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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

DePaul University College of Law, Chicago, Illinois (2013-present)

Professor of Law (July 2018 – Present)

Associate Dean of Research and Faculty Professional Development (May 2021 – Present)

Faculty Director, Mary and Michael Jaharis Health Law Institute (July 2015 – May 2021)

Associate Professor of Law (July 2015 – July 2018)

Assistant Professor of Law (July 2013 – June 2015)

- Courses: Contract Law; Health Policy & the Law; Chicago Health Law Colloquium; Sales (U.C.C. Art. 2); Commercial Law Survey
- Received teacher of the year and university-level awards for teaching and scholarship

Loyola University Chicago School of Law, Visiting Professor, Chicago, Illinois (Spring 2020)

- Course: Health Law: Patients and Populations

University of Chicago Law School, Visiting Associate Professor, Chicago, Illinois (Fall 2017)

- Course: Health Law & Policy

Chicago-Kent College of Law, Visiting Assistant Professor, Chicago, Illinois (2011–2013)

- Courses: Legal Writing I and II

Also interested in teaching: Health Antitrust, Health Care Contracts, Health Care Delivery Systems, Health Reform

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT AND JUDICIAL CLERKSHIP

Kirkland & Ellis LLP, Of Counsel (2011-present), Partner (2009-2011), Associate (2004-2009)
Chicago, Illinois

- Managed over 15 cases with a focus on health industry clients, argued more than 20 substantive and discovery motions, took and defended over 30 depositions, negotiated several favorable settlements, and drafted several winning dispositive motions.

The Honorable Michael Daly Hawkins, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit,
Judicial Clerkship, Phoenix, Arizona (2003- 2004)

Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP, Summer Associate
Chicago, Illinois (summer 2001, 2002)

Ernst & Young, LLP, Consultant, Health Care Group
Chicago, Illinois (1999-2000)

PUBLICATIONS

Disrupting the Market for Ineffective Medical Devices, in The Future of Medical Device Regulation: Innovation and Protection (Cambridge University Press, forthcoming 2021).

Private Law Alternatives to the Individual Mandate, 104 MINN L. REV. 1429 (2020).

The Health Insurer Nudge, 91 S. CAL. L. REV. 593 (2018).

- *Payors, Data, and Nudges to Improve Care*, J. LAW., MED. & ETHICS (2018) (symposium article adapted from S. CAL. L. REV. article).

Price Transparency and Incomplete Contracts in Health Care, 67 EMORY L. J. 1 (2017).

- *Price Transparency: A Contracts Solution, in Transparency in Health and Health Care* (Cambridge University Press 2019) (adapted from EMORY L. J. article).

Nudging Patient Decision-Making, 92 WASH. L. REV. 1255 (2017).

Revisiting Incentive-Based Contracts, 17 YALE J. HEALTH POL'Y L. & ETHICS 1 (2017).

Facilitating Incomplete Contracts, 65 CASE W. RES. L. REV. 297 (2015).

Public-Private Contracting and the Reciprocity Norm, 64 AM. U. L. REV. 1 (2014).

Contract Theory and the Failures of Public-Private Contracting, 34 CARDOZO L. REV. 2211 (2013).

Bottoms Up: A Toast to the Success of Health Care Collaboratives . . . What Can We Learn?, 56 ADMIN L. REV. 739 (2004).

Curing the Unique Health Identifier: A Reconciliation of New Technology and Privacy Rights, 43 JURIMETRICS J. 165 (2003).

- *Reconciling Privacy Rights and Technological Advances: The Unique Health Identifier*, UPDATE: FOOD AND DRUG LAW, REGULATION, AND EDUCATION, Nov./Dec. 2002, at 16 (adapted from JURIMETRICS article).

Recent Developments, Insurance: Exclusion of Contraception Found Discriminatory by EEOC, 29 J.L. MED. & ETHICS 104 (2001).

Recent Developments, ERISA: U.S. Supreme Court Holds Treatment Decisions Made by HMO Physician-Employees Do Not Breach Fiduciary Duty, 28 J.L. MED. & ETHICS 309 (2000).

FUNDED RESEARCH

Principal Investigator – *Innovative Mechanisms for Marketing Health Insurance: An Experimental Field Test*, \$400,000 grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (2021-2023).

WORK-IN-PROGRESS

The Health Equity Mandate (2021), submitted for peer review

EDUCATION

Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts

J.D., *cum laude*, 2003

- *Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics*, Editor-in-Chief, Recent Developments Section
- *Harvard Journal of Law & Gender* (formerly *Women's Law Journal*), Executive Editor
- Board of Student Advisers, Teacher for First Year Lawyering course and Section Head
- Harvard Berkman Center for Internet and Society, Co-Author of Internet Privacy Course
- Research Assistant for Dr. Richard Sobel, Harvard Law and Psychiatry Program (topic: National Identification Systems)
- Harvard Law & Health Care Society, President
- Scales of Justice A Cappella Group, President
- Harvard Law School Parody, Cast Member (a musical comedy)

University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois

B.A. in Political Science, Minor in Chemistry, *summa cum laude*, 1999

- Bronze Tablet (upper 3% of class)
- Campus Honors Program and James' Scholar (academic excellence)
- Studied abroad through Institute of European Studies, London, England (May-August 1998)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

43RD ANNUAL HEALTH LAW PROFESSORS CONFERENCE (forthcoming June 2021)

- Presenting: *Field Experiment Testing Generosity Framing of Health Insurance*

PROGRAM ON REGULATION, THERAPEUTICS AND LAW (PORTAL) (May 2021)

- Topic presented: *Incentivizing Cures*

VIRTUAL HEALTH LAW FACULTY WORKSHOP (Nov. 2020)

- Paper Presented: *Law and the Health Inequity Crisis*

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL, HEALTH LAW BIOETHICS, BIOTECHNOLOGY WORKSHOP (Nov. 2020)

- Project Presented: *Innovative Mechanisms for Marketing Health Insurance: An Experimental Field Test*

ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF HEALTHCARE ATTORNEYS ANNUAL CONFERENCE (October 2020)

- Panel: *The ACA in 2020—Court Challenges and Trump Administration Initiatives: Implications For Health and Health Care Access*

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL PETRIE-FLOM CENTER CONFERENCE, "INNOVATION AND PROTECTION: THE FUTURE OF MEDICAL DEVICE REGULATION (May 2020 – moved to remote format)

- Paper Presented: *Disrupting the Market for Ineffective Medical Devices*

REGULATION AND INNOVATION IN THE BIOSCIENCES (RIBS) WORKSHOP (May 2020)

- Topic presented: *Incentivizing Cures*

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE ANNUAL CONFERENCE (March 2020)

- Invited speaker: *ACA Individual Market Forecast and Federal litigation Update*

NORTHWESTERN FACULTY WORKSHOP (March 2020)

- Paper Presented: *Alternatives to the Mandate for Health Insurance: An Experimental Test*

- LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO FACULTY WORKSHOP (November 2019)
- Paper Presented: *Private Law Alternatives to the Individual Mandate*
- UCLA FACULTY WORKSHOP AND HEALTH LAW & POLICY COLLOQUIUM (October 2019)
- Paper Presented: *Private Law Alternatives to the Individual Mandate*
- AMERICAN ENTERPRISE INSTITUTE FORUM (October 2019)
- Featured Address: *If we cannot live with the individual mandate, can we cover enough lives without it?*
- 42ND ANNUAL HEALTH LAW PROFESSORS CONFERENCE (June 2019)
- Paper Presented: *Private Law Alternatives to the Individual Mandate*
- CHICAGO HEALTH LAW PROFESSORS WORKSHOP (May 2019)
- Paper Presented: *Incentivizing Cures*
- CARDOZO SCHOOL OF LAW FACULTY WORKSHOP (March 2019)
- Paper Presented: *Private Law Alternatives to the Individual Mandate*
- WINTER DEALS CONFERENCE, BYU LAW (March 2019)
- Paper Presented: *Private Law Alternatives to the Individual Mandate*
- MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL FACULTY WORKSHOP (October 2018)
- Paper Presented: *Price Transparency: A Contracts Solution*
- 41ST ANNUAL HEALTH LAW PROFESSORS CONFERENCE (June 2018)
- Panel: *Regulating Hybrid Entities.*
- CHICAGO HEALTH LAW PROFESSORS WORKSHOP (May 2018)
- Paper Presented: *Private Law Alternatives to the Individual Mandate*
- COLLOQUIUM ON CONTRACT AND ECONOMIC ORGANIZATION, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY (Feb 2018)
- Paper Presenting: *Price Transparency and Incomplete Contracts in Health Care*
- AALS ANNUAL MEETING (Jan. 2018)
- Panel: *Are Patients Ready for Consumer-Driven Healthcare?*
- LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO, SYMPOSIUM “PRIVACY, BIG DATA AND THE DEMANDS OF PROVIDING QUALITY PATIENT CARE” (Nov. 2017)
- Paper Presented: *The Health Insurer Nudge*
- CONFERENCE: NEXT STEPS IN HEALTH REFORM, sponsored by the American Society for Law, Medicine, and Ethics and American University Washington College of Law (October 2017)
- Paper Presented: *The Health Insurer Nudge*
- UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO PUBLIC LAW AND LEGAL THEORY WORKSHOP (Fall 2017)
- Paper Presented: *Price Transparency and Incomplete Contracts in Health Care*
- DEPAUL FACULTY WORKSHOP (September 2017)
- Paper Presented: *The Health Insurer Nudge*
- 40TH ANNUAL HEALTH LAW PROFESSORS CONFERENCE (June 2017)
- Paper Presented: *Price Transparency and Incomplete Contracts in Health Care*
- CHICAGO HEALTH LAW PROFESSORS WORKSHOP (May 2017)
- Paper Presented: *The Health Insurer Nudge*

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL PETRIE-FLOM CENTER CONFERENCE, TRANSPARENCY IN HEALTH AND HEALTH CARE: LEGAL AND ETHICAL RESPONSIBILITIES AND LIMITS (April 2017)

- Paper Presented: *Price Transparency and Incomplete Contracts in Health Care*

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR BIOETHICS & HUMANITIES ANNUAL MEETING (October 2016)

- Paper Presented: *Nudging Patient Decision-Making*

HEALTH LAW SCHOLARS WORKSHOP (September 2016)

- Paper Presented: *Price Transparency and Incomplete Contracts in Health Care*

DEPAUL FACULTY WORKSHOP (September 2016)

- Paper Presented: *Price Transparency and Incomplete Contracts in Health Care*

39TH ANNUAL HEALTH LAW PROFESSORS CONFERENCE (June 2016)

- Paper Presented: *Revisiting Incentive-Based Contracts*

THE ELEVENTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CONTRACTS (February 2016)

- Paper Presented: *Revisiting Incentive-Based Contracts*

AALS ANNUAL MEETING (January 2016)

- Panel: Contracts – Braided Contracting and the Interplay of Formal and Informal Enforcement Strategies in Contract Relationships (selected as junior commenter)
- Panel: Law, Medicine and Health Care – Works-In-Progress for New Law School Teachers (selected from national call for papers)

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LEGAL SCHOLARSHIP WORKSHOP (October 2015)

- Paper Presented: *Contracting for Results in Health Care?* (now *Revisiting Incentive-Based Contracts*)

MIDWEST LAW AND ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING (October 2015)

- Paper Presented: *Contracting for Results in Health Care?* (now *Revisiting Incentive-Based Contracts*)

38TH ANNUAL HEALTH LAW PROFESSORS CONFERENCE (June 2015)

- Paper Presented: *Welfare & Informed Consent* (now *Nudging Patient Decision-Making*)

CHICAGO JUNIOR FACULTY WORKSHOP (January 2015)

- Paper Presented: *Informed Consent & Cognitive Bias* (now *Nudging Patient Decision-Making*)

DEPAUL FACULTY WORKSHOP (November 2014)

- Paper Presented: *Facilitating Incomplete Contracts*

CHICAGO JUNIOR FACULTY WORKSHOP (August 2014)

- Paper Presented: *Facilitating Incomplete Contracts*

37TH ANNUAL HEALTH LAW PROFESSORS CONFERENCE (June 2014)

- Paper Presented: *Health Care & Happiness*

INDIANA UNIVERSITY ROBERT H. MCKINNEY SCHOOL OF LAW FACULTY WORKSHOP (April 2014)

- Paper Presented: *Public-Private Contracting and the Reciprocity Norm*

THE NINTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CONTRACTS (February 2014)

- Paper Presented: *Public-Private Contracting and the Reciprocity Norm*

CHICAGO JUNIOR FACULTY WORKSHOP (February 2014)

- Paper Presented: *Public-Private Contracting and the Reciprocity Norm*

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LEGAL SCHOLARSHIP WORKSHOP (November 2013)

- Paper Presented: *The Reciprocity Norm in Public-Private Contracting*

MIDWEST LAW AND ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING (October 2013)

- Paper Presented: *The Reciprocity Norm in Public-Private Contracting*

PHILOSOPHICAL FOUNDATIONS OF FIDUCIARY LAW (June 2013)

- Panel Moderator

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS FACULTY WORKSHOP (September 2012)

- Paper Presented: *Contract Theory and the Failures of Public-Private Contracting*

CHICAGO-KENT FACULTY WORKSHOP (September 2012)

- Paper Presented: *Contract Theory and the Failures of Public-Private Contracting*

LAW & SOCIETY ANNUAL CONFERENCE (June 2012)

- Paper Presented: *Public-Private Contracts and the Failures of Contract Theory*

PRACTICING LAW INSTITUTE (June 2012)

- Panelist: Expert Depositions

ASU LEGAL SCHOLARS CONFERENCE, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law (March 2012)

- Paper Presented: *Public-Private Contracts and the Failures of Contract Theory*

7TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CONTRACTS, Thomas Jefferson School of Law (March 2012)

- Paper Presented: *Public-Private Contracts and the Failures of Contract Theory*

SYMPOSIUM, CLASS ACTION ROLLBACK? - *WAL-MART V. DUKES* AND THE FUTURE OF CLASS ACTION LITIGATION, DePaul Law Review (February 2012)

- Panelist: *The "New" Rules of Class Certification*

JUNIOR FACULTY WORKSHOP, Chicago-Kent College of Law (October 2011)

- Paper Presented: *Public-Private Contracts and the Failures of Contract Theory*

INVITED LECTURE, University of Chicago Law School (February 2010, January 2011)

- Practical Writing Presentation: *Written Discovery*

MEDIA, BLOGS, AND PODCASTS

BILL OF HEALTH, *Price Transparency: Progress, But Not Yet Celebration* (May 5, 2021)

THE HILL, *Quick Fixes? What Biden Can Do to Improve Health Care System Now* (Feb. 17, 2021)

US NEWS, *Healthy Sentence: Make Vaccinating Prisoners Priority* (Feb. 19, 2021)

VERYWELLHEALTH, *Biden to Reopen Obamacare Markets: What This Means for Your Health Coverage* (Feb. 4, 2021) (quoted)

NEWSY, *Inside President Biden's Plan To Shore Up The Affordable Care Act* (Jan. 27, 2021) (interviewed)

THE HILL, *Americans' health at stake: Georgia Senate run-offs decide future* (Dec. 14, 2020) (with Erin Fuse Brown)

POLITIFACT, *No proof that Kelly Loeffler will ensure protections for preexisting conditions* (Nov. 30, 2020) (quoted)

FORTUNE, *New Trump administration rule directs insurers to reveal what they pay for prescriptions* (Nov. 14, 2020) (quoted)

THE CONVERSATION, *Conservatives backed the ideas behind Obamacare, so how did they come to hate it?* (Nov. 10, 2020) (with Christopher Robertson)

CRAINS, *Here's what Illinois has riding on the Supreme Court's Obamacare decision* (Nov. 10, 2020) (quoted)

STAT NEWS, *Trump administration finalizes rule forcing insurers to disclose negotiated prices, including for drugs* (Oct. 29, 2020) (quoted)

THE 19TH, *Supreme Court confirmation hearings put spotlight on health care* (Oct. 12, 2020) (quoted)

BILL OF HEALTH, *How Telehealth Could Improve — or Worsen — Racial Disparities* (Oct. 8, 2020) (with Craig Konnoth and Max Helveston)

THE 19TH, *Ginsburg's replacement could play a pivotal role in shaping health care access* (Sept. 21, 2020) (quoted)

KAISER HEALTH NEWS, *For COVID Tests, the Question of Who Pays Comes Down to Interpretation* (July 20, 2020) (quoted)

CHICAGO TRIBUNE, *Commentary: Without Obamacare, the COVID-19 Crisis Would Be Far Worse* (April 1, 2020) (with Christopher Robertson)

BILL OF HEALTH, *Pandemic Guidelines, Not Changed Malpractice Rules, Are the Right Response to COVID-19* (March 30, 2020) (with Valerie Gutmann Koch and Govind Persad)

MORNING CONSULT, *Despite a Decade of Challenges, ACA Has Support Among 55% of Voters* (March 30, 2020) (quoted)

CRAINS, *How Obamacare Helps Hospitals Battle the Pandemic* (March 27, 2020) (quoted)

IPSE DIXIT PODCAST, *Private Law Alternatives to the Individual Mandate* (July 8, 2019) (featured guest)

MORNING CONSULT, *Trump's Executive Order on Price Transparency: Instant Reaction* (June 24, 2019) (quoted)

KHN AND POLITIFACT, *Trump's Talk On Preexisting Conditions Doesn't Match His Administration's Actions* (May 16, 2019) (quoted)

POLITIFACT, *Republican Pre-existing Protections Leave Some Vulnerable* (April 1, 2019) (quoted)

MORNING CONSULT, *Top 5 Health Policy Predictions for 2019* (Dec. 20, 2018) (quoted)

THE NEW YORK TIMES, *Taking Surprise Medical Bills to Court* (Dec. 18, 2018) (quoted)

CHICAGO TONIGHT, *After Texas Ruling, What's Next for Obamacare* (Dec. 18, 2018) (television appearance)

TAKE CARE BLOG, *Health Reform that Could Actually Pass? Shoring Up the ACA After Repeal of the Individual Mandate* (Dec. 6, 2018) (blog post)

POLITIFACT, *Protections on Pre-existing Conditions Have Not Existed in North Dakota Since 1970s* (Nov. 1, 2018) (quoted)

POLITIFACT, *Pre-existing Conditions: Does Any GOP Proposal Match the ACA?* (Oct. 17, 2018) (quoted)

KAISER HEALTH NEWS, *Bill Of The Month: For Toenail Fungus, A \$1,500 Prescription* (March 16, 2018) (quoted) (reprinted in THE WASHINGTON POST)

FRONTLINE PBS, *Happens If Someone Breaks a Non-Disclosure Agreement?* (March 7, 2018) (quoted)

MODERN HEALTHCARE, *Lawsuit challenging ACA creates new political drama for red-state lawmakers* (March 2, 2018) (quoted)

WGN LEGAL FACE-OFF, *Gun control laws in the wake of Parkland, Michigan State University president resignation, non-disclosure agreements, Inside Out & more* (Feb. 19, 2018) (podcast appearance)

CHICAGO TONIGHT, *Critics Say Non-Disclosure Agreements Enable Abuse* (Feb. 12, 2018) (television appearance)

BILL OF HEALTH, *Regular Blogger* (a blog by the Petrie-Flom Center at Harvard Law School and friends) (August 2017-present)

THE WEEK IN HEALTH LAW PODCAST (July 2017) (featured guest)

CRAIN'S CHICAGO BUSINESS, *Centegra unexpectedly loses money after opening its latest hospital* (June 3, 2017) (quoted)

CHICAGO TONIGHT, *House Passes Health Care Bill Repealing Obamacare* (May 4, 2017) (television appearance)

ST. LOUIS PUBLIC RADIO, *Health care under Trump — what could change, and when* (Jan. 23, 2017) (radio appearance)

ST. LOUIS PUBLIC RADIO, *With the future of the Affordable Care Act uncertain, enrollees weigh their options* (December 5, 2016) (radio appearance)

ST. LOUIS PUBLIC RADIO, *Limited choices on Healthcare.gov frustrate Metro East residents* (November 15, 2016) (radio appearance)

ST. LOUIS PUBLIC RADIO, *After the debate: How are health insurance costs rising in Missouri and Illinois?* (October 10, 2016) (radio appearance)

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

Public Voices Fellow, The OpEd Project (Fall 2020)

DePaul University Spirit of Inquiry Award (Fall 2019) (honoring scholarly achievements)

DePaul University College of Law Excellence in Scholarship Award (Spring 2018)

DePaul University Excellence in Teaching Award (Fall 2017)

DePaul University College of Law Excellence in Teaching Award (Spring 2017)

Health Law Scholar (2016)

- One of four junior health law scholars selected nationally

Jaharis Faculty Fellow in Intellectual Property and Health Law (2014-2016)

- Award provides support for faculty scholars to create and disseminate professional knowledge and curricula at the intersection of these fields

Quality Matters Star Award (2016) for online course development

Named to *Illinois Rising Stars* list by Super Lawyers Magazine (2011)

SERVICE

Law School

- Faculty Programs Committee (2018-present)
- Diversity, Inclusion & Community-Building Committee (2019-present)
- Health Law Committee (chair) (2015-present)
- Faculty Certificate Director, Certificate in Health Law (2015-present)
- Faculty Director, Masters of Jurisprudence in Health Law and Health Care Compliance (2017-present)
- Faculty Director, Dignity Health Initiative (2019-2020)
- 1L Curriculum Task Force (2019-2020)
- Admissions Committee (2018-2020)
- Readmissions Committee (2016-2018)
- Jaharis Faculty Fellow Hiring Committee (chair) (2015-16, 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-2020)
- Non-JD Programs Committee (2014-15)
- Technology, Online Learning & Facilities (2014-15)

University

- Consortium for Health Initiatives at DePaul (2014-present)
- Committee on Online Learning (COOL) (2016-present)
- Academic Integrity Board (2017-present)
- Rush University Medical Center and Rosalind Franklin strategic alliances (2014-2016)

Professional

- Chicago Junior Faculty Workshop (citywide organizer, 2013-2018)
- Chicago Health Law Professors Workshop (co-organizer, 2015-present)

Community

- Family Service of Glencoe, Board of Directors, President (non-profit focused on identifying, preventing, and resolving social and emotional determinants of health)
- Board of Visitors, University of Illinois Political Science Department

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Bar Memberships
 - State: Illinois
 - Federal: Fifth, Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Circuits and Northern District of Illinois

- American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics
- American Health Lawyers Association
- American Society for Bioethics & Humanities
- American Bar Association, Sections on Business Law and Health Care Law
- The Association of American Law Schools (Health Law and Contracts Sections)