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Education

Cornell Law School

J.S.D., 2022 (expected), 'The Law of Money in the Internet Society'

London School of Economics

L.L.M., 2015, 'The Neglected Macroeconomic Dimension of the Copyright Debate'

Columbia Law School

J.D., 2015

- Graduate Social Justice Fellowship
- Parker School Certificate in International & Comparative Law
- John Paul Stevens Foundation Summer Public Interest Fellowship
- Research Assistant, Professor Jeffrey N. Gordon
- Articles Editor & Digital Editor, Columbia Journal of Law & Social Problems

Bar Admission, State of New York, 2016 (inactive)

Columbia Teachers College

M.A., 2010, Music Education

- Kenneth and Illamae Knapp Scholarship

University of Southern Queensland

B.Cr.A., 2009, Music

- *Semester Exchange*, Manhattan School of Music, Performance (French Horn)

University of Sydney

B.Int.Studies, 2009, International Business, Government & International Relations

- *Semester Exchange*, University of Pennsylvania, Political Science
- Economics and Business Faculty Undergraduate Distinction Scholarship

Academic Appointments

Willamette University College of Law, Assistant Professor of Law, 2020-present

- Contracts I: Fall 2021, Fall 2020
- Business Organizations: Spring 2022, Spring 2021
- Securities Regulation: Spring 2022, Spring 2021
- Law, Money, Technology: Fall 2021
- Public Banking and the Law: Summer 2022

Manchester University School of Law, Simon & Hallsworth Visiting Professor, 2021

Cornell Law School, Teaching Fellow, 2018-2019

Clarke Program on the Law and Regulation of Financial Institutions and Markets

Co-Instructor with Professor Robert Hockett

- Fintech: Spring 2019
- Monies: Spring 2018

Columbia Law School

Co-Instructor with Professor Jeffrey N. Gordon

- Law, Money, Finance: Spring 2017; Spring 2016

Legal Experience

Children's Law Center, Appellate Attorney, 2015-2017

Lawyers for Children, Graduate Legal Fellow, 2014-2015

Hon. Fredericka Wicker, Louisiana Fifth Circuit Court of Appeal, Judicial Intern, 2013

National Center for Youth Law, Summer Law Clerk, 2013

Hon. James Francis IV, Southern District of New York, Judicial Intern, 2012

Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts, Legal Extern, 2012

Education Advocacy Project, Legal Aid Society, Legal Intern, 2011-2012

Publications

Books

Digitizing the Dollar: The Battle for the Soul of Public Money in the Age of Cryptocurrency (Melville House, 2022) (forthcoming)

Articles & Essays

Spending Money: Fiscal Policy in the Era of Digital Currency (work-in-progress)

Administering Money: Coinage, Debt Crises, and the Future of Fiscal Policy, 109(2) *Kentucky Law Journal* 229 (2021)

Monetary Resilience, 41(3) *Western New England Law Review* 505 (2019)

"*Money Isn't Scarce: It's Infinite,*" in **11 Things They Don't Teach You About Law & Economics: An Informal Introduction to Political Economy & the Law**, 37 *Law & Inequality* 97 (2019)

Book Chapters

Teaching at the Intersection of Law, Money, & Technology, in *Integrating Doctrine & Diversity: Inclusion & Equity Beyond the First Year* (Nicole Dyszlewski, Raquel Gabriel, Suzanne Harrington-Steppen, Anna Russell, & Genevieve Tung eds., 2023), Carolina Academic Press (forthcoming)

Inflation Management in the Green New Deal Era, in *Green New Deal: Interdisciplinary Heterodox Perspectives* (Michael Murray & Mathew Forstater eds., 2022), Palgrave Macmillan (forthcoming)

Digital, in *Tipping Points in International Law: Critique and Commitment* (John Haskell & Jean d'Aspremont eds., 2021), Cambridge University Press

Equality, Not Equal Pay: Distributional Justice Beyond Money, in *Debating Equal Pay For All: Economy, Practicability, and Ethics* (Anders Örténblad ed., 2020), Palgrave Macmillan

Banking in a Digital Fiat Currency Regime, in *Regulating Blockchain: Techno-Social and Legal Challenges* (Philipp Hacker, et al. Eds., 2019), Oxford University Press

Who Owns the Intellectual Fruits of Job Guarantee Labor?, in *The Job Guarantee and Modern Money: Realizing Keynes's Labor Standard* 207 (Michael Murray & Mathew Forstater eds., 2017), Palgrave Macmillan

Legislative Drafting

Resolution Recognizing the Duty of the Federal Government to Create a Federal Job Guarantee, Introduced to the 117th Congress on February 18, 2021, by Rep. Ayanna Pressley (D-MA)

The Public Banking Act, Introduced to the 116th Congress on October 30, 2020, by Rep.'s Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-NY) & Rashida Tlaib (D-MI)

The Stablecoin Tethering and Bank Licensing Enforcement (STABLE) Act, Introduced to the 116th Congress on December 2, 2020, by Rep.'s Rashida Tlaib (D-MI), Jesús "Chuy" García (D-IL), & Stephen Lynch (D-MA)

The Automatic Boost to Communities (ABC) Act, Introduced to the 116th Congress on March 21, 2020, by Rep.'s Rashida Tlaib (D-MI) & Pramila Jayapal (D-WA)

Legislative Testimony & Rulemaking Commentary

Testimony at Hearing on H.J.R. 205 ("Proposing to Amendment to Oregon Constitution Relating to Banks"), *Committee on Rules, Oregon Legislative Assembly* (February 22, 2022)

Comment on the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau's Inquiry Into Big Tech Platforms (with Raúl Carrillo & Luke Herrine), (December 21, 2021)

Testimony at Hearing on "Digitizing the Dollar: Investigating the Technological Infrastructure, Privacy, and Financial Inclusion Implications of Central Bank Digital Currencies," *Task Force on Financial Services, U.S. House Committee on Financial Services* (June 15, 2021)

Testimony at Hearing on H.B. 2743 ("Relating to Public Banks"), *Committee on Business and Labor, Oregon Legislative Assembly* (March 17, 2021)

Reports & White Papers

Regulatory Challenges and Risks for Central Bank Digital Currency, *ITU Focus Group on Digital Currency* (2019)

Digital Currency Implementation Checklist for Central Banks, *ITU Focus Group on Digital Currency* (2019)

The Macroeconomic Policy Implications of Digital Fiat Currency (with Jonathan Dharmapalan), *eCurrency Mint* (2019)

A Fifty State Comparative Analysis of Judicial Sentencing Guidelines, *Louisiana Sentencing Commission* (2013)

National Arts Policy Roundtable: The Role of the Arts in a Shifting Economy (with Nora Halpern, et al.), *Americans for the Arts* (2012)

A Guide to Federal Economic Development Grants for Arts Organizations, *Americans for the Arts* (2011)

Working Papers

Corporate Income Taxation in a Modern Monetary Economy (with Nathan Tankus), (*Global Institute for Sustainable Prosperity, Working Paper No. 119, 2017*)

Mobile Finance in Developing Countries: Macroeconomic Implications and Potential, (*Global Institute for Sustainable Prosperity, Working Paper No. 116, 2017*)

Do Negative Interest Rates Live Up to the Hype? (with Ayowande McCunn), (*Global Institute for Sustainable Prosperity, Working Paper No. 115, 2017*)

Op-Eds & Blogs

We Can Afford to Beat This Crisis, *The Nation* (March 20, 2020)

RIP Paul Volcker: The Fed Chair Who Thought We Lived Too Well, *The Nation* (December 11, 2019)

Facebook Wants Its Own Currency. That Should Scare Us All, *The Nation* (July 22, 2019)

Money and Property (with Lua Yuille), *Law and Political Economy Blog* (May 16, 2019)

A Modern Monetary Theory (MMT) Response on What Causes Inflation (with Nathan Tankus & Scott Fullwiler), *Financial Times* (March 1, 2019)

Do We Need a Job Guarantee? (with Raúl Carrillo), *In These Times* (June 19, 2018)

Why Law Students Need Macroeconomics, and Macroeconomics Needs Us (with Raúl Carrillo),
Morningside Muckraker (February 24, 2014)

Presentations & Events

Formative Assessment & Tech Tools, *Faculty Development Series*, Willamette University College of Law
(February 2, 2022)

Taking Privacy Seriously: Design & Regulation of Digital Currency, *Cyberjustice Laboratory Seminar Series*,
University of Montreal Law School (January 24, 2022)

Designing the Market: Workers, Concentration, & Big Tech, *Global Forum on Democratizing Work*, Online
(October 6, 2021)

Privacy Tech in the Legal Industry, *Invited Talk*, University of Manchester Law School (December 7, 2021)

Designing the Market: Workers, Concentration, & Big Tech, *Global Forum on Democratizing Work*, Online
(October 6, 2021)

The Future of Money in a Digital World, *Portland Chapter, Risk Management Association*, Online (October 6,
2021)

The Public Banking Act: Opportunities in Virginia, *Green New Deal VA*, Online (November 9, 2021)

Designing the Market: Workers, Concentration, & Big Tech, *Global Forum on Democratizing Work*, Online
(October 6, 2021)

**Spending Money: Budgeting, Debt Management, and Fiscal Coordination in a Digital Fiat Currency
Regime**, *Brooklyn Law School Faculty Workshop*, Online (October 7, 2021)

Designing the Market: Workers, Concentration, & Big Tech, *Economic Democracy Initiative's Global Forum on
Democratizing Work*, Bard College (October 6, 2021)

How May We Shape Future Technologies to Support Democratic Outcomes?, *YSI 3rd Annual Summer
Academy on Law, Money, Technology*, Online (March 31, 2021)

The Blues of Oregon's Blue Sky Law: Securities Liability Risks to Future Business Lawyers, *Economic
Democracy Initiative's Global Forum on Democratizing Work, Public Seminar*, Willamette University College of Law
(March 31, 2021)

After Cash: Keeping Secrets in Permissionless Finance, *Priv8 Virtual Privacy Summit*, Online (March 23-25,
2021)

Understanding the Critiques of MMT, *Law & Political Economy Student Group*, Yale Law School (March 3,
2021)

The International Law of Digital Money, *The Law & Political Economy Project Conference*, Online (February 8,
2021)

Digitizing Money, *First Annual Pacific Northwest Scholars Workshop*, Online (February 5, 2021)

What is Happening With Gamestop?, *Willamette University College of Law*, Online (February 3, 2021)

Stablecoins and Central Bank Digital Currency, *Policy 4.0 Roundtable*, Online (February 3, 2021)

Macroeconomics and the Federal Budget, *Progressive Talent Pipeline Webinar on Public Finance*, Online (January
25, 2021)

MMT and the Law, *Socioeconomics Section, Association of American Law Schools Annual Conference*, Online
(January 10, 2021)

Smart Contracts and Monetary Policy, *The 3rd Conference on Law & Macroeconomics*, Yale Law School (October 15, 2020)

Money & Banking, *Law & Political Economy Project*, Online (July 8, 2020)

Should We Launch a Central Bank Digital Currency in Response to COVID-19?, *Positive Money*, Online (April 23, 2020)

#MintTheCoin, Digital Currency, and Automatic Stabilizers: Towards a Crisis-Resilient Macroeconomic Framework, *Flatten the Curve Summit*, Online (April 21-23, 2020)

Budgeting and Inflation-Management Under the Green New Deal, *Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society Annual Meeting*, New Orleans (March 11-13, 2020)

The Legal and Political Significance of Modern Monetary Theory, *Populism, Electoral Politics, and Socio-Economic Justice*, AALS Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C. (January 2-5, 2020)

The Law & Macroeconomics of Digital Fiat Currency in Africa, *The Quest for Economic and Monetary Sovereignty in 21st Century Africa*, Tunis (November 7-9, 2019)

Digital Money & Public Purpose, *DECODE Symposium: Our Data, Our Future: Radical Tech for a Democratic Digital Society*, Turin (November 5-7, 2019)

Keeping Money Dumb: Privacy and Anonymity in the Digital Era, *The Third International Conference of Modern Monetary Theory*, Stony Brook University (September 27-29, 2019)

Legal and Regulatory Issues Regarding Facebook's Proposed 'Libra' Currency, *Congressional Progressive Caucus Briefing*, U.S. House of Representatives (July 15, 2019)

Macroeconomics, *2nd YSI Finance, Law, and Economics Summer Academy*, University of Manchester Law School (July 11-12, 2019)

Digital Fiat Currency and Cross-Border Transactions, *Digital Fiat Currency Showcase*, International Telecommunications Union (June 13, 2019)

The Legal Design of Digital Fiat Currency, *IGLP Workshop on the Fate of Law as Technology*, Harvard Law School (June 6, 2019)

Inflation Management in a Progressive Macroeconomic Regime, *APPEAL Workshop on Policy Options for the 21st Century*, University of Maryland (June 2-4, 2019)

Transforming Investment, *Paying for the Green New Deal Workshop*, Harvard Law School (May 24, 2019)

The Inherent Presentism of Monetary Policy, *Workshop on Tipping Points in International Law*, American Society for International Law (May 3, 2019)

Can We Afford It? Understanding Government Financing of Ambitious Policy Proposals, *HLS Forum Speaker Series*, Harvard Law School (April 18, 2019)

The Future of Finance, *LPE Reading Group*, Yale Law School (April 8, 2019)

The Future of Digital Fiat Currency in Europe, *The First International European Conference of Modern Monetary Theory*, EBC Hochschule Berlin (February 1-2, 2019)

The Law & Economics of Stablecoins, *Money 20/20*, Hangzhou (November 14-16, 2018)

Digital Money, *ClassCrits Conference XI*, West Virginia University College of Law (November 2-3, 2018)

Towards Monetary Resilience, *WNU Law Review Symposium*, Western New England Law School (October 26, 2018)

The Future of Legal-Monetary Research, *The Second International Conference of Modern Monetary Theory*, The New School (September 28-30, 2018)

Banking In a Digital Fiat Currency Regime, *Law & Money IV Conference*, University of Sheffield (September 3, 2018)

A Legal Framework for Digital Currency Design, *Challenges and Experiments in Monetary Sovereignty Conference*, Harvard Law School (June 2-3, 2018)

The Inherent Presentism of Monetary Policy, *Financial Regulation & Monetary Reform Roundtable*, Tulane Law School (May 25, 2018)

Preserving Civil Liberties in the Age of Digital Fiat Currency, *Sheffield Institute of Corporate and Commercial Law Series*, University of Sheffield (April 24, 2018)

The Law and Economics of Digital Fiat Currency, University of Agder (April 16, 2018)

Why and How Do We Regulate Modern Finance?, *Rethinking Finance Conference*, BI Norwegian Business School (April 12-13, 2018)

Property & Money (with Lua Yuille), *Junior Scholars' Works-In-Progress Panel on Property Law*, AALS Annual Meeting, San Diego (January 3-6, 2018)

The Law of Money in the Internet Society, *National S.J.D. Roundtable*, American University (November 3, 2017)

The Future of Cryptocurrency, *Festival for New Economic Thinking*, Edinburgh (October 19-20, 2017)

The Role of Banking Under a Digital Fiat Currency Regime, *MILC Speaker Series*, University of Manchester School of Law (October 17, 2017)

Digital Fiat Currency: A Modern Money View, *The First International Conference of Modern Monetary Theory*, University of Missouri-Kansas City (September 21-24, 2017)

Banking in a Digital Fiat Currency Regime, *Workshop on Blockchain and the Constitution of a New Financial Order*, University College London (June 19, 2017)

The Legal Architecture of Public and Private Money, *APPEAL Workshop on Law & Economics*, University of Maryland School of Law (June 15-16, 2017)

From a State Theory of Money to a Legal Theory of Money, *International Post-Keynesian Conference*, University of Missouri-Kansas City (September 15-18, 2016)

Rethinking Money, *New Thinking in Law & Economics*, University at Buffalo Law School (June 22-23, 2015)

Law, Institutions, and Economic Design, *Rethinking Economics: New York*, Columbia Law School (September 12-14, 2014)

Professional Activities

Affiliations

President, Modern Money Network, 2012-Present

Director, Public Money Action, 2021-Present

Vice-Chair (Privacy), Digital Currency Global Initiative, 2020-Present

Advisory Board, Positive Money, 2020-Present

Network Manager, FreedomBox Foundation, 2018-Present

Research Director, Digital Fiat Currency Institute, 2018-Present

Board Director, National Jobs for All Network, 2018-Present

Event Organizing

The Third Conference on Law & Macroeconomics, Yale Law School (October 15, 2020), *Co-Organizer*

MMN Symposia Series, 2012-Present, *Lead Organizer for 70+ public seminars, lectures, and debates at 10+ universities on 3 continents*

The Third International Conference of Modern Monetary Theory, Stony Brook University (September 27-29, 2019), *Lead Organizer*

2nd YSI Finance, Law, and Economics Summer Academy, University of Manchester School of Law (July 11-12, 2019), *Co-Lead Organizer (~30 people)*

Paying for the Green New Deal Workshop, Harvard Law School (May 24, 2019), *Lead Organizer (~80 people)*

The Second International Conference of Modern Monetary Theory, The New School (September 28-30, 2018), *Lead Organizer (~450 people)*

Second Meeting of the ITU Focus Group on Digital Currency, Cornell Tech Campus (July 18-20, 2018), *Co-Lead Organizer (~150 people)*

A New “New Deal” for New York City and the United States, The New School (October 27, 2017), *Co-Lead Organizer (~100 people)*

The First International Conference of Modern Monetary Theory, University of Missouri, Kansas City (September 21-24, 2017), *Co-Lead Organizer (~250 people)*

Rethinking Economics, New York City (September 12-14, 2014), *Co-Lead Organizer (~400 people)*

Media

Television & Video

The Future of Money in a Digital World, *WUStream* (October 18, 2021)

#MintTheCoin! – Interview With Former Mint Director Philip Diehl, *Public Money Action* (October 8, 2021)

El Salvador Adopts Bitcoin, *Deutsche Welle’s The Day* (June 25, 2021)

El Salvador’s Plan to Adopt Bitcoin, *Univision News* (June 8, 2021)

El Salvador Plans to Make Bitcoin Legal Tender, *BBC News* (June 6, 2021)

Podcasts

Modern Monetary Theory, *The Problem With Jon Stewart* (February 24, 2022)

Defining the World of Crypto and the Digital Commons, *Real Progressives* (February 24, 2022)

Congress is Trading Cryptocurrencies, *Status Coup* (February 16, 2022)

Money: We Totally Made It Up, *Marketwatch’s Best New Ideas in Money* (December 23, 2021)

This is How to Literally Mint a Trillion Dollar Coin, *Odd Lots* (November 1, 2021)

Mint the Coin, *Nicole Sandler Show* (October 5, 2021)

How the Trillion Dollar Coin Could End Debt Ceilings, *Odd Lots* (October 3, 2021)

Chekhov’s Coin, *Money on the Left* (September 28, 2021)

Stablecoins, CBDCs, and the STABLE Act, *Crypto Critics' Corner* (July 21, 2021)

Keeping Money Public, *New Money Review* (July 14, 2021)

A Privacy Preserving Digital Dollar vs Monero, *Monero Talk* (June 24, 2021)

El Salvador's Adoption of Bitcoin, *CoinMarketRecap* (June 23, 2021)

#MintTheCoin, *The MMT Podcast* (January 18, 2021)

Society's Disenfranchisement and the Connection Between the Law, Money, and Corporatism, *Real Vision's Mike Green in Conversation* (January 17, 2022)

Mint The Coin, *Radiolab* (January 15, 2021)

The Deficit Myth, *Real Progressives* (January 5, 2021)

The Controversial STABLE Act and Its Implications for Crypto, *Real Vision Finance* (December 23, 2020)

Ethereum vs The STABLE Act, *Bankless* (December 22, 2020)

Why Stablecoin Issuers Need to Be Banks, *Unchained* (December 11, 2020)

The STABLE Act With Jeremy Allaire & Rohan Grey, *The Block Live* (December 8, 2020)

Understanding the STABLE Act and the Push to Regulate Crypto, *Hidden Forces* (December 8, 2020)

The Public Banking Act, *Macro 'n' Cheese* (November 7, 2020)

Digital Money and Privacy, *Tangents from Coin Center* (July 29, 2020)

Why the War on Cash is a War on Freedom, *Odd Lots* (April 17, 2020)

Monetary Policy, *Iipse Dixit* (April 2, 2020)

#MintTheCoin, *Left Anchor* (March 28, 2020)

Modern Monetary Theory and Intellectual Property, *Iipse Dixit* (October 24, 2019)

The Legal Nature of Money and the History of the Federal Reserve, *Macro and Cheese* (September 21, 2019)

Digital Currency, Privacy, and MMT, *MacroMusings* (February 11, 2019)

Digital Currency, Privacy, and MMT, *MacroMusings* (February 11, 2019)

The History of Money, *Historic.ly* (November 20, 2018)

Digital Money Beyond Blockchain, *Money on the Left* (November 14, 2018)

Print Media

Cited or quoted in the New York Times, Los Angeles Times, Wall Street Journal, Financial Times, Reuters, Bloomberg, Vox, New York Magazine, Quartz, Politico, Roll Call, Al Jazeera, BBC World News, Mercurio, Wired, The New Republic, Mother Jones, Marketwatch, The Week, Jacobin, the Intercept, Coindesk, CoinTelegraph, DeCrypt, Blockworks, The Block, among others.