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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

Dickinson Law

<i>Professor (with tenure)</i>	2023 – Present
<i>Elsie de R. and Samuel P. Orlando Distinguished Professor</i>	2022 – Present
<i>Associate Professor</i>	2022 – 2023
<i>Assistant Professor</i>	2017 – 2022
<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: Public Health Law; Law and Medicine; Health Justice Seminar; Medical-Legal Partnership Clinic; Advanced Clinic

Honors: Penn State Dickinson Law Phillip M. Scott Teaching Excellence Award (2024)
Penn State Dickinson Law Faculty of the Year (2020)
Atlantic Fellow for Health Equity, Milken Institute School of Public Health, George Washington University (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

PUBLICATIONS

Law Journals

[*Beyond Medical Tourism: Pressured Exits and Global Health Justice*](#), 98 TUL. L. REV. ONLINE 1 (2024).

- Solicited response to Jayesh Rathod, *Pressured Exit*, 98 TUL. L. REV. 805 (2024).

[*Charity Care for All: State Efforts to Ensure Equitable Access to Financial Assistance for Noncitizen Patients*](#), 23 HOUSTON J. HEALTH L. & POL'Y 55 (2024) (symposium issue: States as Health Policy Laboratories).

[*INTRODUCTION: Medical-Legal Partnerships: Equity, Evolution, and Evaluation*](#), 51 J.L. MED. & ETHICS 732 (2023) (with Katherine K. Kraschel, James Bhandary-Alexander, Yael Z. Cannon, Vicki W. Girard, Abbe R. Gluck, and Jennifer L. Huer).

[*Interagency Dynamics in Matters of Health and Immigration*](#), 103 B.U. L. REV. 1095 (2023).

- Cited in Proposed Interventors' Memorandum of Law in Support of Their Motion to Intervene as Defendants at 5, *Kansas et al. v. United States of America et al.*, No. 1:24-cv-00150-DMT-CRH (D.N.D.).

[*Stemming the Shadow Pandemic: Integrating Sociolegal Services in Contact Tracing and Beyond*](#), 50 J.L. MED. & ETHICS 719 (2023) (peer-reviewed) (special issue: Health Justice: Engaging Critical Perspectives in Health Law and Policy).

[*Immigration Reforms as Health Policy*](#), 15 ST. LOUIS U. J. HEALTH L. & POL'Y 275 (2022) (with Patrick J. Glen) (special issue: Health Care after the 2020 Election).

[*Towards Racial Justice: The Role of Medical-Legal Partnerships*](#), 50 J.L. MED. & ETHICS 117 (2022) (peer-reviewed) (special issue: Health Law and Anti-Racism).

[*Setting the Health Justice Agenda: Addressing Health Inequity and Injustice in the Post-Pandemic Clinic*](#), 28 CLINICAL L. REV. 45 (2021) (with Emily A. Benfer, James Bhandary-Alexander, Yael Cannon, and Tomar Pierson-Brown) (symposium issue: 2020 Hindsight: The Pandemic, Protests, and Political Perils).

[*Health Care Sanctuaries*](#), 20 YALE J. HEALTH POL'Y, L. & ETHICS 1 (2021) (peer-reviewed).

- Cited in Amici Curiae Brief of AANHPI, Black, and Immigrant Women's Organizations in Support of Petitioners at 30, *FDA v. Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine*, 602 U.S. __ (2024) (No. 23-235).
- Cited in Congressional Research Service, [Noncitizens' Access to Health Care](#) (CRS Report No. R47351), (Nov. 14, 2024).
- Reviewed in [The Regulatory Review](#) (June 6, 2022).
- Featured in [Legal Theory Blog](#) (Nov. 15, 2021).

[*A Pathway to Health Care Citizenship for DACA Beneficiaries*](#), 12 CALIF. L. REV. ONLINE 29 (2021) (with Patrick J. Glen).

- Selected by [ImmigrationProf Blog](#) as Immigration Article of the Day (Nov. 13, 2021).

[*Laboratories of Exclusion: Medicaid, Federalism, and Immigrants*](#), 95 N.Y.U. L. REV. 1680 (2020).

- Cited in Brief of Amici Curiae Immigration Law Professors in Support of Appellees' Petition for Rehearing En Banc at 14, John Doe #1 et al. v. Donald Trump et al., No. 19-36020 (9th Cir. 2021).
- Reviewed in Jessica Lind Mantel, [*Federalism and Health Care: Lessons from State Policies on Immigrants' Eligibility for Medicaid*](#), JOTWELL (Nov. 18, 2020).
- Selected by [ImmigrationProf Blog](#) as Immigration Article of the Day (May 27, 2020).

[*Immigrants and Interdependence: How the COVID-19 Pandemic Exposes the Folly of the New Public Charge Rule*](#), 115 NW. U. L. REV. ONLINE 146 (2020) (with Jasmine Sandhu).

[*The Ethics of DNA Testing at the Border*](#), 46 AM. J.L. & MED. 253 (2020) (peer-reviewed) (symposium issue: Emerging Issues in Bioethics).

- Featured in [HealthLawProf Blog](#) (Sept. 26, 2020).

[*The Public Charge Rule as Public Health Policy*](#), 16 IND. HEALTH L. REV. 177 (2019) (symposium issue: The Intersection of Immigration and Health Policy).

- 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).

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

- Cited in THE OXFORD HANDBOOK OF CHILDREN'S RIGHTS LAW (Jonathan Todres & Shani M. King eds., 2020).

Medical and Public Health Journals

[*Can Medical-Legal Partnerships Do More to Advance Reproductive Justice After Dobbs?*](#), 26 AMA J. ETHICS E655 (2024) (with Natasha Rappazzo).

[*Uninsured Immigrants in the United States Significantly Delayed the Initiation of Prenatal Care After the Changes to the Public Charge Rule*](#), 225 PUB. HEALTH 1 (2023) (with Sung W. Choi, Edeanya Agbese, Gunah Kim, and Douglas Leslie).

[*Expanding Access to Health Care for DACA Recipients*](#), 389 NEW ENG. J. MED. 387 (2023) (with Jin K. Park and Rachel Fabi).

[State Flexibility in Emergency Medicaid to Care for Uninsured Noncitizens](#), 4 JAMA HEALTH F. e231997 (2023) (with Jin K. Park and Clarisa Reyes-Becerra).

[Highlighting State Innovation to Close Coverage Gaps for Perinatal Care for Noncitizens](#), 330 JAMA 215 (2023) (with Jin K. Park and Clarisa Reyes-Becerra).

Book Chapters

Reflective Practice for Antiracist Teaching and Learning, in ANTIRACIST TEACHING AND LEARNING ___ (forthcoming 2024) (with Lucy Johnston-Walsh).

[Gendered Effects of U.S. Pandemic Border Policy on Migrants from Central America](#), in ROUTLEDGE GENDER COMPANION TO GENDER AND COVID-19 247 (Linda C. McClain & Aziza Ahmed eds., 2024).

[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).

- Selected by ImmigrationProf Blog as Immigration Article of the Day (May 19, 2020).

OP-EDS AND WRITING FOR PUBLIC AUDIENCES

[Regulating Skin Lightening Products: A Case Study of Structural Forces Shaping Inequities in Health](#), JOTWELL (August 16, 2024) (reviewing Colleen Campbell, *Intersectionality Matters in Food and Drug Law*, 95 UNIV. COLO. L. REV. 1 (2024)).

[Addressing the Harms of Bureaucratization in the Public Home Care System](#), JOTWELL (Sept. 15, 2023) (reviewing Yiran Zhang, *The Care Bureaucracy*, 99 INDIANA L.J. 1241 (2024)).

[Opinion: Faster is Not Always Better: We Must Reform the Asylum Process the Right Way](#), PENNLIVE (Dec. 9, 2022) (with Dr. Zeina Saliba).

[Paid Sick Leave and Health Justice](#), JOTWELL (Nov. 11, 2022) (reviewing Shefali Milczarek-Desai, *Opening the Pandemic Portal to Re-Imagine Paid Sick Leave for Immigrant Workers*, 111 CALIF. L. REV. 1171 (2023)).

[Opinion: Biden Must Stop Using “Public Health” Excuse To Immediately Expel Migrants](#), HOUSTON CHRON. (Mar. 20, 2022) (with Dr. Sarah Battistich).

[Compounding Vulnerability: Hospital Emergency Rooms as Sites of Race- and Class-Based Police Surveillance](#), JOTWELL (Nov. 10, 2021) (reviewing Ji Seon Song, *Policing the Emergency Room*, 134 HARV. L. REV. 2646 (2021)).

[Health Justice for Immigrants Revisited](#), BILL OF HEALTH (Sept. 17, 2021) (digital symposium: Health Justice).

[An Equitable Distribution of COVID-19 Vaccine Must Include Noncitizens](#), THE HILL (Jan. 26, 2021) (with Raúl M. Grijalva, Dr. Megan L. Srinivas, and Dr. Gilberto Lopez).

[Addressing Racism through Medical-Legal Partnerships](#), BILL OF HEALTH (Sept. 24, 2020) (digital symposium: Understanding the Role of Race in Health).

- Reprinted in CLEA NEWSLETTER (Clinical Legal Educ. Ass'n, Pa.), Apr. 27, 2021, at 13.

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

Health Justice for Migrants: The Role of Law

- 2025 Health Law and Policy Workshop, UCLA Law (scheduled).
- 2024 American Society for Law, Medicine & Ethics (ASLME), Health Law Professors Conference, Temple University Beasley School of Law, Philadelphia, PA.

The Legal Construction of Health Emergencies

- 2024 AALS Annual Meeting, Section on Poverty Law, Selected Presenter, Washington, D.C.
- 2023 American Society for Law, Medicine & Ethics (ASLME), Health Law Professors Conference, University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law, Baltimore, MD.

Charity Care for All: State Efforts to Ensure Equitable Access to Financial Assistance for Noncitizen Patients

- 2023 Migration and Diversity Initiative Paper Workshop, Penn State.
- 2022 *Houston Journal of Health Law & Policy* Symposium, Invited Presenter, University of Houston Law Center.

Gendered Effects of U.S. Pandemic Border Policy on Migrants from Central America

- 2022 Migration and Diversity Initiative Paper Workshop, Penn State.
- 2022 Gender and COVID-19 Handbook Workshop, UC Irvine Law.

Towards Racial Justice: The Role of Medical-Legal Partnerships

- 2022 *Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics* Symposium, Invited Presenter, University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2021 AALS Virtual Poverty Law Workshop, Selected Presenter.

Interagency Dynamics in Matters of Health and Immigration

- 2022 AALS Virtual Health Law Workshop.
- 2022 Health Law Beyond Health Law Workshop, Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Bioethics, and Biotechnology, Harvard Law School.
- 2021 *Clinical Law Review* Writers' Workshop, NYU School of Law.

Stemming the Shadow Pandemic: Integrating Sociolegal Needs Screening with Health Care in Contact Tracing and Beyond

- 2022 *Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics* Symposium, Invited Presenter, UCLA Law, Los Angeles, California.
- 2021 AALS Annual Meeting, Section on Law, Medicine, and Health Care, Selected Presenter.

Health Care Sanctuaries

- 2021 Network for Public Health Law & American Society for Law, Medicine & Ethics, Public Health Law Conference, Selected Presenter, Baltimore, MD.
- 2021 Privacy Law Scholars Conference, Selected Presenter.
- 2020 AALS Virtual Health Law Workshop.

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

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

- 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 ASLME, 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 SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

“Lessons from Reproductive Justice: What the Movement Can Teach Other Doctrines, from the Nascent to the Stagnant,” 2025 Annual Meeting, Invited Panelist, (Jan. 10, 2025).

“Supporting the Student Scholar,” 2025 AALS Annual Meeting, Selected Panelist (Jan. 10, 2025).

“The Law and Policy of Immigrant Access to Health Care,” Health Law Class, University of Michigan Law School, Invited Speaker, Oct. 8, 2024.

“The Impact of *SFFA* on the Health of Traditionally Marginalized Populations,” The Future of Health Equity after the End of Affirmative Action, 2024 Annual Health Law Conference, Center for Health Policy and Law, Northeastern University School of Law, Invited Panelist, Apr. 12, 2024.

“Immigrants and Public Benefits: Eligibility, Advocacy, and Partnering with Legal Services,” Social Work Education Series, Penn State College of Medicine, Invited Speaker, Mar. 26, 2024.

“The End of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency: Lessons Learned and the Future of Pandemic Law & Policy,” 2024 AALS Annual Meeting, Panel Organizer and Moderator, Jan. 5, 2024.

“Testimony on Ending Medical Deportations (Bill No. 230649),” Committee on Public Health and Human Services, Council of the City of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA, Nov. 21, 2023.

“Immigrant Access to Public Benefits,” Public Health Law Seminar, Boston University School of Public Health, Invited Guest, Nov. 1, 2023.

“The Role of MLP in Advancing Racial Justice,” Medical-Legal Partnerships: Equity, Evaluation, and Evolution, Yale Law School, Panel Organizer and Moderator, Mar. 3, 2023.

“Public Health is Universal: Building Better Engagement via Scholarship & Curriculum,” ASLME Health Law Professors Conference, Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law, Arizona State University, Invited Panelist, June 3, 2022.

“Lessons for Clinicians from *The Art of Gathering* and Beyond,” AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Panel Organizer, May 12, 2022.

“[Mind the Gap: Immigration Policies Can Harm Health Outcomes in the USA](#),” Jaharis Podcast on Health and Intellectual Property, Mary and Michael Jaharis Health Law Institute, DePaul College of Law, Invited Guest, May 9, 2022.

[“Immigration and Health Justice,”](#) *Georgetown Immigration Law Journal* Scholar Series, Invited Panelist, Mar. 21, 2022.

“Immigration and Disability Law,” Getting Radical in the South Conference, University of Texas School of Law, Invited Moderator, Feb. 15, 2022.

“Medical-Legal Partnerships: Taking Interprofessional Advocacy to the Next Level,” Summit on Health Justice, Penn State College of Medicine, Dec. 10, 2021.

“Immigrant Access to Health Care,” Penn Law American Constitution Society, Invited Speaker, Dec. 1, 2021.

“Appointments Committee Workshop,” American Association of Law Schools, Invited Panelist, Aug. 5, 2021.

“Health Equity for Children and Youth Post-COVID,” ASLME Health Law Professors Conference, Northeastern University School of Law, Panelist, June 9, 2021.

“Jay Healey Teaching Session: Radical Humanity, Vulnerability, and Community in Law Teaching and Learning,” ASLME Health Law Professors Conference, Northeastern University School of Law, Invited Panelist, June 7, 2021.

[“The Law and Policy of Immigrant Access to Health Care,”](#) Hall Center Virtual Grand Rounds, Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, Invited Speaker, Apr. 16, 2021.

“Medicaid, Federalism, and Immigrants,” Law and Inequality Class, University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School, Invited Guest, Apr. 15, 2021.

“The Public Charge Law and the Pandemic,” Public Health Law Class, Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, Invited Guest, Mar. 29, 2021.

“Immigrant Health: Policy and Health Services,” Migration and Health Class, Arizona State University School of Transborder Studies, Invited Guest, March 25, 2021.

“Immigrant Access to Health Coverage: Law and Policy,” The Division of Health Services and Behavioral Research Seminar Series, Penn State College of Medicine, Invited Guest, Nov. 17, 2020.

[“COVID-19 Law and Policy Briefings: Immigration,”](#) Public Health Law Watch, Invited Guest (with Wendy E. Parmet and Nicolas Terry), Apr. 28, 2020.

“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), Oct. 26, 2018.

“Immigrant Eligibility for Public Benefits: What Every Advocate Should Know,” PA Legal Aid Network 2018 Statewide Conference, CLE Co-Presenter, Harrisburg, PA, Sept. 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, Apr. 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, Apr. 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, Mar. 3, 2017.

“Health Disparities and Law,” Cumberland County Bar Association, Invited CLE Presenter, Carlisle, PA, Dec. 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, Apr. 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, Apr. 8, 2016.

MEDIA APPEARANCES

Web Article Interview, Dan McKay, [*Hospitals Brace for Immigration Agents, Legal Clashes*](#), LAW360, Jan. 28, 2025.

Web Article Quote, Xiomara Moore, [*Texas’ 90,000 DACA Recipients Can Sign Up For Affordable Care Act Coverage – For Now*](#), TEX. TRIBUNE, Nov. 12, 2024.

Web Article Interview, Catherine Caruso, [*A Lehigh Valley Hospital Is Trying To Deport An Undocumented Comatose Patient*](#), BUCKS COUNTY BEACON, Mar. 10, 2023.

Web Article Interview, Mike LaSusa, [*Budget Bill May Boost Unauthorized Immigrants’ Health Care*](#), LAW360, Nov. 19, 2021.

Web Article Interview, Harri Leigh, [As Officials Urge Student Vaccinations, Some Colleges Considering Vaccine Requirements](#), FOX43, Apr. 14, 2021.

Web Article Interview, Aubrey Whelan, [Vulnerable Immigrants in Philly Are Scrambling to Get COVID-19 Vaccine with Few Resources or Outreach](#), PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER, Mar. 2, 2021.

Web Article Interview, Candice Norwood, [Trump Restricts Immigration Amid the Pandemic. Critics See it as an Excuse to Push His Own Agenda](#), PBS NEWS HOUR, July 28, 2020.

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.

Web Article Interview, David M. Perry, [Why Expanding Health-Care Access Must Include Immigrants](#), PACIFIC STANDARD, Mar. 1, 2019.

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

COMMUNITY LEGAL AID / CENTRAL WEST JUSTICE CENTER, Worcester, MA 2013 –2015
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 health care 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. Maintained a robust pro bono practice, including:

- Serving as the Immigration Team Leader for the firm’s medical-legal partnership and representing numerous applicants for humanitarian immigration benefits.
- Supervising and advising 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.

ASYLUM ACCESS ECUADOR, Quito, Ecuador 2009 - 2010
Legal Advocate. Represented more than 50 asylum applicants in Ecuador, and advocated for clients’ rights relating to employment, education, and public safety.

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.

INTERPROFESSIONAL EDUCATION & COLLABORATION

- Director, Joint Degree Programs in Law and Public Health at Penn State Dickinson Law and Penn State College of Medicine, 2017-present
- Working Group Member, Penn State Migration and Diversity Initiative, 2022-present
- Leadership Team Member for Health Equity Immersion: Harrisburg (an immersive 5-hour learning experience offered each semester for law and medical students and medical residents developed to educate learners about the social and political roots of health disparities in the region in conjunction with Penn State College of Medicine faculty), 2022-2023
- Co-faculty for joint sessions of Penn State Dickinson Law students enrolled in the Medical-Legal Partnership Clinic and Penn State College of Medicine students enrolled in the Global Health Scholars Program and the Health Equity Scholars Program, 2022-present
- Executive Planning Team Member and Guest Editor, Medical-Legal Partnerships: Equity, Evaluation, and Evolution (a March 2023 conference focused on academic MLPs co-hosted by Yale Law School, Georgetown Law, and Penn State Dickinson Law, accompanied by a special issue of the *Journal of Law, Medicine, and Ethics*), 2022-23
- Member, Penn State University Public Health Program Community Advisory Board, 2017-2023
- Executive Planning Team Member, Summit on Health Justice (a convening focused on research, teaching, and service to advance health equity), in conjunction with Penn State College of Medicine, 2021-22
- Co-Director, Treating Medical Errors: A Medical-Legal Colloquium (a day-long trial simulation and discussion for law students and medical residents co-taught with Penn State College of Medicine faculty), 2016-17

ACADEMIC SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES

- Penn State Dickinson Law Faculty Committees
 - Admissions Committee, 2015-19 and 2021-24
 - Appointments Committee, 2016-18 and 2019-22 (Chair, 2019-22)
 - Curriculum and Sabbatical Committee, 2022-24
 - Faculty Rights and Responsibilities Committee, 2019-20
 - Honor Code Committee, 2018-19
 - International Programs & Graduate Education Committee, Chair, 2023-24
 - Law Review Committee, 2016-19 (Chair, 2018-19)
 - Orientation Committee, 2021-22
 - Promotion & Tenure Committee, Secretary, 2023-24
- Ad Hoc Committees
 - Dean Search Committee, 2018-19
 - Law School Reunification Panel, 2023
 - Academic Administrative Evaluation Committee, 2023-24
- Professional Doctoral Committee Appointment
 - Jamelia Graham, Doctor of Public Health Program (DrPH), Penn State College of Medicine, Committee Member, 2023-present
- Faculty Advisor, Health Law and Policy Society (student group), 2017-present
- Faculty Advisor, Health Law and Policy Certificate, 2018-present
- Faculty Advisor, *Dickinson Law Review*, 2020-23
- Faculty Advisor, Middle Eastern and South Asian Law Students Association, 2021-present
- Member, Dickinson Law's Law and Healthcare Trusted Advisors, 2015-20

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Board of Directors, American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics, 2022-present; General Member, 2015-present
- Executive Committee, Section on Law, Medicine, and Health Care, Association of American Law Schools, 2025-present; Chair, 2024; Chair-Elect, 2023; Secretary, 2022
- Senior Fellows Advisory Board, Atlantic Fellows for Health Equity, 2022-23
- Virtual Community Ambassador, Collaborative for Health Equity: Act, Research, Generate Evidence (CHARGE), Center for Health Justice, Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC), 2021-22
- Contributing Editor, *JOTWELL*, Health Law Section, 2021-present
- Board of Advisors, *Georgetown Journal on Poverty Law and Policy*, 2021-present
- Peer Reviewer
 - *American Journal of Law & Medicine*
 - *American Journal of Public Health*
 - *Family Practice*
 - *Health Affairs*
 - *Health Affairs Scholar*
 - *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*
 - *Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health*
 - *Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics*
- Member, Clinical Legal Education Association, 2015-present

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Vice Chairperson, Partnership for Better Health, 2023-24; Secretary, 2022-23; Chair, Health Equity Impact Review Committee, 2022-24; Board of Trustees, 2021-24; Member, Community Policy & Engagement Committee, 2020-24.
- Advisory Board Member, Humanitarian Immigration Law Clinic, Compass Immigration Legal Services, 2020-21.

BAR ADMISSIONS

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

LANGUAGES

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

[This CV is current as of January 31, 2025]