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Education

Cornell University, College of Arts and Sciences, B.A., *summa cum laude*;
Distinction in All Subjects (2004)

Majors: English and College Scholar (independent, interdisciplinary study of literature and politics)

Honors: Phi Beta Kappa; Dean's List all semesters; National Merit Scholarship Winner; endorsed by Cornell for Rhodes and Marshall Scholarship Competitions; selected to represent College of Arts & Sciences at inauguration of University President

Writing Awards: Arthur Lynn Andrews Prize for Fiction; Barnes Shakespeare Prize

Harvard Law School, J.D. (2007)

Honors: Heyman Fellowship for federal government service after law school (2009-2012); Heyman Summer Internship Award (2005)

Engagement: *Harvard International Law Journal*, Senior Editor; Harvard Mediation Program

Syracuse University, M.F.A., Creative Writing, fiction (2016)

Honor: Creative Writing Scholar (2013-14)

Engagement: Assistant Non-Fiction Editor of *Salt Hill* literary journal (2016)

Academic Appointments

Syracuse University College of Law: Teaching Professor (2026-); Associate Teaching Professor, (2021-2026); Assistant Teaching Professor (2017-21); Visiting Professor (Spring 2017)

Courses Taught: Constitutional Law I (2024-)

National Security Law (a doctrinal class) (2020-)

Rule of Law in Post Conflict Reconstruction (2022-)

Legal & Literary Writing on War & Peace (2022-)

National Security Law Research Center (a seminar on select issues in domestic and international law and emerging technologies) (2019-)

Counterterrorism and the Law (co-taught) (2020, 2021)

National Security Lawyering (a 1L elective on separation of powers and lawyering skills) (2019-21)

Legal Communications and Research I and II (2017-2018)

Syracuse University College of Arts & Sciences: Graduate Teaching Assistant (2014-2016)

Courses Taught: English and Textual Studies 107, Living Writers (2015, 2016)

Writing & Rhetoric 205, Studio 2, Critical Research (2015)

Writing & Rhetoric 105, Studio 1, Academic Writing (2014)

Publications

AI, Bias, and National Security Profiling, 40 Berkeley Tech. L.J. 165 (2025) ([link](#))

Reference Guide on Artificial Intelligence (with James E. Baker), in REFERENCE MANUAL ON SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE, National Academies Press (2025) (peer reviewed) ([link](#))

An Introduction to Artificial Intelligence for Federal Judges (with James E. Baker and Matthew Mittelsteadt, a monograph published in hard copy), Federal Judicial Center (2023) ([link](#))

AI for Judges: A Framework (with James E. Baker and Matthew Mittelsteadt), Center for Security and Emerging Technology, a peer-reviewed report (December 2021) ([link](#))

National Security Law and the Coming AI Revolution, Observations from a Symposium Hosted by Syracuse University Institute for Security Policy and Law Georgetown Center for Security and Emerging Technology, Oct. 29, 2020 (with James E. Baker, Matthew Mittelsteadt, and John Cherry) (2021) ([link](#))

Workshop Report: UAS Law and Policy Options for State and Local Governments, March 10, 2017, Institute for National Security and Counterterrorism (2017) ([link](#))

Undergraduate Research: Einhorn Discovery Grant and Cornell Undergraduate Research Funding for College Scholar honors thesis on the purposeful writing of political fiction (2003); Pauline and Irving Tanner Dean's Scholar Summer Research Grant: presented paper on the political and utopian aspects of Elio Vittorini's 1937, anti-fascist novella *In Sicily* (2002-3)

Legal Experience

Honors Attorney and Assistant General Counsel (promoted to GS-15), Intelligence Community Agency (2009-2013):

Contract Law Division: provided legal advice regarding multi-million dollar competitive and often classified acquisitions, contract administration, and contract disputes; reviewed and, where appropriate, negotiated and settled administrative Federal Tort Claims Act claims of third parties (Sept. 2012 to July 2013)

Administrative Law Division: provided legal advice to Agency management on such issues as personnel recruitment and selection, retention and benefits, Equal Employment Opportunity law, appropriations law, contract law, workers' compensation, student programs, government travel, emergency planning, and other matters related to the administration and function of Agency business (April 2011 to Aug. 2012)

Litigation Division: acted as lead attorney in representing Agency equities for an extensive docket of federal criminal and civil cases, including high profile criminal prosecutions of an international or national security nature, and complex, multi-agency Freedom of Information Act

litigation; worked closely with Department of Justice and White House attorneys on strategies to protect classified information without impeding judicial processes; wrote classified and unclassified declarations regarding national security concerns implicated by the potential release of information; coordinated and negotiated with equity-holders across the Agency and the Executive Branch (Sept. 2009 to April 2011)

King & Spalding LLP, Associate, Washington, D.C., Special Matters & Government Investigations practice group: represented a Fortune 100 company in a Department of Justice investigation of alleged violations of anti-money laundering laws; assisted another Fortune 100 company's internal investigation in relation to the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) (Sept. 2008-Aug. 2009)(also worked as Summer Associate, July -Aug. 2006)

United States Court of Federal Claims, Law Clerk to the Honorable Charles F. Lettow, Washington, D.C. (Aug. 2007 to Aug. 2008)

Legal Experience During Law School:

Criminal Justice Institute, Harvard Law School, student defense attorney under Massachusetts waiver, Cambridge and Roxbury, MA (Oct. 2006 - Feb. 2007)

Fish & Richardson P.C., Summer Associate, Boston, MA (May - June 2006)

Refugee Law Clinical, Harvard Law School, Greater Boston Legal Services, Boston, MA (Spring 2006)

United States Department of Justice, Civil, Federal Tort Claims Act Litigation, Law Clerk, Washington, D.C. (Summer 2005)

Service

Syracuse University College of Law Faculty Judicial Clerkship Committee, chairperson (2023-); member (2020-23); Inclusion Council (member, 2022-)

Phi Beta Kappa (Cornell Chapter) Alumni Board (2015-)

Office of General Counsel Pro Bono Coordinator (2012-2013)

MacCormick (Juvenile Detention) Center, Slaterville, NY: Volunteer Parole Prep Tutor (2003-4)

Presentations and Symposia

Guest on "Scaling Laws" podcast, a joint effort between Lawfare/Brookings and the University of Texas School of Law, on AI, bias, and national security law, May 2025

William S. Fulton, Jr., Appellate Military Judges Conference, Washington, D.C., Sept. 19, 2024: invited speaker on Artificial Intelligence (AI)

Association of American Law Schools, Section on National Security Law, “New Perspectives on National Security Law Works-in-Progress Program,” AALS Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., Jan. 6, 2024: presented “AI, Bias, and National Security Profiling” draft paper

33rd Annual Review of the Field of National Security Law Conference, ABA Standing Committee on Law and National Security, Washington, D.C., Nov. 16-17, 2023: panelist for CLE Ethics session on Artificial Intelligence and National Security Practice

Research and Information Center for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, October 25, 2023: presented on AI and the Judiciary

IT Advisory Council to the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, October 19, 2023: presented on AI and the Judiciary

32nd Annual Review of the Field of National Security Law Conference, ABA Standing Committee on Law and National Security, Washington, D.C., Nov. 17-18, 2022: moderated two CLE ethics panels

Ukraine: Lessons Learned, Syracuse University College of Law, Symposium, Sept. 22-23, 2022, panelist both days: addressed disinformation and post-conflict reconstruction

“Does Law Matter? A Conversation about Ukraine, War Crimes, and the Law of Armed Conflict,” Syracuse University College of Law, April 5, 2022: moderator

National Security Law and the Coming AI Revolution, Syracuse University Institute for Security Policy and Law and Georgetown Center for Security and Emerging Technology, Symposium, Oct. 29, 2020: co-organized symposium and moderated a panel on AI bias and ethics

Intelligence Community Center for Academic Excellence Symposiums, Syracuse University and Consortium Schools: spoke every semester on a panel on Intelligence Officer careers and practice (2020-24)

Unmanned Aerial Systems Law and Policy Options for State and Local Governments, Syracuse University Institute for National Security and Counterterrorism, Workshop, Mar. 10, 2017: co-organized

Introduction for novelist and short story writer Colum McCann, Raymond Carver Reading Series, Syracuse University, Apr. 13, 2016 ([link](#))

Bar Admissions

New York, Massachusetts, and the United States Court of Federal Claims