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**Education**

Yale Law School

J.D. 1997

Book Reviews Editor, Yale Law Journal

Olin Fellow in Law & Economics

Oxford University

D. Phil. in Islamic Political Thought, Faculty of Oriental Studies 1994

Rhodes Scholar, Massachusetts and Christ Church 1992

Dissertation: Reading the *Nicomachean Ethics* with Averroes

Harvard University

A.B. *summa cum laude* in Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations 1992

Sophia Freund Prize for highest GPA in graduating class

Phi Beta Kappa, elected as a Junior

Harry S. Truman Scholar, Massachusetts 1990

Jacob Wendell Prize for most promising freshman scholar

Roger Bigelow Merriman Prize for Best Scholar in Eliot House

Newbold Rheinlander Landon Prize for law-bound student of classics

The Maimonides School, Brookline, Massachusetts 1988

Presidential Scholar, Massachusetts 1988

**Work and Teaching Experience**

New York University School of Law

Cecelia Goetz Professor of Law, 2006-2007; Faculty Co-Director, Center on Law and Security, 2004 -

Carnegie Scholar

Topic: Constitutional Change in the Islamic World, 2005-2006

Council on Foreign Relations

Adjunct Senior Fellow, 2006-

New York Times  
Contributing Writer 2005-

New America Foundation,  
Adjunct Fellow, 2002-2005

Yale Law School  
Visiting Associate Professor, Fall 2004

Harvard Law School  
Visiting Associate Professor, Spring 2005

New York University School of Law  
Associate Professor, 2004-2005  
Assistant Professor, 2001-4  
Director of the NYU-Oxford Institute

Senior Constitutional Advisor to Iraqi Constitutional Process  
Coalition Provisional Authority, 2003-

Harvard University Society of Fellows  
Junior Fellow, 1998-2001

Associate Justice David H. Souter, U.S. Supreme Court  
Law clerk, 1998-1999

Chief Judge Harry T. Edwards, U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit  
Law clerk, 1997-1998

Yale University  
Visiting Lecturer, 1996

Department of Justice, Office of Policy Development 1995  
Summer associate  
Research on Posse Comitatus Act for Oklahoma City bombing investigation

Oxford University  
Tutor, 1994

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency 1994  
Summer associate Research for Comptroller Eugene Ludwig and Chief Counsel

Department of State, Consulate General Jerusalem 1992

Intern Political/Economic Officer. Spot and analytical reporting on Palestinian affairs and the peace process

## **Publications**

*Fall and Rise of the Islamic State* (Princeton University Press, Forthcoming 2008)

*Divided by God: America's Church-State Problem* (Farrar, Straus & Giroux 2005)

*What We Owe Iraq: War and the Ethics of Nation Building* (Princeton University Press 2004)

*After Jihad: America and the Struggle for Islamic Democracy* (Farrar, Straus & Giroux 2003)

War and Reason in Maimonides and Averroes, in Richard Sorabji and David Rodin, ed., *The Ethics of War: Shared Problems in Different Traditions* (Ashgate Publishing Limited 2006)

Ethics of War: Judaism, in Richard Sorabji and David Rodin, ed., *The Ethics of War: Shared Problems in Different Traditions* (Ashgate Publishing Limited 2006)

Ugly Americans, in Karen Greenberg, ed., *The Torture Debate in America* (Cambridge University Press 2006)

Orthodox Paradox, *The New York Times Magazine*, July 22, 2007

Piece Process, *The New York Times Magazine*, June 24, 2007

The Undeparted, *The New York Times Magazine*, April 8, 2007

"Declarative Sentences Congress has the power to make and end war-not manage it", by Noah Feldman and Samuel Issacharoff, *SLATE*, March 5, 2007

Choosing A Sect, *The New York Times Magazine*, March 4, 2007

Cosmopolitan Law, 116 *Yale L.J.* 1022 (March 2007)

In God We Trust, *The American Scholar*, (Winter 2007)

Whose War Powers? , *The New York Times Magazine*, February 4, 2007

Not the Case, *The New York Times Magazine*, January 7, 2007

The International Migration of Constitutional Norms in the New World Order, 75  
Fordham L. Rev. 883 (November 2006) (Noah Feldman, Roman Martinez and Vicki C.  
Jackson)

Establishing Constitutions and Religions, 4 Faith & Intl Aff. 3 (Winter 2006)

Islam, Terror and the Second Nuclear Age, The New York Times Magazine, October 29,  
2006

The Mere Midterms, The New York Times Magazine, October 22, 2006

Why Not Talk?, The New York Times Magazine, October 1, 2006

Ballots and Bullets, The New York Times Magazine, July 30, 2006

Out of One, Many, The New York Times Book Review, July 30, 2006

The Only Exit Strategy Left, The New York Times Magazine, June 25, 2006

The God Factor, Washington Post Book World, May 14, 2006

Disunities, New York Times Magazine, April 9, 2006

Power Struggle, Tribal Conflict or Religious War?, Time Magazine, March 6, 2006

Not in the Heavens, New Republic, February 20, 2006

Becoming bin Laden, New York Times Book Review, February 12, 2006

Deliberation Nation, New York Times Magazine, February 5, 2006

Who Can Check the President?, New York Times Magazine, January 8, 2006

War-Mood Metrics, New York Times Magazine, December 11, 2005

The Totally Religious, Absolutely Democratic Constitution, New York Times Magazine,  
December 11, 2005

The Meaning of No, New York Times Magazine, October 9, 2005

Agreeing to Disagree in Iraq, New York Times, August 30, 2005

Foundering?, New York Times Magazine, July 31, 2005

The God Divide, New York Post, July 10, 2005

A Church-State Solution, New York Times Magazine, July 3, 2005

Grappling with Iraq, Washington Post Book World, June 12, 2005

Ugly Americans, New Republic, May 30, 2005

A Backroom Constitution?, Wall Street Journal, April 8, 2005

Political Islam; Global Warning, New York Times Magazine, February 6, 2005

Division, Design, and the Divine: Church and State in Today's America, 30 O.K. City L. Rev. 845

Imposed Constitutionalism, 37 Conn. L. Rev. 857 (2005)

The Democratic Fatwa: Islam and Democracy in the Realm of Constitutional Politics, 58 Okla. L. Rev. 1 (2005)

Religion and Political Authority as Brothers: the Islamic Constitution and the Ethical Literature, in Houchang Chehabi and Sohail Hashmi, eds. *Islamic Constitutionalism* (Harvard University Press, 2005)

Democracy, Islam, and the Tradition of Ibn Rushd, in *Le Dialogue des Cultures: est-il possible?* (Ministere de la culture – Rabat – Roaume du Maroc 2005)

Aristotelian Equity and Accretionary in Maimonides, in Hanina Ben-Menahem and Berachyahu Lifshitz, ed. *On Law and Equity in Maimonidean Jurisprudence* (2004)

The Theorists' Constitution -- and Ours, 117 Harv. L. Rev. 1163 (2004)

The Sunni Angle, Wall Street Journal, November 16, 2004

Iraq Can Wait for Democracy, New York Times, September 24, 2004

The Voidness of Repugnant Statutes: Another Look at the Meaning of *Marbury*, 148 Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society No. 1, p. 27 (March 2004)

A Third Way for Iraq, New York Times, February 20, 2004

A New Democracy, Enshrined in Faith, New York Times, November 13, 2003

Democracy, Closer Every Day, New York Times, September 24, 2003

Operation Iraqi Democracy, Wall Street Journal, July 15, 2003

Muslim Democrats? Why Not!, Wall Street Journal, April 8, 2003

Review of Nathan J. Brown, Constitutions in a Non-constitutional world, ICON, 1 International Journal of Constitutional Law 390 (2003)

The Best Hope, Boston Book Review, April/May 2003, at 14, republished in *Islam and the Challenge of Democracy*, eds. Cohen & Chasman (Princeton University Press 2004)

Political Equality in the Islamic State, 30 Philosophical Topics 253 (2002)

Non-sectarianism Reconsidered, 28 Journal of Law & Politics 65 (2002)

Choices of Law, Choices of War, 25 Harvard Journal of Law & Public Policy 457 (2002)

From Liberty to Equality: The Transformation of the Establishment Clause, 90 California Law Review 673 (2002)

The Intellectual Origins of the Establishment Clause, 77 N.Y.U. Law Review 346 (2002)

Help Palestinians Nurture Democracy, L.A. Times, May 28, 2002

An Exploration of Sexual Trickery in Fact and Fiction (reviewing Wendy Doniger, *The Bedtrick*), Chicago Tribune Book Review Section, April 24, 2001, at 4

The Link Between Our Minds and Emotions (reviewing Martha Nussbaum, *Upheavals of Thought: The Intelligence of Emotions*), Chicago Tribune Book Review Section, November 18, 2001

Principles and Politics (reviewing Stanley Fish, *The Trouble with Principle*), Chicago Tribune Book Review Section, April 9, 2000.

A Child's Eye View of Jewish WWII Heroes (reviewing Rich Cohen, *The Avengers*), Chicago Tribune Book Review Section, September 17, 2000, at 1

The Translators of Averroes' Commentary on the *Nicomachean Ethics*, 8 Turjuman 69 (1999)

Unresolved Tensions (reviewing Ronald Dworkin, *Freedom's Law*), 106 Yale L.J. 229 (1996)

### **Academic Lectures/Addresses**

State of the Union address, Hofstra Honors College, November 2006

Quinlan Lecture, Oklahoma City University School of Law, March 2006

Walter E. Edge Lectures, April 2004  
Princeton University, Princeton, NJ  
“The Ethics of Nation Building”

American Society for Political and Legal Philosophy, January 2004  
New Orleans, LA

Yale Law School Middle East Legal Studies Seminar, January 2004  
Rome, Italy

American Philosophical Society, April 2003  
Philadelphia, PA (paper delivered in absentia)  
“The Voidness of Repugnant Statutes: Another Look at the Meaning of *Marbury*”

Vanderbilt Law School Constitutional Theory Conference, April 2003  
Nashville, TN  
“The Constitution of Feelings”

Shari‘a in the Contemporary Context Symposium, February 2003  
Yale University, New Haven CT  
“Shari‘a and Islamic Democracy in the Age of al-Jazeera”

Yale Law School Middle East Legal Studies Seminar, January 2003  
Granada, Spain

Association of American Law Schools Annual Conference, January 2003  
Section on Jewish Law; Prophecy and Law, Washington, DC  
“Is the Ideal Legislator a Prophet”

Law & Philosophy Workshop, November 2002  
University of Chicago Law School, Chicago, IL  
“Aristotelian Jihad”

Classical Studies “Just War: From Antiquity to the Present” Symposium,  
October 2002  
New York University, New York, NY  
“Just War in Averroes and Maimonides”

Beyond Separatism: Church and State Symposium, February 2002  
“Non-sectarianism Reconsidered”  
The Journal of Law & Politics  
University of Virginia School of Law, Charlottesville, VA

Islam and America in a Global World Conference, January 2002

New York University School of Law, New York, NY  
“Islam in a Modern World” panel discussion Moderator  
Conference Co-convener

Association of American Law Schools Annual Conference, January 2002  
Section on Law & Religion, New Orleans, LA

Lewis Rudin Distinguished Researcher in Law Lecture, December 2001  
New York University School of Law, New York, NY

Equity and Jewish Law Conference, May 2001  
Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA  
“Aristotelian and Maimonidean Equity”

Yale Law School Middle East Legal Studies Seminar, May 2001  
Malta  
“Democratic Legitimacy and Islamic Constitutionalism: The Question of  
Differential Allocation of Rights”

Conference on Faith-Based Initiatives, March 2001  
University of Chicago Law School, Chicago, IL  
Response to Dr. Diane Winston on History of Salvation Army

Islam & Constitutionalism Conference, April 2000  
Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA  
“The Islamic Constitution and Medieval Political Thought”

Yale Law School Middle East Legal Studies Seminar, May 2000  
Istanbul  
“Religious Pluralism in the Middle East: A Unifying Constitutional Theory”

University of Nottingham Faculty of Law Colloquium, July 1997  
Nottingham, UK  
“Judicial and Legislative Language in Administrative Review: US, UK, EU”