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### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

#### THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

##### Dickinson Law

<i>Assistant Professor</i>	2017 – Present
<i>Director, Medical-Legal Partnership Clinic</i>	2015 – Present
<i>Clinical Professor</i>	2015 – 2017

##### College of Medicine

<i>Assistant Professor, Department of Public Health Sciences</i>	2019 – Present
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Courses: Medical-Legal Partnership Clinic; Advanced Clinic; Public Health Law; Law and Medicine

Honors: Penn State Dickinson Law Faculty Member of the Year (2020)  
Atlantic Fellow for Health Equity, George Washington University Health Workforce Institute (2020)  
American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics and Saint Louis University Center for Health Law Studies – Health Law Scholar (2017)

### EDUCATION

#### YALE LAW SCHOOL, J.D., 2008

Honors: Yale Law School Public Interest Fellowship  
Mary A. McCarthy Fellowship in Public Interest Law  
Initiative for Public Interest Law at Yale Grant

Activities: *The Yale Law Journal*, Senior Editor  
*Yale Journal of Health Policy, Law & Ethics*, Articles Editor  
Immigration Legal Services Clinic (Student Director)

#### BROWN UNIVERSITY, A.B., *magna cum laude*, Human Biology (Honors) and Middle East Studies, 2005

Honors: Phi Beta Kappa  
Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Society

Activities: Study Abroad at the American University in Cairo, Egypt, Spring 2004  
Teacher of English for Speakers of Other Languages

### ARTICLES & ESSAYS

*Laboratories of Exclusion: Medicaid, Federalism, and Immigrants*, 95 N.Y.U. L. REV. (forthcoming 2020).

*Immigrants and Interdependence: How the COVID-19 Pandemic Exposes the Folly of the New Public Charge Rule*, 115 NW. U. L. REV. ONLINE (forthcoming 2020) (with Jasmine Sandhu).

*The Ethics of DNA Testing at the Border*, 46 AM. J.L. & MED. 253 (2020) (peer-reviewed).

*Destigmatizing Disability in the Law of Immigration Admissions*, in *DISABILITY, HEALTH, LAW, AND BIOETHICS* 187 (I. Glenn Cohen, Carmel Shachar, Anita Silvers, Michael Ashley Stein eds., 2020).

*The Public Charge Rule as Public Health Policy*, 16 *IND. HEALTH L. REV.* 177 (2019) (invited symposium contribution).

- Cited in Brief of Amici Curiae Asian Americans Advancing Justice et al. in Support of Plaintiffs-Appellees at 9, *San Francisco v. U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Serv.*, No. 19-17213 (9th Cir. 2020).
- Cited in Brief of Amici Curiae Asian Americans Advancing Justice et al. in Support of Plaintiffs-Appellees at 9-10, *California v. U.S. Dept. of Homeland Security*, No. 19-17214 (9th Cir. 2020)
- Cited in Memorandum of Law in Support of Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction at 8, *Make the Road New York et al. v. Cuccinelli*, No. 1:19-cv-07993-GBD (S.D.N.Y. 2019).
- Cited in Memorandum of Law of Amici Curiae Asian Americans Advancing Justice et al. in Support of Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction at 4, *New York v. U.S. Dept. of Homeland Security*, No. 1:19-cv-07777-GBD (S.D.N.Y. 2019).

*Health Justice for Immigrants*, 4 *U. PA. J.L. & PUB. AFF.* 235 (2019).

- Selected by ImmigrationProf Blog as Immigration Article of the Day (Jan. 31, 2019), <https://perma.cc/EQS9-K2ZH>.

*Theorizing the Immigrant Child: The Case of Married Minors*, 82 *BROOK. L. REV.* 1603 (2017).

## **SHORTER WORKS**

*Addressing Racism through Medical-Legal Partnerships*, *BILL OF HEALTH* (Sept. 24, 2020) (invited symposium contribution), <https://blog.petrieflom.law.harvard.edu/2020/09/24/addressing-racism-medical-legal-partnerships/>.

## **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

“Health Care Sanctuaries”

“Centering Critical Perspectives in Medical-Legal Partnerships”

“Integrating Sociolegal Needs Screening with Health Care in Contact Tracing”

## **SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS**

*Integrating Sociolegal Needs Screening with Health Care in Contact Tracing and Beyond*

- 2021 AALS Annual Meeting, Section on Law, Medicine, and Health Care, Selected Presenter (scheduled).

*Health Care Sanctuaries*

- 2021 Network for Public Health Law & American Society for Law, Medicine & Ethics, Public Health Law Conference, Selected Presenter, Baltimore, MD (scheduled).
- 2020 *Annals of Health Law & Life Sciences* Annual Symposium on Health Care and Policy: Viewing Health Justice Through the Lens of Public Health Crises, Selected Presenter, Beazley Institute of Health Law and Policy, Loyola University Chicago School of Law (scheduled).

- 2020 *Clinical Law Review* Writers' Workshop, NYU School of Law.

*Centering Critical Perspectives in Medical-Legal Partnerships*

- 2020 Health Justice: Engaging Critical Perspectives in Health Law and Policy, Selected Presenter, American University Washington College of Law and ChangeLab Solutions, LLC.

*Immigrants and Interdependence: How the COVID-19 Pandemic Exposes the Folly of the New Public Charge Rule*

- 2020 Mini-Conference on Coronavirus and Law, University of Oklahoma School of Law

*The Ethics of DNA Testing at the Border*

- 2021 Penn State's Dickinson Law, Penn State Institute for Computational and Data Sciences & Monash University, Workshop: Privacy, Technology & Vulnerability, Selected Presenter, Prato, Italy (scheduled).
- 2020 *American Journal of Law & Medicine* Symposium: Emerging Issues in Bioethics, Selected Presenter, Boston University School of Law, Boston, MA.

*Laboratories of Exclusion: Medicaid, Federalism, and Immigrants*

- 2020 AALS Virtual Poverty Law Workshop, Invited Presenter
- 2019 Junior Faculty Workshop, Invited Presenter, University of Maryland, Francis King Carey School of Law, Baltimore, MD.
- 2019 *Clinical Law Review* Writers' Workshop, NYU School of Law, New York, NY.
- 2019 American Society for Law, Medicine & Ethics, Health Law Professors Conference, Selected Presenter, Chicago, IL.
- 2019 Junior Faculty Forum, Richmond School of Law, Richmond, VA.

*Immigration Status as a Social Determinant of Health*

- 2019 *Creighton Law Review* Symposium: Inequities and Injustice in Health Care, Invited Presenter, Creighton University School of Law, Omaha, NE.

*The Public Charge Rule as Public Health Policy*

- 2019 Network for Public Health Law's Eastern Region Conference, Invited Presenter, Baltimore, MD.
- 2018 *Indiana Health Law Review* Symposium: The Intersection of Immigration Law and Health Policy, Invited Presenter, Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, Indianapolis, IN.

*Destigmatizing Disability in the Law of Immigration Admissions*

- 2018 American Society for Law, Medicine & Ethics, Health Law Professors Conference, Cleveland, OH.
- 2018 Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bioethics Annual Conference, Selected Presenter, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA.
- 2018 AALS Clinical Legal Education Conference, Works-in-Progress Session, Chicago, IL.

*Health Justice for Immigrants*

- 2017 Health Law Scholars Workshop, hosted by the American Society for Law, Medicine & Ethics and Saint Louis University Center for Health Law Studies, Selected Presenter, St. Louis, MO.

- 2017 *Clinical Law Review* Writers' Workshop, NYU School of Law, New York, NY.
- 2017 American Society for Law, Medicine & Ethics, Health Law Professors Conference, Invited Panelist, Atlanta, GA.
- 2017 AALS Clinical Legal Education Conference, Works-in-Progress Session, Denver, CO.
- 2017 AALS Annual Meeting, Sections on Disability Law; Insurance Law; Law, Medicine, and Health Care; and Minority Groups Joint Program, Selected Panelist, San Francisco, CA.

*Theorizing the Immigrant Child: The Case of Married Minors*

- 2016 Immigration Law Teachers Workshop, Works-in-Progress Session, East Lansing, MI.
- 2016 AALS Clinical Legal Education Conference, Works-in-Progress Session, Baltimore, MD.
- 2016 Mid-Atlantic People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, American University Washington College of Law, Washington, DC.

**OTHER PRESENTATIONS**

“COVID-19 Law and Policy Briefings: Immigration,” Public Health Law Watch, Invited Guest (with Wendy E. Parmet and Nicolas Terry), April 28, 2020, available at <https://perma.cc/6DG3-JQEP>.

“Breaking out of Silos: Bridging Disciplines to Create the Next Generation of Collaborators for Justice,” AALS Annual Conference, Panelist, New Orleans, LA, Jan. 4, 2019.

“Health Law Profs on Immigration Getting Coffee,” The Week in Health Law Podcast, Invited Guest (with Brietta Clark and Y.Y. Brandon Chen), October 26, 2018, <https://perma.cc/Q8WD-SW6W>.

“Immigrant Eligibility for Public Benefits: What Every Advocate Should Know,” PA Legal Aid Network 2018 Statewide Conference, CLE Co-Presenter, Harrisburg, PA, September 29, 2018.

“Training Medical Residents on Legal Issues Impacting Their Patients,” Annual Meeting of The Society of Neurological Surgeons, Invited CME Presenter, Hershey, PA, May 22, 2018.

“Immigrants & Public Benefits: Hot Topics,” PA Legal Aid Network, Webinar Co-Presenter, April 11, 2018.

Numerous trainings for physicians, residents, and medical students on medical-legal partnerships and legal issues impacting low-income patients at Penn State Hershey Medical Center, Hershey, PA.

“The Role of Medical-Legal Partnerships in Transforming Health Care,” Greater Pittsburgh Dickinson Law Alumni Association Kickoff, Invited CLE Presenter, Pittsburgh, PA, April 27, 2017.

“Medical-Legal Partnerships and Communities,” Medical-Legal Partnership Symposium: Building an Academic Agenda to Enhance Practice, Invited Panelist, Yale Law School, New Haven, CT, March 3, 2017.

“Health Disparities and Law,” Cumberland County Bar Association, Invited CLE Presenter, Carlisle, PA, December 9, 2016.

“Medical-Legal Partnership Clinics: Building Community through Concepts of Care,” American Society for Law, Medicine & Ethics, Health Law Professors Conference, Panelist, Boston, MA, June 4, 2016.

“Medical-Legal Partnerships and Other Innovations in Public Health,” Penn State Public Health Day Symposium, Invited Panelist, Summerdale, PA, May 9, 2016.

“Exploring Community Engagement Opportunities through an Interdisciplinary Partnership Lens” AALS Clinical Legal Education Conference, Panelist, Baltimore, MD, May 2, 2016.

“Legal Careers in Health Law,” Yale Law School, Invited Panelist, New Haven, CT, April 20, 2016.

“Graduate School Clinics as Innovators and Capacity Builders,” Medical-Legal Partnership Summit (a national conference on integrating health and legal care for vulnerable people), Panelist, Indianapolis, IN, April 8, 2016.

“Improving Patient Care in a Community Health Center through Attorney-Community Health Worker Collaboration,” Medical-Legal Partnership Summit, Panelist, McLean, VA, April 9, 2015.

“Measuring the Health Impact of Medical-Legal Interventions on Low-Income Patients,” Community Engagement and Research Symposium, UMass Center for Clinical and Translational Science, Lead Author of Research Poster, Worcester, MA, Nov. 7, 2014.

“Revisiting the Social History: Teaching Providers about Socio-Economic Drivers of Health,” MA Medical-Legal Partnership Conference, Panelist, Boston, MA, Oct. 28, 2014.

“Innovative Strategies in Legal Aid to Address Unmet Legal Needs,” MA Legal Services Conference, Panelist, Boston, MA, May 12, 2014.

“Addressing the Legal Needs of Refugees Served by a Medical-Legal Partnership,” Medical-Legal Partnership Summit, Lead Author of Research Poster, Seattle, WA, April 11, 2014.

“Addressing Health Disparities in Limited English Proficient Communities through Language Access,” Building Bridges through Language Access Advocacy and Collaboration (MA Legal Services Conference), Panelist, Worcester, MA, April 4, 2014.

“Medical-Legal Partnerships and Affordable Care Act Implementation,” MA Medical-Legal Partnership Conference, Panelist, Boston, MA, Oct. 28, 2013.

## **MEDIA APPEARANCES**

Web Article Interview, Amanda Michelle Gomez, *California Becomes First State to Give Young Undocumented Adults Health Care. But is that Enough?*, THINKPROGRESS, July 10, 2019, <https://perma.cc/TKZ4-DVML>.

Web Article Interview, David M. Perry, *Why Expanding Health-Care Access Must Include Immigrants*, PACIFIC STANDARD, Mar. 1, 2019, <https://perma.cc/EY97-6342>.

## **LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

**CENTRAL WEST JUSTICE CENTER**, Worcester, MA  
**COMMUNITY LEGAL AID**, Worcester, MA

January 2014 (date of formation) – June 2015  
June 2013 – December 2013

*Staff Attorney.* Directed the day-to-day operations of the organization's medical-legal partnerships with area community health centers and hospitals.

- Provided holistic legal services to address the underlying social and environmental causes of poor health in low-income communities. Areas of practice included healthcare and other public benefits, fair housing rights, homelessness prevention, immigration, education, and family law.
- Trained medical providers and community advocates on the laws and programs that safeguard health and welfare.
- Advocated for laws and policies that promote the health of vulnerable populations.

**ROPES & GRAY LLP, Boston, MA**

2010 - 2013

*Associate.* Diverse practice focused on complex business litigation. Researched and wrote legal memoranda, pleadings, motion papers, and briefs. Participated in all stages of discovery, including reviewing documents, preparing expert reports, managing expert discovery, and preparing materials and witnesses for depositions.

*Pro Bono Practice*

- Served as the Immigration Team Leader for the firm's medical-legal partnership.
- Supervised and advised associates and law students in immigration matters, including asylum, VAWA, and family-based petitions; student visa extensions; adjustments of status; and naturalizations. Interviewed potential clients and identified legal issues relating to housing, education, income supports, family, and immigration.
- Represented a young mother in a damages suit against a public housing authority for failure to remedy unsafe and unsanitary conditions that contributed to her son's health problems; and in a housing discrimination case before a state civil rights agency.
- Represented an Egyptian survivor of domestic violence in a cross-border child abduction case. Helped to locate her children and estranged husband in the Boston area, obtain an abuse prevention order, and ultimately obtain sole custody.
- Successfully represented applicants for asylum, Special Immigrant Visas, persecution-based J Visa Waivers, and Special Immigrant Juvenile Status.

**ASYLUM ACCESS ECUADOR, Quito, Ecuador**

2009 - 2010

*Legal Advocate.* Represented more than 50 asylum applicants in Ecuador.

- Interviewed potential clients. Prepared clients for interviews before the General Directorate for Refugees. Drafted appeals. Filed family reunification petitions.
- Advocated on behalf of clients in matters of employment, education, and public safety.
- Conducted outreach to the Cuban and Haitian immigrant communities in Quito.
- Organized a conference for Colombian refugee women who had survived sexual violence.

**POLITICAL ASYLUM/IMMIGRATION REPRESENTATION PROJECT, Boston, MA**

2008 - 2009

*Yale Public Interest Fellow.* Represented non-citizens in Immigration Court and before U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, with a focus on gender-based asylum claims. Won all cases.

- Representative clients include individuals seeking asylum on the basis of sexual orientation; crime victims applying for U Visas; and survivors of domestic violence seeking protection under VAWA.
- Conducted biweekly "Know Your Rights" presentations for immigration detainees and provided individual consultations in detention centers.
- Supervised law student interns with asylum cases and during detention center visits.

## **ACADEMIC SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES**

- Penn State’s Dickinson Law Faculty Committees
  - Appointments Committee, 2016-18 and 2019-present (Chair, 2019-present)
  - Faculty Rights and Responsibilities Committee, 2019-20
  - Law Review Committee, 2016-present (Chair, 2018-19)
  - Admissions Committee, 2015-19
  - Dean Search Committee, 2018-19
  - Honor Code Committee, 2018-19
- Member, Dickinson Law’s Law and Healthcare Trusted Advisors, 2015-present
- Member, Penn State University Public Health Program Community Advisory Board, 2017-present
- Director, Joint Degree Programs in Law and Public Health at Dickinson Law and Penn State College of Medicine, 2017-present
- Faculty Advisor, Health Law and Policy Society (student group), 2017-present
- Faculty Advisor, Health Law & Policy Certificate, 2018-present
- Faculty Advisor, *Dickinson Law Review*, 2020-present
- Co-Director, Treating Medical Errors: A Medical-Legal Colloquium, 2016-17

### **SELECTED PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- Peer Reviewer
  - *American Journal of Law & Medicine*
  - *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*
- Member, American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics, 2015-present
- Member, Clinical Legal Education Association, 2015-present

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

- Member, Community Policy & Engagement Committee, Partnership for Better Health, 2020-present
- Member, COVID-19 Health Equity Task Force, Office of Health Equity, Pennsylvania Department of Health, 2020-present
- Member, South Central Pennsylvania Contact Tracing Consortium, 2020-present
- Board Member, Humanitarian Immigration Law Clinic, Compass Immigration Legal Services, 2020-present

### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

Massachusetts (2008); New York (2009); U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado (2012); Pennsylvania (2015).

### **LANGUAGES**

- Spanish – highly proficient in reading, writing, and speaking
- Arabic – conversational, basic reading ability
- Hindi-Urdu – conversational, basic reading ability
- Kannada – conversational