



Elisabeth Haub School of Law

ELISABETH HAUB SCHOOL OF LAW AT PACE UNIVERSITY NEWS WEEK OF 6/21/2021

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Message from Dean Horace Anderson



Dear Haub Law Community,

I am pleased to announce that Professor Noa Ben-Asher has been appointed as James D. Hopkins Professor of Law for the 2021-2023 term. The title of Hopkins Professor is awarded to a member of the faculty for a two-year term in recognition of outstanding scholarship and teaching and is one of the Law School's most significant faculty honors. During the holder's term, the Hopkins Professor delivers a lecture that is open to the entire Haub Law community and members of the public.

The James D. Hopkins Professor of Law is an endowed chair, established with contributions from alumni of the Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University and members of the legal community in honor of Judge James D. Hopkins, who served as Interim Dean of the Law School from 1982 to 1983. Leslie Y. Garfield Tenzer was the previous Hopkins Professor, and she will deliver her Hopkins lecture on October 6, 2021.

Professor Ben-Asher has excelled in teaching Torts, Family Law, and Sexuality, Gender & the Law, and has frequently published in prestigious journals, including Tulane Law Review, Columbia Journal of Gender and the Law, and others. Before joining the faculty in 2009, Professor Ben-Asher was in the Associate-in-Law program at Columbia Law School (2007-2009). Before that they were a Williams Fellow at the University of California -- Los Angeles School of Law (2006), where they taught at the department of LGBT studies. From 2004-2005, they practiced in the litigation department of Proskauer Rose LLP in New York. They are a graduate of New York University School of Law (LL.M. 2001; JSD 2006), and Bar-Ilan University School of Law (LLB 1999). Professor Ben-Asher was a visiting professor at

Harvard Law School for the academic year 2014-2015, and a visiting professor at Columbia Law School for the academic year 2015-2016.

For more about the James D. Hopkins Professor of Law chair and its past recipients, click [here](#).

Congratulations, Professor Ben-Asher!

Faculty, Staff, and School News



The Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University announced that the 2021 Elisabeth Haub Award for Environmental Law and Diplomacy will be awarded to Ugandan climate justice advocate Vanessa Nakate and Professor Wang Xi, an environmental law scholar and advocate with Kunming University of Science and Technology in China. Read more [here](#).



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On June 21, **Professor Jonathan Brown** presented to the New York City Bar Association's Non-Profit Organizations Committee on the topic of "Charitable Farms and Food Organizations". On June 22, Professor Jonathan Brown participated in a webinar hosted by the American Beekeeping Federation on "Solar Farm Apiaries: Opportunities for Bees and Beekeepers". The webinar, coinciding with National Pollinator Week, was used to launch the model [Solar Beekeeping Contract](#) developed by the Food and Beverage Law Clinic. Clinic students Stephanie Sioufas and Lita Itabete drafted the document, which serves as a template for contracts between solar site operators and beekeepers for the establishment and maintenance of apiaries at solar sites.

Professor Bridget Crawford was quoted in the New York Times article *Is the Forced Contraception Alleged by Britney Spears Legal?* – read [here](#).

Professor Bennett Gershman was featured in the Yahoo news article *How the FBI became the target of a conspiracy theory about the Jan. 6 Capitol riot* – read [here](#).

Professor Randolph McLaughlin was featured in the News12 article *Despite changes, organizations claim roadblocks to police records remain*, read [here](#).

Danielle Shalov, Director, The Amelia A. Gould Representation in Mediation Clinic is speaking on a NYSBA panel "Optimizing You and Your Case For Mediation" on July 8. Learn more and register [here](#).

The Pace Energy and Climate Center conducted a seminar on China's energy and climate policies at the request of the United Kingdom to prepare their government officials for hosting the COP-26 UN Climate Conference to be held in Glasgow in November 2021. UK officials from the across government attended, including the Prime Minister's Cabinet Office and the COP Unit.

On June 16, 2021, **Adjunct Professor Judge Walter Rivera** was elected as President of the statewide Latino Judges Association. He was also appointed by Chief Judge Janet DiFiore to the Chief Judge's Statewide ADR Advisory Committee.

Professor Emily Waldman was one of the primary authors of an amicus brief filed in the Supreme Court case of [Mahanoy Area School District v. B.L.](#), (No. 20-255) (June 23, 2021). The Brief of First Amendment and Education Law Scholars as Amici Curiae Supporting Petitioner is available [here](#).

Alumni



Alumni Benjamin Lowenthal ('13, LLM '14) and Michelle Simard's ('13) son Lyle is pictured above wearing his Haub Law socks!

Jeffrey Deskovic's '19 article *Looking Back: Habeas Corpus – Now More Than Ever*, was featured in a special *Looking Back* section on The Davis Vanguard – read [here](#).

R. Nadine Fontaine is now General Counsel at the Dormitory Authority – State of New York (DASNY).