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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Rutgers Law School, Camden, NJ

Assistant Professor of Law, 2017 – present

Courses: Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure-Investigations, Islamic Law: Theory and Practice

Committees: Appointments (2019-20), Faculty Colloquium (2018-20), LAWR Hiring (2018-19), Non-JD Programs (2017-18), Diversity & Inclusion Working Group (2018-19)

Leadership: Chair, Islamic Law Section-AALS (2019-20)

University of Pennsylvania Law School, Philadelphia, PA

Sharswood Fellow, 2015-2017

Courses: Federal Criminal Law, Jihad and the Law of Armed Conflict, National Security Law

EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Ph.D. (Near Eastern Languages & Civilizations), 2018

Dissertation: *Collective Duties (Farḍ Kifāya) in Islamic Law: The Moral Community, State Authority and Ethical Speculation in the Premodern Period.*

M.A. (Near Eastern Languages & Civilizations), 2011

Thesis: *The Qur'ān and its Stylistics: An Annotated Translation of Muḥāsibī's Fahm al-Qur'ān.*

J.R. Houry Fellowship

Harry F. Guggenheim Foundation Dissertation Fellowship

Honors & Awards

Center for Arabic Study Abroad (CASA) Fellowship (Damascus, Syria)

Foreign Language & Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship

Janet Lee Stevens Award in Arabic & Islamic Studies

University of Pennsylvania Law School, Philadelphia, PA

J.D., 2008

Team Leader, Criminal Law Research Group (Maldivian Penal Code Project)

Presidential Fellow, Salzburg Global Seminar (Salzburg, Austria)

Associate Editor, Journal of Labor and Employment Law

Visiting Scholar, Center for Excellence in Public Law & Human Rights (Tehran, Iran)

Delegate, Cuba Law Project (Havana, Cuba)

Georgetown University, Washington, DC
M.A. (Liberal Studies/International Affairs), 2009

Thesis: *Jihād of the Wretched: Examining Islamic Militancy through the Thought of Frantz Fanon.*

Emory University, Atlanta, GA
B.A. (Religion & Anthropology), 2000

Non-Degree Certificate Programs

Damascus University, Damascus, Syria	2002, 2007-2008
Qasid Institute for Classical Arabic, Amman, Jordan (summer)	2006
Sana'a Institute for Arabic Language, Sana'a, Yemen (summer)	2005
Al-Mawrid Institute, Lahore, Pakistan	2002-2003
Arabic Language Institute of Fez, Fez, Morocco (summer)	2000

PUBLICATIONS

Articles and Chapters

Enculturating Norms: Indigenizing Human Rights (work-in-progress).

The Reasonableness of Fleeing (work-in-progress)

Chapter 2: Territory and Jurisdiction, CAMBRIDGE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF INT'L LAW, VOL. 8, INT'L LAW IN THE ISLAMIC WORLD, ed. Intisar Rabb (Cambridge University Press) (forthcoming)

Claiming Jurisdiction over Jihad: Islamic Law & Its Duty to Fight, 120 W. VA. L. REV. 427 (2017).

Revolutionary Islamic Jurisprudence: A Restatement of the Arab Spring, 49 N.Y.U.J. INT'L L. & POL. 43 (2017).

Codifying Shari'a: International Norms, Legality & Freedom to Invent New Forms, 2 J. COMP. L. 1 (2007) (Co-authored with Paul H. Robinson et. al).

Of Neocolonialism, Common Law and Uncodifiable Shari'a: A Reply to Professor An-Na'im, 2 J. COMP. L. 61 (2007) (Co-authored with Paul H. Robinson).

Religious Sanctification of Labor Law: Islamic Labor Principles and Model Provisions, 9 J. Bus. L. 421 (2007).

Essays and Editorials

Ghāmidī, Jāved Aḥmad, in OXFORD ENCY. OF ISLAM & L., Oxford Islamic Studies Online (Jonathan Brown et al.)

Syria's Next Problem, THE DIPLOMAT (Dec. 22, 2012).

Which Islamists: Religion and the Syrian Civil War, RELIGION DISPATCHES (Dec. 19, 2012).

India Must Be Included, THE WASHINGTON TIMES (Nov. 13, 2009).

Debate Afghan War Goals, Then Select Strategy, THE JAPAN TIMES (Nov. 7, 2009).

PRESENTATIONS (select)

“Indigenizing Human Rights,” Religion & Public Life in Africa and the Americas Symposium, Weatherhead Center for Int’l Affairs. Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, April 18, 2019.

“Socializing Societies: Indigenizing Human Rights,” International Law Symposium, Temple University Beasley School of Law, Philadelphia, PA, April 2, 2019.

“Socializing Societies: Indigenizing Human Rights,” Faculty Workshop. University of Arizona Law School, Tuscon, AZ, March 28 2019.

“Islamic Law, Refugees and Asylum,” AALS Conference, New Orleans, LA, January 5, 2019.

“Collective Obligations in Premodern Islamic Law,” Near Eastern Languages & Civilizations Fall Colloquium, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, October 19, 2018.

“Merging Normative Universes: Obligation, Rights and Jurists in Pursuit of Justice,” Islamic Jurisprudence, Civil Rights and Social Justice, AALS Conference, San Diego, CA, Jan. 5, 2018.

“Before Violence: Jihad and the Question of Competent Authority,” Governance and Violence in Islamic Law Workshop, USPPIP Project, University of Exeter, Exeter, UK, Nov. 24, 2017.

“Violent Necessity: Enacting Jihad in the Colonial Era,” American Society for Legal History, Las Vegas, NV, October 28, 2017.

“Law and Violence,” Journal of Law and Religion Symposium, United Theological Seminary, Minnesota, October 20, 2017.

“The Arab Autumn: Shi’i Jurists, Revolution and the Discourse on Rights,” Law & Society Association Conference, Mexico City, Mexico, January 20, 2017.

“Modern Constitutionalism and ‘Islamic’ Penal Codes: A Case Study of the Maldives,” AALS Joint Program Panel on Comparative Constitutional Law in South Asia, San Francisco, CA, January 6, 2017.

“Islamic Law’s Duty to Fight: Claiming Jurisdiction over Jihād,” International and Comparative Law Workshop, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA, September 21, 2016.

“Islamic Law & the Duty to Fight: States, Non-State Actors and Jihād’s Evolution,” Law & Society Association, New Orleans, LA, June 2, 2016.

“Revolutionary Jurisprudence: Islamic Legal Reasoning in the Arab Spring,” Faculty Workshop, University of Pennsylvania Law School, Philadelphia, PA, March 1, 2016.

“The Free Exercise of Faith: American Courts, Secular Constitutions and the Shari‘a,” Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), Lahore, Pakistan, March 3, 2014.

“If Some Obey, Then None are Sinful: The Utility and Potential of Communal Obligations in Islamic Law,” Journal of Law & Religion Symposium, Minneapolis, MN, September 28, 2012.

“Shifting Paradigms: Islamic Law and the Consequences of Democracy in the Post-Revolution Middle East,” Univ. of Pennsylvania Journal of Int’l Law Symposium, Philadelphia, PA, November 11, 2011.

“Many Roads to Justice: Prospects for Strengthening Access to Justice in the Middle East-North Africa (MENA) Region,” International Law Association Conference, New York, NY, October 21, 2011.

“Shari‘a in Secular Society: The Case of the United States and the Maldives,” Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), Lahore, Pakistan, April 12, 2011.

WORK EXPERIENCE

International Development Law Organization (IDLO), Philadelphia, PA
Consultant (Somali Penal Code) 2016-2017

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Malé, Maldives
International Legal Consultant (Maldivian Penal Code), 2014-2015

Truman National Security Project, Washington, DC and Turkey/Syria
Research Fellow (Democracy & Human Rights Initiative), 2012-2013

Hogan Lovells, LLP, Washington, DC
Associate (Investigations, White Collar & Fraud), 2012-2014
Summer Associate, 2009

Kirkland & Ellis, LLP, New York, NY
Summer Associate, 2005

Hon. Ivan L. R. Lemelle, U.S. District Court, E. D. of LA, New Orleans, LA
Judicial Extern, 2004

Legal Resources Centre, Pretoria, South Africa
Summer Associate, 2004

United States Senate, Office of U.S. Senator Max Cleland (D-GA), Washington, DC
Legislative Staffer & Personal Aide, 2000-2002

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS & AFFILIATIONS

Bar Admission: Maryland, District of Columbia
Senior Advisor, Lodestone Advisory Group
Strategic Advisor, Urbane Development, LLC
Editor, SHARIASource (Harvard Law School)
Editorial Board, Arab Law Quarterly
Fellow, Truman National Security Project

LANGUAGES

Fluent in Arabic, Urdu.
Literate in Persian, Punjabi.
Reading knowledge in French, German & Spanish.