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LAW SCHOOL TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University August 2022 – Present

Associate Professor of Law

Courses Taught: Constitutional Law; Property; National Security and the Law; Jurisprudence
Service: Appointments Committee (August 2022 – May 2023)
Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Council (August 2023 – Present)
Faculty Development Committee (September 2023 – Present)

Quinnipiac University School of Law August 2018 – June 2022

Associate Professor of Law

(August 2021 – July 2022)

Assistant Professor of Law

(August 2018 – July 2021)

Courses Taught: Property; International Law; National Security Law; Jurisprudence
Service: Admissions Committee (August 2018 – August 2021)
International Law Working Group (September 2018 – Present)
Day 1 Mentor Program (August 2018 – Present)
APALSA Faculty Advisor (August 2019 – Present)
QU Law Soccer, Faculty Advisor (August 2019 – Present)
Honor Code Committee (August 2019 – Present)
Strategic Planning Group on Diversity & Inclusion (August 2019 – Present)
Strategic Planning Group on Law & Technology (November 2020 – Present)
Clerkship Committee (August 2018 – May 2020; August 2021 – Present)
Speakers & Conferences Committee (August 2021 – Present)

EDUCATION

New York University School of Law, New York, New York

J.D., *cum laude*, 2013

Honors: Institute for International Law and Justice Scholarship (merit tuition scholarship)
International Human Rights Award (prize for outstanding record in human rights)
John Bruce Moore Award (prize for excellence in law and philosophy)
Pro Bono Service Award (prize for graduating with 50+ hours of pro bono work)
2012 Segal AmeriCorps Education Award (public interest grant)
NYU Journal of International Law and Politics, Articles Editor

Activities: Professor Smita Narula, Research Assistant
Disaster Accountability Project, Researcher
Occupy Wall Street, Police Misconduct Fact-Finder

University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario

Ph.D. in (Analytic) Philosophy, 2011

Thesis Title: *The Justification of Deontology*

Select Honors: University Graduate Funding Award (full tuition plus stipend for five years)
Martha Lile Love Essay Prize (best course paper of the year in Philosophy)
Teaching Assistant Teaching Excellence Award Nominee (thrice, finalist once)
Excellence Award (monetary award for incoming graduate students)
Special Stipend (merit-based stipend top-up)
Dean's Essay Prize Nominee (twice: university contest for best grad student paper)

Activities: Professor Sophia Moreau, Research Assistant

New York University, New York, New York

B.A., *magna cum laude, with Honors in Philosophy*, 2005

Double Major: Philosophy and Religious Studies

Honors: Elected *Phi Beta Kappa* (top 6-7% of the graduating class by GPA)
Founder's Day Award (consistent maintenance of a GPA over 3.5)
Dean's List Recognition every semester (minimum GPA of 3.6 for a given term)
College of Arts & Sciences Trustee Scholarship (four-year merit tuition award)

Activities: Varsity Soccer Team, Recruit and Member

CLERKSHIPS

United States District Court, Eastern District of New York

Law Clerk to Chief Judge Carol Bagley Amon

2015–2016

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer LLP

Litigation Associate

2016–2018

Deposed witnesses, drafted motions and correspondence, prepared expert reports, and managed discovery in a complex, multistate arbitration. Participated in a variety of pro bono matters, including litigating an asylum petition, drafting amicus briefs related to Trump administration immigration executive orders, and assisting the Bronx Defenders in a murder trial.

Human Rights Watch & American Civil Liberties Union

Aryeh Neier Fellow

2013–2015

Researched and wrote a report a human rights report on impacts of increased government surveillance on journalists and lawyers within the U.S. Did television, radio and print interviews related to the report. Helped draft filings in *Wikimedia v. NSA* and *Salim v. Mitchell*. Observed military commission hearings at Guantánamo. Authored op-eds and ACLU blog posts. Drafted and pursued a FOIA request related to government surveillance. Wrote and presented the ACLU's right-to-privacy comments to the Human Rights Council in Geneva in September 2014.

TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

Race and Inequality; Freedom of Expression; Constitutional Law; Legal Theory/Law and

Philosophy; Normative Ethical Theory; Virtue Ethics; National Security Law; Public International Law; Privacy and Surveillance; Property; Professional Responsibility.

SCHOLARLY ARTICLES & ESSAYS

G. Alex Sinha, *Policing's Free-Speech Problem*, UTAH L. REV. (forthcoming 2025).

G. Alex Sinha, *The End of Government Speech*, 44 CARDOZO L. REV. 1899 (2023).

Ian M. Kysel & G. Alex Sinha, *Executing Racial Justice*, 71 U.C.L.A. L. REV. DISCOURSE 2 (2023). (Equal authorship.)

G. Alex Sinha & Janani Umamaheswar, *Wrongful Imprisonment and Coerced Moral Degradation*, 13 CAL. L. REV. ONLINE 17 (2022). (Equal authorship.)

G. Alex Sinha, *The Thin Blue Line Between Virtue and Vice: Confronting the Moral Harms of Policing*, 84 U. PITT. L. REV. 1 (2022).

G. Alex Sinha, *Original(ism) Sin*, 95 ST. JOHN'S L. REV. 739 (2022).

G. Alex Sinha, *False Flags and the First Amendment: Lying through Symbolic Speech*, 89 GEO. WASH. L. REV. ARGUENDO 133 (2021).

G. Alex Sinha, *Virtuous Law-Breaking*, 13 WASH. U. JURIS. REV. 199 (2021).

G. Alex Sinha, *Euphemism & Jus Cogens*, 19 NW. J. HUM. RTS. 1 (2021).

G. Alex Sinha, *Lies, Gaslighting and Propaganda*, 68 BUFF. L. REV. 1037 (2020).

G. Alex Sinha, *The Cynical Successes of the Guantánamo Bay Military Commissions*, 34 NOTRE DAME J.L. ETHICS & PUB. POL'Y 1 (2020).

G. Alex Sinha, *A Real-Property Model of Privacy*, 68 DEPAUL L. REV. 567 (2019).

G. Alex Sinha, *NSA Surveillance Since 9/11 and the Human Right to Privacy*, 59 LOY. L. REV. 861 (2014).

G. Alex Sinha, *Child Soldiers as Super-Privileged Combatants*, 17 INT'L J. OF HUM. RTS. 584 (2013).

G. Alex Sinha, *Modernizing the Virtue of Humility*, 90 AUSTRALASIAN J. PHIL. 259 (2012).

OTHER PUBLICATIONS (SELECTED)

G. Alex Sinha, *First Amendment Analogies and Second-Class Rights Under Bruen: Is it Time for a Government-Arms Doctrine?*, Second Thoughts, October 4, 2023, available at <https://firearmslaw.duke.edu/2023/10/first-amendment-analogies-and-second-class-rights-under-bruen-is-it-time-for-a-government-arms-doctrine>.

Ian M. Kysel & G. Alex Sinha, *Racial Justice Without Affirmative Action: Embracing International Law after SFFA v. Harvard*, Just Security, August 31, 2023, available at <https://www.justsecurity.org/87947/racial-justice-without-affirmative-action-embracing-international-law-after-sffa-v-harvard/>. (Equal authorship.)

Ian M. Kysel, Anjana Malhotra & G. Alex Sinha, *The US should seize the opportunity for global leadership on racial justice*, The Hill, August 11, 2022, available at <https://thehill.com/opinion/civil-rights/3597207-the-us-should-seize-the-opportunity-for-global-leadership-on-racial-justice/>. (Equal authorship.)

Anjana Malhotra, Ian M. Kysel, G. Alex Sinha, jasmine Sankofa & Allison Frankel, *Racial Discrimination in the United States: Human Rights Watch/ACLU Joint Submission Regarding the United States' Record Under the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination*, August 8, 2022, available at <https://www.hrw.org/news/2022/08/08/us-dismantle-structures-racism-now>.

G. Alex Sinha, *Technology, Self-Inflicted Vulnerability and Human Rights*, in *NEW TECHNOLOGIES FOR HUMAN RIGHTS LAW AND PRACTICE* (Molly K. Land & Jay D. Aronson eds.) (2018).

G. Alex Sinha, *Better Privacy Protections Key to US Foreign Policy Coherence*, Defense One, Mar. 25, 2015, available at <https://www.defenseone.com/ideas/2015/03/better-privacy-protections-key-us-foreign-policy-coherence/108469/?oref=d-river>.

G. Alex Sinha, *How US Government Surveillance Threatens Attorney-Client Privilege*, JURIST, Aug. 15, 2014, available at <https://www.jurist.org/commentary/2014/08/alex-sinha-attorney-client-privilege/>.

G. Alex Sinha, *Spying on the newsroom*, The Hill: Congress Blog, August 5, 2014, available at <http://thehill.com/blogs/congress-blog/civil-rights/214271-spying-on-the-newsroom>.

G. Alex Sinha, *With Liberty to Monitor All: How Large-Scale US Surveillance is Harming Journalism, Law, and American Democracy* (Human Rights Watch & ACLU, 2014), available at <https://www.hrw.org/report/2014/07/28/liberty-monitor-all/how-large-scale-us-surveillance-harming-journalism-law-and>.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

G. Alex Sinha, *A Requiem for Viewpoint Neutrality*.

G. Alex Sinha, *Governmental Speech Acts and National Security*.

G. Alex Sinha & Janani Umamaheswar, *The Communal Burden of Punishment*.

PRIZES AND GRANTS (SELECTED)

Aryeh Neier Anniversary Grant to support research and advocacy related to formal review of U.S. compliance with the International Covenant on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (2022).

INVITED ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)

Invited presentation of *A Requiem for Viewpoint Neutrality* to be given at the St. John's School of Law,

February 2024.

Discussant (with Meena Bose, Rebecca Natow, and Kristal Zook) for the Hofstra University Affirmative Action Symposium in Hempstead, New York, October 2023.

Discussant (with Paul Gowder, Thomas Metzloff, Isabel Medina, Atiba Ellis, Ben Cover, and Jacob Eisler) for The Law of Freedom: The Supreme Court and Democracy, a panel at the annual meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools in Boca Raton, Florida, July 2023.

Discussant (opposite Lee Strang) for Virtue, Vice, and the Framers' Values, hosted by the Federalist Society, the Constitutional Law Society, Center of the Aisle, and Student Bar Association at Hofstra Law, April 2023.

"The End of Government Speech" presented at Penn State Dickinson Law, January 2023.

Guest speaker for the Virtue Ethics and Law Seminar at NYU School of Law, April 2022.

Symposium speaker for the University of Alabama School of Law Journal of the Legal Profession, March 2021.

OTHER ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)

"Governmental Speech Acts and National Security" to be presented to the National Security Law Section of the American Association of Law Schools, January 2024.

"Executing Racial Justice" to be presented to the Human Rights and International Law Sections of the American Association of Law Schools, January 2024.

"A Requiem for Viewpoint Neutrality" to be presented to the Constitutional Law Section of the American Association of Law Schools, January 2024.

"A Requiem for Viewpoint Neutrality" to be presented at the 14th Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium at Loyola University Chicago School of Law, November 2023.

"Governmental Speech Acts and National Security" presented at a workshop of the AALS Jurisprudence Section, August 2023.

"A Requiem for Viewpoint Neutrality" presented at a meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools, July 2023.

"Governmental Speech Acts and National Security" presented at The Concept of Security in International Law Workshop at the Temple University Beasley School of Law, January 2023.

"The End of Government Speech" presented at the 13th Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium at Loyola University Chicago School of Law, November 2022.

"The End of Government Speech" presented at a meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools, July 2022.

“The End of Government Speech” presented at the Richmond Junior Faculty Forum, May 2022.

“Original(ism) Sin” presented to the American Association of Law Schools, Constitutional Law and Jurisprudence Sections (remotely), January 2022.

“Government Speech as Sovereign Speech” presented to the American Association of Law Schools, National Security Section (remotely), January 2022.

“Government Speech as Sovereign Speech” presented at the 12th Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium at The George Washington University School of Law, November 2021.

“The Thin Blue Line Between Virtue and Vice” presented at the Richmond Junior Faculty Forum, September 2021.

“The Thin Blue Line Between Virtue and Vice” presented at a meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS) (remotely), July 2021.

“Government Speech as Sovereign Speech” presented at the University of Florida National Security Workshop (remotely), July 2021.

“Original(ism) Sin” presented at the Law and Society Association Conference (remotely), May 2021.

“Virtuous Law-Breaking” presented at the Chicagoland Junior Scholars Conference (remotely), October 2020.

“Virtuous Law-Breaking” presented at a meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools (remotely), August 2020.

“Euphemism & *Jus Cogens*” presented at the University of Florida College of Law National Security Junior Scholar Workshop (remotely), July 2020.

“Lie, Gaslighting and Propaganda” presented at a meeting of the Association for the Study of Law, Culture and the Humanities, Quinnipiac University School of Law, North Haven, CT, March 2020.

“The Cynical Successes of the Guantánamo Bay Military Commissions” presented at the Chicagoland Junior Scholars Conference, Loyola University School of Law (co-hosted by the Northern Illinois University College of Law), Chicago, IL, September 2019.

“Technology, Self-Inflicted Vulnerability and Human Rights” presented at the Human Rights & New Technology Workshop, Human Rights Institute, University of Connecticut School of Law, Storrs, CT, October 2015.

“NSA Surveillance Since 9/11 and the Human Right to Privacy” presented at the Emerging Human Rights Scholarship Conference, Center for Human Rights & Global Justice, New York University School of Law, New York, NY, April 2013.

MEDIA APPEARANCES (SELECTED)

PODCASTS:

Ipse Dixit with Brian Frye (“Virtuous Law-Breaking”), November 10, 2020.

TELEVISION:

Zapp, Norddeutscher Rundfunk, January 21, 2015.

PBS Great Decisions, recorded August, 2014.

Democracy Now (live) (opposite Jeremy Scahill), July 29, 2014.

BBC World News Live (live) (opposite Steve Engelberg), July 28, 2014.

RADIO:

BYU Radio (live), August 7, 2014.

The Leonard Lopate Show (live), WNYC, August 1, 2014.

Radio Charleston (live), July 31, 2014.

Sirius Satellite Radio (live), July 30, 2014.

Radio 5 live (live) (with Rhod Sharp), BBC, July 28, 2014.

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Reviewer for:

Oxford University Press (Academic Law books)

International Journal of Human Rights

Journal of Applied Philosophy

Journal of Human Rights

Mentor for:

NYU Law Academic Careers Program (August 2019 – Present)

Critical Perspectives in National Security Program (March 2021 – Present)

NYU Law Public Interest Law Students Association Alumni Mentorship Program (October 2021 – Present)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Member of the New York City Bar Association's International Human Rights Committee (2016 – 2019)

* Affiliate member (2019 – 2020)

BAR ADMISSIONS

New York State

Connecticut State

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