

#### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

#### Cornell Law School, Ithaca, N.Y.

Visiting Assistant Professor of Law, Jan. 2012 - present

Research derivatives regulation, financial markets, and corporate governance. Taught Business Organizations (Spring 2013, Spring 2014) and seminar on corporate governance (Fall 2012, Fall 2013). Faculty advisor for Cornell Prison Education Program on Business Law (Fall 2013).

#### EDUCATION

Cornell Law School, Ithaca, N.Y.

J.D., cum laude, May 2009

*Cornell Law Review*, Events Coordinator Cornell Moot Court Board, Bench Editor Black Law Students Association

#### Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, MA

B.A., magna cum laude, May 2005 Spanish Language and Literature, Politics Thesis: The Role of Small States in International Affairs: A Caribbean Case Study

#### **TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Core Courses: Business Organizations, Contracts, Securities Regulation, Commercial Law, Corporate Finance, Financial Institutions, Banking Law

Additional Courses: Bankruptcy, International Business Transactions, Financial Regulation in Emerging Markets (Latin America and the Caribbean), Consumer Law

#### PUBLICATIONS

Hazardous Hedging: The (Unacknowledged) Risks of Hedging with Credit Derivatives, 33 REV. BANKING & FIN. L. (2014) (Job Talk Paper). Credit derivatives are considered to be unequivocally beneficial when used to mitigate financial risks. However, even when used to manage risks, or hedge, credit derivatives may expose a firm to new, significant risks that outweigh the benefits of the transaction. Hedge transactions, therefore, should not be routinely exempted from regulatory oversight; rather, they should be limited so as to minimize the these riskiness of transactions on the financial markets. (Available at: http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfin?abstract\_id=2309102)

Private Entities, Public Bulwarks: The Regulation of Too-Big-To-Fail Clearinghouses (work in progress). The linchpin of derivatives regulation under the Dodd-Frank Act is the increased use of clearinghouses to minimize counterparty credit risk. As the role of these institutions has expanded, so has their systemic importance, making them the newest members of the too-big-to-fail club. The success of clearinghouses, therefore, will depend on the development of a governance and management framework that enables them to fulfill their significant role of protecting the public markets, without themselves becoming an unmanageable source of risk.

## **PROFESSIONAL LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, Washington, D.C.

Associate Attorney, Oct. 2009 – Jan. 2012

Summer Associate, May 2008 – Aug. 2008

Advised public and private companies with regard to securities law compliance and corporate governance matters. Counseled clients regarding the impact and implications of the Dodd-Frank Act on their derivative transactions.

Ministry of Justice, Office of the Parliamentary Counsel, Kingston, Jamaica

*Extern*, Sept. 2008 – Dec. 2008 Assisted in preparing draft legislation regarding criminal, educational, and financial laws.

## Perkins Coie, Phoenix, AZ

Summer Associate, May 2007 – Aug. 2007

Researched topics such as libel, the Fair Labor Standards Act, and protective orders. Drafted memoranda, pleadings, and client communication letters.

## **SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS**

Hazardous Hedging: The (Unacknowledged) Risks of Hedging with Credit Derivatives

- □ Lutie A. Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Writing Workshop, University of Nevada Las Vegas Law School (June 2013)
- □ Junior Faculty Workshop in Financial Services Law, University of Connecticut School of Law (June 2013)
- □ Emerging Scholars Workshop, Duke Law School (May 2013)
- □ New Voices in Financial Regulation, Cornell Law School (Sept. 2012)

# **BAR ADMISSION**

Admitted to the Bars of New York and the District of Columbia

## **REFERENCES**

## Academic

Lynn Stout, Distinguished Professor of Corporate & Business Law, Cornell Law School (607) 255-8431, ls483@cornell.edu

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Jeffrey J. Rachlinski, Professor of Law, Cornell Law School (607) 255-5878, jjr7@cornell.edu

Sheri Lynn Johnson, James and Mark Flanagan Professor of Law, Cornell Law School (607) 227-1304, slj8@cornell.edu

## Professional

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