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## **EDUCATION**

Stanford University, Ph.D. in Political Science, expected 2021

Interdisciplinary Graduate Fellow

Dissertation Committee: Bruce Cain, Daniel E. Ho, Pam Karlan, Nate Persily, Jonathan Rodden

## Stanford Law School, J.D. 2016

Judge Thelton E. Henderson Prize for Outstanding Performance in Supreme Court Clinic Stanford Public Interest Fellow; Ford Foundation Public Interest Fellow Summer Intern, ACLU Voting Rights Project, 2017, 2015, & 2014 Summer Law Clerk, Bredhoff & Kaiser PLLC, 2016 Extern, Campaign Legal Center, Winter 2016

**Cornell University**, B.A. with distinction in Government, Economics, & French, 2011, *magna cum laude* 

Phi Beta Kappa

Exchange student, Institute d'Etudes Politiques de Paris, France, Spring 2010 Cornell Speech & Debate Society, Worlds Debating Championships 2009, 2010, & 2011

### **EMPLOYMENT**

### **ACLU Voting Rights Project**

Skadden Fellow / Attorney, 2017-2019.

Led state constitutional challenge to New York's 25-day voter registration deadline and argued motion to dismiss; litigated partisan gerrymandering challenge to Ohio's congressional districts before three-judge panel district court (including depositions and examinations at trial); litigated challenge to Kansas's documentary proof of citizenship law (elicited expert witness's testimony at trial).

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

The American West (Bruce Cain, Shelley Fishkin, David Freyberg, David Kennedy, Connie Wolf), Stanford University, Teaching Assistant, Spring 2016.

Introduction to American Law (Lawrence Friedman), Stanford University, Teaching Assistant, Fall 2015 & Fall 2016.

Statistical Inference in Law (Daniel E. Ho), Stanford Law School, Teaching Assistant, Spring 2014.

Introduction to American Politics (David Brady & Bruce Cain), Stanford University, Teaching Assistant, Winter 2014.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Bolstering Faith with Facts: Supporting Independent Redistricting Commissions with Automated Redistricting Algorithms, 109 CAL. L. REV. (2021) (symposium) (forthcoming).

Native American Representation in the Next Decade, 55 IDAHO L. REV. (2020) (symposium) (forthcoming).

New Tricks for an Old Dog: Felon Disenfranchisement and Voter Confusion, 85 MO. L. REV. 1037 (2019) (symposium).

Our Fellow American, the Registered Sex Offender, 2016-2017 CATO SUP. CT. REV. 59 (with David T. Goldberg).

A Reasonable Bias Approach to Gerrymandering: Using Automated Plan Generation to Evaluate Redistricting Proposals, 59 WM. & MARY L. REV. 1521 (2018) (symposium) (with Bruce Cain, Wendy Tam Cho & Yan Liu).

Blurred Lines: Conjoined Polarization and Voting Rights, 77 OHIO ST. L. REV. 867 (2016) (symposium) (with Bruce Cain).

#### **WORKING PAPERS**

Questioning Questions in the Law of Democracy: What the Debate over Voter ID Laws' Effects Teaches About Asking the Right Questions.

Contemporary Relevance of Race-Based Redistricting (with Wendy Tam Cho, Bruce Cain, & Iris Hui).

## TEACHING INTERESTS

Primary: Civil Procedure, Constitutional Law, Law of Democracy/Election Law,

Remedies, Constitutional Litigation.

Secondary: Statistics and Law, Evidence, First Amendment.

#### **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS**

American Political Science Association Conference, Protecting Voting Rights in Redistricting and at the Ballot Box: Past and Future; Bush v. Gore 2.0? Foreign Inteference, Incompetence, and Misinformation in 2020, September 2020.

California Law Review Symposium, Democracy Reform for the 21st Century, April 2020.

Idaho Law Review Symposium, Democracy Evolved: The Future of American Elections, April 2020.

Bay Area APALSA Conference, Roundtable: Census Litigation & Voting Rights, Jan. 2020. February 2020.

American Political Science Association Conference, Voting Rights Restoration in Virginia, August 2019.

ACLU Summer Institute, Voting Rights Panel, Summer 2018 (with Sarah Brannon) & Summer 2019.

Missouri Law Review Symposium, Felon Disenfranchisement, April 2019.

American Political Science Association Conference, Assessing Redistricting Outcomes with Automated Redistricting Algorithms, August 2018 (with Bruce Cain & Wendy Tam Cho).

William & Mary Law Review Symposium, 2020 Redistricting: Mapping a New Political Decade, Feb 2017 (with Bruce Cain & Wendy Tam Cho).

### **OTHER WRITINGS**

New York Registration Deadline Prevents Tens of Thousands from Voting, ACLUBlog (Nov. 7, 2018).

Symposium: Strategy from a punt, SCOTUSblog (Jun. 19, 2018) (with Theresa Lee).

# PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIPS

Reviewer, American Political Science Review; Election Law Journal. New York Bar, admitted December, 2017; United States District Court for S.D.N.Y., admitted April, 2018; United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, admitted January, 2019.

# **LANGUAGES**

Fluent in Cantonese, Mandarin, and French.