 43 FORDHAM URB. L. J. 295 (2016). *Excerpted in* JULIET BRODIE ET AL., POVERTY LAW, POLICY, AND PRACTICE 743 (2d ed. 2020).

Legal Guides

Community Fridges: Legal Questions and Answers, <https://t.co/TXcIaIFALd> (2022) (with Harvard Law School Food Law and Policy Clinic, Sustainable Economies Law Center, and UCLA Law School Food Law and Policy Clinic).

Legal Issues in Mutual Aid Operations: A Preliminary Guide, HOFSTRA UNIV. LEGAL STUD. RES. PAPER NO. 2020-06, https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3622736 (2020). *Republished by* Mutual Aid Disaster Relief, <https://mutualaiddisasterrelief.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/SSRN-id3622736.pdf> (2020).

Law Blog

Handling Money and Taxes blog, BIG DOOR BRIGADE, <https://bigdoorbrigade.com/author/mikehaber/> (2021-22).

Selected Presentations

Panelist, *Communities Take Control – Upending the Non-Profit Status Quo*, CLE, New York City Bar Association Nonprofit Organizations Committee, Hot Topics in Not-for-Profit Law, November 2022.

Panelist, *Movement Lawyers and Economic Justice*, Law and Political Economy Society, Columbia Law School, November 2022.

Concluding Remarks, *Mutual Aid and Survival*, Symbiosis Network Regional Gathering on Autonomy and Survival, May 2022.

Sociocracy in Non-Profit and Co-Op Corporate Governance, CLE, Cooperative Professionals Guild, December 2021.

Panelist, *Educating Law Students to Service*, Building and Bridging Our Future Together: Hofstra University and Our Communities, Hofstra Presidential Inauguration Forum, September 2021.

Panelist, *Community Economic Development and Racial Justice*, New York State Permanent Commission on Access to Justice Law School Conference, Columbia Law School, June 2021.

Teach In: Money-Handling and Taxes for Mutual Aid Groups, Barnard Center for Research on Women, February 2021.

Panelist, *Mutual Aid in a Time of Crisis and Beyond*, University of Michigan Law School, October 2020.

Podcast Interview, *Michael Haber Discusses the New Legal Guide for Groups Doing Mutual Aid*, Mutual Aid on Lockdown, September 2020.

Non-Profit Law and Sociocratic Governance, Global Online Sociocracy Conference, May 2020.

The New Activist Non-Profits, ClassCrits XII, Western New England University School of Law, November 2019.

Alternatives to Hierarchy: Exploring Shared Leadership in the Workplace, The Good Work Institute, Kingston, NY, July 2019.

The New Activist Non-Profits, Our Economy!: Economic Democracy and System Change Conference, City University of New York, School of Labor and Urban Studies, April 2019.

Participatory Budgeting in NYC: Participatory Democracy or Politics as Usual?, Tennessee Journal of Race, Gender & Social Justice Symposium, University of Tennessee College of Law, October 2018.

Panelist, *Economic Justice*, Practicing Public Interest Law in the South Conference, Vanderbilt Law School, October 2018.

Panelist, *Best Practices in Community Economic Development*, New York State Bar Association Partnership Conference, Albany, NY, October 2018.

Facilitator, CED Working Group, Association of American Law Schools Clinical Conference, April-May 2018.

Innovations in CED Clinics for Social Justice, Transactional Clinical Conference, Chicago-Kent College of Law, April 2018.

Panelist, *Legal Ethics and Movement Lawyering Roundtable*, Maurice A. Deane School of Law, Hofstra University, April 2018.

Community Land Trusts on Long Island, CLE, Urban Justice Center, June 2017.

Transactional Clinics as Change Agents in the Trump Era, Transactional Clinical Conference, Drexel Law School, June 2017.

Counter-Institutions and the Law, All Power to the Imagination! Conference, New College of Florida, April 2017.

Guest Lecture, *Community Economic Development and Social Justice*, Stetson Law School Seminar on Social Justice Lawyering, February 2017.

The Pedagogy of Coalition Work in a Transactional Clinic, Southern Clinical Conference, Charlotte Law School, October 2016.

Old Money in the Next System: Transforming Private Foundations, Democracy Collaborative Teach-In, City University of New York, March 2016.

CED After #OWS: Community-Institution Building in the Age of Anti-Authoritarian Activism, ClassCrits VIII, University of Tennessee College of Law, October 2015.

Transactional Lawyers Telling (Science Fiction) Stories, Transactional Clinical Conference, University of Missouri-Kansas City Law School, April 2015.

Teaching Transactional Skills in a Disaster Recovery Clinic, Teaching Transactional Law and Skills Conference, Emory Law School, June 2014.

Community Economic Development Clinical Pedagogy for the New Democratic Economy, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, May 2014.

Legal Rights of Renters after Sandy, New York State Hurricane Sandy Disaster Case Management Program, Long Island Housing Forum, April 2014.

Law and Regulation in the Wake of Natural Disasters: Environmental, Land Use, Reconstruction, and Takings Issues in a Rapidly Changing Physical World, CLE, American Bar Association, March 2014.

What Legislators Need to Know to Help Their Constituents: Latest Information and Resources on Sandy Recovery for Legislators and Their Staff, Nassau County Bar Association, Presentation to Local Elected Officials, January 2014.

Conference Introduction, Nassau County Building Inspectors Conference on Sandy Issues, Maurice A. Deane School of Law, Hofstra University, November 2013.

Panelist, *Getting to the "C" Word: Capitalism and Its Alternatives in Client Selection and Classroom Discussion in a Transactional Clinic*, Transactional Clinical Conference, University of Texas at Austin Law School, April 2013.

The Regulation of Not-for-Profit Corporations, CLE, Nassau County Bar Association, March 2013.

The Partnership Structure in Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Projects: What Tenants' Lawyers Need to Know. CLE, District Council 37 (AFSCME) Municipal Employees Legal Services, June 2012.

Community and Economic Development, Legal Services NYC New Advocates Training, January 2011.

Construction Contracts; Commercial Leases. Guest lecture, CUNY Law CED Clinic, November 2010.

Construction Contracts; Commercial Leases. Guest lecture, CUNY Law CED Clinic, September 2009.

Construction Contracts; Commercial Leases. Guest lecture, CUNY CED Clinic, September 2008.

Incorporating Green Building in Affordable Housing Development. Legal Services NYC Practice Forum, October 2007.

Grant Awards

New York City Department of Small Business Services, 2023.

Hofstra Summer Research Grants, 2015, 2017, 2019, 2020, 2021.

New York State, Governor's Office of Storm Recovery, 2013.

Robin Hood Foundation, 2013.

Long Island Community Foundation, 2013.

Equal Justice Works Fellowship, 2005.

Selected Community and Professional Activities

Mutual Aid Disaster Relief, Rapid Response Network, Legal Advisory Group, 2022 – present.

Board of Directors, Long Island Progressive Coalition, 2018 – 2023.

Law for Black Lives Clinical Cohort, 2018 – 2020.

Co-Founder and Member, Old Money, New System Community of Practice, 2016 – 2018.

ABA Business Law Section, Committee on Community Economic Development, 2014 – 2017.

Co-Founder and Co-Facilitator, NYC Community Economic Development Network, 2006 – 2011.

Bar Admissions

New York.