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#### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Professor, Stanford Law School
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#### BOARDS, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Research Associate, National Bureau of Economic Research (1996 - present)

### Teaching

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#### COURSES

##### 2025-26

- Contracts: American Law: LAW 1007 (Win)
- Law and Economics Seminar (A): LAW 7506 (Aut)
- Statistical Inference in Law: LAW 7512 (Aut)

##### 2024-25

- Contracts: LAW 205 (Aut)
- Law and Economics Seminar (A): LAW 7506 (Aut)
- Statistical Inference in Law: LAW 7512 (Win)

##### 2023-24

- Contracts: LAW 205 (Aut)
- Regulating Firearms: LAW 2021 (Win)
- Statistical Inference in Law: LAW 7512 (Win)

##### 2022-23

- Contracts: LAW 205 (Aut)
- Externship, Special Circumstances: LAW 884 (Aut)
- Law and Economics Seminar: ECON 354 (Aut)
- Law and Economics Seminar I: LAW 7506 (Aut)
- Optimal Size and Scope of Government: LAW 7099 (Win)
- Statistical Inference in Law: LAW 7512 (Win)

## STANFORD ADVISEES

### Postdoctoral Faculty Sponsor

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## Publications

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