

DAVID E. SELLA-VILLA

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EDUCATION

William & Mary Law School, *Juris Doctor* - Williamsburg, VA May 2009
Honors: **Editor-in-Chief**, *William & Mary Environmental Law and Policy Review*
Moot Court, Regent University Tournament: 2nd Place, 5th Best Brief
Graduate Research Fellow, Research Assistant to Christie Warren

London School of Economics, *M.Sc. European Political Economy: Integration* Dec. 2006

West Virginia University, *B.A. International Studies & B.S. Economics* - Morgantown, WV May 2005
Honors: Foundation Scholarship (Full Academic), University Honors Scholar, Phi Beta Kappa

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Primary – Data Privacy, Cybersecurity, Artificial Intelligence, Law & Technology, and Contracts
Other – Commercial Law, Securities, and Regulated Industries

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Joseph F. Rice School of Law, University of South Carolina, Assistant Professor July 2024 - Present
• Hired to teach law and technology classes, e.g. Data Privacy, Cybersecurity, Artificial Intelligence
• Works closely with the TechInLaw Collaborative, developing tech law programming in the community
• Faculty Associate, Walker Institute of International and Area Studies

Joseph F. Rice School of Law, University of South Carolina, Adjunct Faculty Aug. 2021 – May 2024
• Teach a three-credit course entitled “Data Privacy,” covering theoretical foundations, U.S. and international data privacy regimes, and emerging topics
• Designed the course; obtained approval for its creation through the administrative review processes.
• Advise students in Student Led Research (SLR) focusing on emerging issues in law & technology.
• Creating a course on the Law of Cloud Computing to be taught to students across multiple disciplines.

William & Mary Law School, Adjunct Faculty - Williamsburg, VA Aug. 2013 – May 2023
• Created & teach a seminar course called “Complex Transactions in Regulated Industries,” focused on aviation transactions, but offering a framework for transactions in other industries
• Designed & taught a 2L Transactional Practice & legal drafting course in the Legal Practice program.
• Supervised and assisted other adjunct faculty to implement the Transactional Practice curriculum.
• Instructed 1L’s in oral presentations, client interviewing & counseling, negotiations, & oral arguments.

PUBLICATIONS

Law Review Articles in Publication

The Third-Party Privacy Problem, 27 N.C. J. OF L. & TECH. 411 (2026)

Selected, after submission, for the Symposium Issue on Data Privacy (Feb. 2026)

Invited Presentation, *AI, Ethics & the Law*, Loyola University Chicago School of Law

Privacy Law Scholars Conference (May 2025) (competitively selected)

Democracy Works in Progress, Michigan State University School of Law (Apr. 2025)

New Scholarship in EU Law Panel, AALS Annual Meeting (Jan. 2025)

Privacy Law Scholars Conference – Europe (Oct. 2024) (competitively selected)

<https://papers.ssrn.com/abstract=5282541>

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Regulating AI as a Person?, 33 MICH. ST. INT'L L. REV. (Forthcoming 2026)

Invited Symposium Article, <https://papers.ssrn.com/abstract=5919967>

Privacy in the Age of Active Sensors, 92 UMKC L. REV. 67 (2023)

Co-Author with Michael E. Hodgson, Ph.D., <https://papers.ssrn.com/abstract=4346211>

Waitlisted for the 2023 Privacy Law Scholars Conference

Drones and Data: A Limited Impact on Privacy, 55 U. RICH. L. REV. 991 (2021)

https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3532510

Gently Modified Operations: How Environmental Concerns Addressed through Customs Procedures Can Successfully Resolve the US-EU GMO Dispute, 33 WM. & MARY ENVTL. L. & POL'Y REV. 971 (2009)

https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3850387

Works in Progress

Disloyalty by AI

- Pitched to Sh[AI]rk Tank (June 2025)

- Invited Visiting Scholar Presentation, Elon University School of Law (Jan. 29, 2026)

- Accepted for Privacy Law Scholar's Conference 2026

Artificial Intelligence and Privacy Law in Conflict

Old Scams, New Gimmicks

Privacy's Federalism Problem

Other Publications

Leader, Drafting Team, *Draft Commentary on Legislative Guidance: A Safe Harbor for AI Hiring Tools*, THE SEDONA CONFERENCE WORKING GROUP 11 (Unpublished, May 2026)

State-Level AI Regulation, in MASTERING ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (Jon M. Garon ed., Forthcoming 2026), <https://papers.ssrn.com/abstract=6075948>

How Internet of Things devices affect your privacy – even when they're not yours, THE CONVERSATION (June 24, 2025), <https://theconversation.com/how-internet-of-things-devices-affect-your-privacy-even-when-theyre-not-yours-251592>.

Leader, Drafting Team, *Artificial Intelligence Statutory Guidance*, THE SEDONA CONFERENCE WORKING GROUP 11 (Unpublished, May 2025)

Leader, Brainstorming Group, *Artificial Intelligence*, THE SEDONA CONFERENCE WORKING GROUP 11 (Unpublished, October 2024)

Brainstorming Group Member, *Online Tracking*, THE SEDONA CONFERENCE WORKING GROUP 11 (Unpublished, May 2024)

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Drafting Group Member, *Commentary on Proposed Model Data Breach Notification Law*, THE SEDONA CONFERENCE WORKING GROUP 11 (Jul. 2023), <https://thesedonaconference.org/node/10336>

Ownership of the Self in the New NBA CBA, U.S.C. SPORTS & ENT. L. SOC'Y BLOG (May 2, 2023), https://www.sc.edu/study/colleges_schools/law/student_life/student_organizations/sports_and_entertainment/index.php

The COVID-19 Pandemic One Year On: Finding Balance Between Privacy and Public Health, 77 BUS. LAW. 237 (2022), <https://papers.ssrn.com/abstract=3917827>

Brainstorming Group Member, *Commentary Advisability of Adopting a Strict Liability Regime for Data Breaches Involving Personal Information*, THE SEDONA CONFERENCE WORKING GROUP 11 (Unpublished, Oct. 2021)

Brainstorming Group Member, *Commentary on Impact of Pandemic Response on Global Privacy*, THE SEDONA CONFERENCE WORKING GROUP 11 (Unpublished, Oct. 2021)

International Data Privacy Laws (excluding the US, EU, and Canada), in DIRECTOR'S TECHNOLOGY HANDBOOK 85 (Candace M. Jones, ed., 2021) (available upon request)

Contracting with Vendors for Information Security and Resiliency, in DIRECTOR'S TECHNOLOGY HANDBOOK 131 (Candace M. Jones, ed., 2021) (available upon request)

State-level Statutes Governing Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Use in Academic Research in the United States, Co-Author with Michael E. Hodgson, Ph.D., 42 INT'L J. OF REMOTE SENSING 5366, no. 14 (2021), <https://papers.ssrn.com/abstract=3850278>

Brainstorming Group Member, *Commentary on "Risk of Harm" Exception in Data Breach Notification Law*, THE SEDONA CONFERENCE WORKING GROUP 11 (Unpublished, Apr. 2021)

An Early Evaluation of the Privacy Impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic, 76 BUS. LAW. 261 (2021), <https://papers.ssrn.com/abstract=3850383>

EU Advocate General: Schrems Can't Bring Class Action Against Facebook, BUS. L. TODAY: MONTH-IN-BRIEF: INTERNET LAW & CYBER-SECURITY (July 2017), <https://businesslawtoday.org/month-in-brief/december-brief-internet-law-cyber-security-2017/>

Reauthorization of FISA Section 702 & Privacy Implications, ABA CYBERSPACE L. NEWSL. (Dec. 2017) (available upon request)

NAIC Proposes Insurance Data Model Security Law, ABA CYBERSPACE L. NEWSL. (Dec. 2017) (available upon request)

Brainstorming Group Member, *Legal Issues in Cloud Computing*, THE SEDONA CONFERENCE WORKING GROUP 11 (Unpublished, Sept. 2017)

Joshua Hinson & David Sella-Villa, *Searches in Schools*, in SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER MANUAL (S.C. Bar Young Law. Div. eds., 2017) (available upon request)

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Eric Boughman, Sara Beth A.R. Kohut, David Sella-Villa, and Michael V. Silvestro, “*Alexa, Do You Have Rights?*”: *Legal Issues Posed by Voice-Controlled Devices and the Data They Create*, 2017 BUS. L. TODAY 1 (July 2017), <https://businesslawtoday.org/2017/07/alexa-do-you-have-rights-legal-issues-posed-by-voice-controlled-devices-and-the-data-they-create>

Co-Editor, *International Trade*, 51 ABA/SIL YIR (2017)

Co-Editor, *International Trade*, 50 ABA/SIL YIR 85 (2016)

PRESENTATIONS

Invited CLE Presentation, *Disloyalty by AI*, Virgin Islands Bar Association Midyear Meeting (Virtual) (June 26, 2026)

Invited Speaker, *Ethical Obligations of Lawyers When Facing Challenges Presented by Generative AI* Carolina Patent, Trademark & Copyright Law Association (CPTCLA) Spring Meeting, Charlotte, N.C. (May 15, 2026)

Panel Presentation with Justin Donoho, Doug Meal, and Jon Polenber, *Legislative Drafting Considerations: Lessons from Colorado’s Privacy and AI Law Intersection*, Sedona Conference Working Group 11 Annual Meeting, Kansas City, MO (May 6, 2026)

Invited Speaker, *Attribution: Cybersecurity and AI Perspectives*, Symposium - Code and Consequence: Where AI Meets Cybersecurity, Journal of Law, Technology, and the Internet (JOLTI), Case Western Reserve University School of Law, (Online) Cleveland, OH (Apr. 10, 2026)

Ethics CLE Presentation, *Disloyalty by AI*, Joseph F. Rice School of Law at University of South Carolina: LegalTech Seminar Series, Columbia, S.C. (Apr. 9, 2026)

Organizer, *Screening of Werner Herzog’s - Theater of Thought*, TechInLaw Collaborative & Humanities Collaborative, Joseph F. Rice School of Law at University of South Carolina, Columbia, S.C. (Mar. 18, 2026)

Guest Lecture, *ISCI 201 - Data Information and Society: Data Privacy & IoT*, University of South Carolina, Columbia, S.C., invited by Prof. Jenna Spiering (Mar. 2, 2026)

Invited Speaker, *The Third-Party Privacy Problem*, Symposium on Data Privacy in the Age of Emerging Technologies, UNC Journal of Law & Technology, University of North Carolina School of Law, Chappel Hill, N.C. (Feb. 20, 2026)

Panel Moderator, *AI: Expert Lawyer and Physician?*, AI Ethics in Medicine & Law Symposium, Joseph F. Rice School of Law at University of South Carolina, Columbia, S.C. (Jan. 9, 2026)

Guest Lecture, *Transportation Law: Data Privacy and Automated Vehicles*, Joseph F. Rice School of Law at University of South Carolina, Columbia, S.C., invited by Prof. Bryant Walker Smith (2024-2025)

Invited Speaker, *Ethics of Generative AI in Administrative Law*, South Carolina Administrative and Regulatory Law Association (SCAARLA) Annual Meeting, Columbia, S.C. (Oct. 24, 2025)

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Invited Speaker, *Ethical Obligations of Lawyers When Facing Challenges Presented by Generative AI*, 2025 Richland County Bar Association Annual Ethics CLE, Columbia, S.C. (Oct. 24, 2025)

Guest Lecture, *AI, Ethics, and the Law: The Third Party Privacy Problem*, Loyola University Chicago School of Law, Online, invited by Prof. Charlotte Tschider (Oct. 22, 2025)

Invited Speaker, *Estate Planning Ethics of AI*, Joseph F. Rice School of Law at University of South Carolina Estate Planning Conference, Columbia, S.C. (Oct. 10, 2025)

Invited Speaker, *Challenges Presented By Hiring Platforms Under Both AI Policies and Privacy Law*, IAPP KnowledgeNet, Columbia, S.C. (Oct. 9, 2025)

Jewish Art & Dutch Data: How Opening of the Dutch National Archives from 1945 Has Changed the Process of Returning Looted Art to Jewish Families, Loblolly Society, Columbia, S.C. (Oct. 7, 2025)

Invited Speaker, *Ethical Obligations of Lawyers When Facing Challenges Presented by Generative AI*, University of South Carolina Health and Legal Justice Conference, Columbia, S.C. (Oct. 3, 2025)

Guest Lecture with Gary Moore, *Technology & Professional Responsibility*, Joseph F. Rice School of Law at University of South Carolina, Columbia, S.C., invited by Profs. Chambliss & Lane-Steele (2024-2025)

Invited Panel Member, *Current Trends in Emerging Technologies and the Law from an International, Comparative, and Domestic Perspective*, Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS) 2025 Annual Conference, Fernandina Beach, FL (July 29, 2025)

Invited Panel Member, *Current Trends in Corporate Governance, Corporate Democracy, Business, Human Rights, Sustainable Development, Technology Governance, and ESG*, Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS) 2025 Annual Conference, Fernandina Beach, FL (July 28, 2025)

Jewish Art & Dutch Data: How Opening of the Dutch National Archives from 1945 Has Changed the Process of Returning Looted Art to Jewish Families, Tree of Life Lunch & Learn Series, Columbia, S.C. (June 27, 2025)

Invited Speaker, *Public Sky, Private Property: What Recent Legal Developments Mean for Drone Operations*, SCiDUC Annual Symposium, Columbia, S.C. (June 11, 2025)

Panel Presentation with Katherine Bandy, John Polenber, Brian Ray, and Katy Ruckle, *Artificial Intelligence Statutory Guidance*, Sedona Conference Working Group 11 Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA (May 7, 2025)

Invited Symposium Speaker, *Regulating AI as a Person: Lessons from International Law*, Michigan State International Law Review Symposium, East Lansing, MI (Feb. 21, 2025)

Presentation with Gary Moore, *A.I. King Cake – What's Inside is Not a Baby*, South Carolina Black Lawyers Association Annual Virtual Conference (Jan. 31, 2025)

Panel Presentation with Prof. Nathan Crystal, Prof. Michael Virzi, and Marilyn Gartley, *The Legal Landscape's Use of Generative AI: Understanding Ethical Rules & Responsibilities*, South Carolina Bar Convention, Columbia, S.C. (Jan. 16, 2025)

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Moderator of Panel Discussion with Charles Howard, Colton Driver, and Gary Moore, *Is Cybersecurity Insurance Necessary for Your Small Business?*, Family & Small Business Program, Joseph F. Rice School of Law at the University of South Carolina, Columbia, S.C. (Sept. 17, 2024)

Panel Presentation with Adam Anderson, Nancy Conwell, and Sachin Patel, *Beyond the Hype: Real Threats and Facts of AI and Cybersecurity*, SC Decoded 2024, North Augusta, S.C. (Sept. 11, 2024)

Ethics CLE Presentation, *Ethical Obligations of Lawyers When Facing Challenges Presented by Generative AI*, Joseph F. Rice School of Law at University of South Carolina: LegalTech Seminar Series, Columbia, S.C. (July 25, 2024)

Discussion Leader, *Bridging the Gap Between Legal and Computer Science Definitions of Personally Identifiable Information*, by Scott Jordan, 2024 Privacy Law Scholars Conference, Washington, D.C., (May 31, 2024)

Panel Presentation with Melissa Dalziel, Anya Korylov, Julian Ackert, and John Polenber, *Outline Discussion Artificial Intelligence Brainstorming Group*, Sedona Conference Working Group 11 Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN (May 3, 2024)

Invited Speaker, *Data Privacy: Overview of U.S. Approaches*, U.S. Department of State & IVLP, Strengthening Cybersecurity Conference, Columbia, S.C. (Apr. 15, 2024)

Panel Presentation with Bob Siegel, Ben Siegel, and Keith Voorheis, *Building a Culture of Privacy in an Organization*, Privacy & Security Forum 2023, Washington, D.C. (Nov. 10, 2023)

Invited Speaker, *Data Privacy: Overview of U.S. Approaches*, U.S. Department of State & Columbia Counsel for Internationals, Strengthening Cybersecurity Conference, Columbia, S.C. (Oct. 30, 2023)

Guest Lecture, *University 101: Cyber Policy & Ethics – Data Privacy*, University of South Carolina, Walker Institute of International and Area Studies, invited by Jodi Salter (Sept. 20, 2023)

Ethics CLE Presentation with Alex White, *Ethics and Judgment Calls: Understanding Anti-Money Laundering (AML), Data Privacy, and Beneficial Ownership Registries*, University of South Carolina School of Law: LegalTech Seminar Series, Columbia, S.C. (Sept. 20, 2023)

Discussion Leader, *Roundtable Discussion: Privacy*, South Carolina Information Technology Directors Association (SCITDA) 2023 Fall Leadership Meeting, Columbia, S.C. (Sept. 19, 2023)

Presenter, *Data Classification: Advancing Privacy, Security and Compliance*, South Carolina Information Technology Directors Association (SCITDA) 2023 Fall Leadership Meeting, Columbia, S.C. (Sept. 18, 2023)

Discussion Leader, *Privacy and democratic architecture*, by Artur Pericles L. Monteiro, 2023 Privacy Law Scholars Conference, Boulder, Colo., (June 1, 2023)

CLE Presentation, *Privacy for S.C. State Government Lawyers*, South Carolina Attorney General's Office, Columbia, S.C. (Apr. 28, 2023)

Guest Lecture, *ISP 382: Data Privacy – In Theory & Practice*, University of Texas at Austin, School of Information and Center for Identity, invited by Adjunct Professor Michael Wyatt (Apr. 21, 2023)

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CLE Panel Moderator, *Digital Assets*, University of South Carolina School of Law: LegalTech Seminar Series, Columbia, S.C. (Feb. 24, 2023)

Guest Lecture, *LAW 428: An IoT Legal Analysis - Active Sensors & the Privacy Problems They Pose*, William & Mary Law School, invited by Prof. Iria Giuffrida (Feb. 16, 2023)

CLE Presentation, *Privacy Notices and Privacy Policies*, 2023 S.C. Data Privacy Day, Columbia, S.C. (Jan. 13, 2023)

Presenter, *Drone Privacy Basics*, 2022 Winter Meeting, S.C. Interagency Drone Users Consortium (SCi-DUC), Columbia, S.C. (Nov. 16, 2022)

Guest Lecture, *GEOG 285: State Drone Laws*, University of South Carolina, Department of Geography, invited by Dr. Grayson Morgan (Sept. 29, 2022)

Accepted Presenter, *Case Study of National Press Photographers Association v. McCraw*, 4th Ann. Symp. on Applications of Contextual Integrity (PrivaCI) (Sept. 23, 2022) (unable to attend for personal reasons)

Discussion Leader, *Taking Emergence Seriously in Law and Technology Regulation*, by Samson Esayas, 2022 Privacy Law Scholars Conference, Boston, Mass., (June 3, 2022)

CLE Presentation with Jack Pringle and Rick Oppedisano, *Letting Go: Some Reasons to Consider Getting a Handle on the Information You Collect and Share*, University of South Carolina School of Law: Legaltech Seminar Series, Columbia, S.C. (Mar. 24, 2022)

CLE Presentation, *Working with a Privacy Mindset*, 2022 S.C. Data Privacy Day, Columbia, S.C. (Jan. 28, 2022)

Guest Lecture, *GEOG 285: State Drone Laws*, University of South Carolina, Department of Geography, invited by Michael E. Hodgson, Ph.D. (Feb. 22, 2021)

CLE Presentation with Michael E. Hodgson, Ph.D., Jennifer Wells, and Sallie Williams, *Parsing Drone Data: Developing a Resilient Management Model for Drones and Other Novel Technologies*, ABA Business Law Section Virtual Annual Meeting (Sept. 23, 2020)

CLE Presentation, *Drones and Privacy: Seeking a Model for Understanding Novel Technologies*, University of South Carolina School of Law: Legaltech Seminar Series, Columbia, S.C. (Sept. 16, 2020)

Presentation, *So, What Do I Do Now? Thoughts on Bringing Drone Data into the Workplace*, Information Technology Professionals of South Carolina, Columbia, S.C. (Jan. 21, 2020)

CLE Presentation with Alex White, *European Union's General Data Protection Regulation*, South Carolina Attorney General's Office, Columbia, S.C. (Nov. 16, 2018)

Presentation, *Privacy Issues in Higher Ed: Views from the Bursar's Office*, S.C. State Bursars Meeting, Winthrop University, Rock Hill, S.C. (Mar. 28, 2018)

CLE Presentation, *Intelligent Eavesdropping: Privacy and Legal Issues Raised by Digital Personal Assistants and AI Device Connected to the IoT*, 2018 S.C. Data Privacy Day, Columbia, S.C. (Jan. 30, 2018)

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CLE Presentation with Eric Boughman, Sara Beth A.R. Kohut, and Michael V. Silvestro, *Intelligent Eavesdropping: Privacy and Legal Issues Raised by Digital Personal Assistants and AI Device Connected to the IoT*, ABA 2018 Cyberspace Law Institute and Winter Working Meeting, Atlanta, Ga. (Jan. 27, 2018)

CLE Presentation with Eric Boughman, Sara Beth A.R. Kohut, G. McCulley, H. Runesha, Ph.D., and Michael V. Silvestro, *Intelligent Eavesdropping: Privacy and Legal Issues Raised by Digital Personal Assistants and AI Device Connected to the Internet of Things*, 2017 ABA Business Law Annual Meeting, Chicago, Il. (Sept. 16, 2017)

CLE Presentation with Alex White, *Information Privacy – Contracting for Privacy & Future Privacy Class Actions*, South Carolina Attorney General’s Office, Columbia, S.C. (Aug. 18, 2017)

Guest Lecture, *LAW 497: International Trade Law – International Traffic in Arms*, William & Mary Law School, invited by The Honorable Judith Barzilay (Fall 2013 & Fall 2014)

CONFERENCE ORGANIZER

Junior Scholars Mentorship Pre-Conference, 2026 Privacy Law Scholars Conference, Bloomington, IN, organized with other members of the PLSC Junior Scholars Council and the PPC Membership Committee (May 27, 2026)

Privacy as Trust, 2024 South Carolina Data Privacy Day Seminar, Columbia, S.C., Feb. 2, 2024

Privacy at the Point of Contact, 2023 South Carolina Data Privacy Day Seminar, Columbia, S.C., Jan. 13, 2023

Empower. Educate. Engage., 2022 South Carolina Data Privacy Day Seminar, Columbia, S.C., Jan. 28, 2022

MEDIA ACTIVITY

Interviewed for – Deric Rush, *South Carolina DMV collected nearly \$100 million selling driver data over five years, records show*, WIS 10 (May 4, 2026), <https://www.wistv.com/2026/05/04/south-carolina-dmv-collected-nearly-100-million-selling-driver-data-over-five-years-records-show/>

Interviewed for - Jessica Holdman, *With bad AI in courtrooms increasing, SC chief justice joins states giving guidance*, S.C. DAILY GAZETTE (Sep. 3, 2025), <https://scdailygazette.com/2025/09/03/with-use-of-ai-increasing-sc-chief-justice-joins-states-giving-orders-on-its-use-in-courtrooms/>

Interviewed for – Lucy Valeski, *SC AI Laws may be cut for a decade under Fed budget bill. Here are affected laws*, THE STATE (June 26, 2025), <https://thestate.com/news/politics-government/article309338680.html>

Interviewed for – Colin Wood and Keely Quinlan, *Creating a culture: How state privacy officers hope to rebuild public trust*, STATESCOOP (Feb. 16, 2023), <https://statescoop.com/privacy-culture-state-government-public-trust/>

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Presentation & Interview with Michael E. Hodgson, Ph.D. for – *SCi-CAST #008: State and Local Regulatory Issues for Drone Pilots*, S.C. INTERAGENCY DRONE USERS CONSORTIUM (SCi-DUC) (Nov. 2021), <https://www.sciduc.org/sci-cast>

Interviewed for – *Podcast Episode #4: Tips and Strategies for Advising Corporate Directors on Technology Issues*, 2021 ABA BUS. L. VIRTUAL SPRING MEETING DAILY PODCASTS (Apr. 22, 2021), https://www.americanbar.org/groups/business_law/events_cle/spring_2021/daily-podcasts/thursday/

Presentation & Interview for – *SCi-CAST #002: Drones and Privacy*, S.C. INTERAGENCY DRONE USERS CONSORTIUM (SCi-DUC) (Sept. 2020), <https://www.sciduc.org/sci-cast>

OTHER PROFESSIONAL LEGAL EXPERIENCE

South Carolina Enterprise Privacy Office, Chief Privacy Officer - Columbia, SC Mar. 2021 – June 2024

SC Department of Administration, Assistant General Counsel - Columbia, SC Apr. 2016 – Jan. 2023

Tempus Applied Solutions - Tempus Jets, General Counsel - Williamsburg, VA Jan. 2012 – Apr. 2016

Global Flight Relief – Tempus Jets, General Counsel - Williamsburg, VA Aug. 2012 – Apr. 2016

DE Sella-Villa Esq., PLLC, Solo Practitioner - Williamsburg, VA Oct. 2010 – Present

General Assembly of Virginia, Staff Attorney - Richmond, VA July – Oct. 2010

Various Law Firms, Contract Attorney - Richmond, VA Aug. 2009 – Dec. 2011

Baker & McKenzie, LLP, Summer Associate - New York, NY Summer 2008

- Accepted Permanent Offer as Associate, but the firm deferred and rescinded it due to the economy.

U.S. Court of International Trade, Chambers of the Honorable Donald C. Pogue, Intern Summer 2007

OTHER TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Legal Externship Supervisor, Various Organizations Jan. 2014 – Dec. 2023

University of Phoenix, Virginia Campuses, Adjunct Faculty Nov. 2010 – May 2015

Kaplan Test Prep, LSAT Instructor - Columbia, SC Oct. 2016 – May 2020

COMMUNITY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Service to Universities

Elected Member, Faculty Senate, University of South Carolina (August 2026 – May 2029)

Contributor, *Artificial Intelligence Policy Manual*, University of South Carolina (April – August 2026)

Invited Member, *Search Committee: Director of AI Ethics & Law Initiative*, Joseph F. Rice School of Law, University of South Carolina (March – May 2026)

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Faculty Advisor, 1L Advising Group, Joseph F. Rice School of Law, University of South Carolina (2025-2026)

Member, *2026 MLK Celebration Event Planning Committee*, Joseph F. Rice School of Law, University of South Carolina (Jan. 15, 2026)

Member, *Library and Technology Committee*, Joseph F. Rice School of Law, University of South Carolina (2025-2026)

- developing guidance for integration of generative AI into law school courses
- testing AI detection techniques & technologies through controlled simulations

Application Reviewer, *University of South Carolina Collaborative for Health Equity Research (USC-CHEER)* (April – May 2025)

Organizer, *Abstract Workshop for Law Review Submissions*, Joseph F. Rice School of Law, University of South Carolina (Jan. 17, 2025)

Nominated Member, *Emerging Technologies Committee*, University of South Carolina (Jan. 17, 2025)

Co-PI with Michael Stoelzner & Jeffrey Turner (Department of Philosophy), *Proposal for Course Development – Regulating Disruptive Technologies*, McCausland Innovation Fund Grant Application (Submitted Dec. 2025, Negative Decision Jan. 2025)

Member, *2025 MLK Celebration Event Planning Committee*, Joseph F. Rice School of Law, University of South Carolina (Jan. 16, 2025)

Member, *Library and Technology Committee*, Joseph F. Rice School of Law, University of South Carolina (2024-2025)

- leading efforts of the Artificial Intelligence Subcommittee

Propel AI Scholar, University of South Carolina (2024-2025)

- Member of the inaugural cohort of this University-wide faculty development program.

Contributor to National Science Foundation Grant Application, *Subject Matter Expert on Privacy Curriculum for Central Carolina Community College Application for Advanced Technical Education Program for Unmanned Aircraft Systems Certificate Programs*, Clemson University, invited by Joe Burgett, Ph.D. (June 2023)

Submission Reviewer, *2023 International Conference on Unmanned Aircraft Systems*, University of South Carolina, Department of Mechanical Engineering, invited by Nikolaos Vitzilaos, Ph.D. (Mar. 2023)

Member, *Cybersecurity and Information Privacy Graduate Program Advisory Committee*, University of South Carolina, invited by Assistant Dean Gary Moore (since Feb. 2023)

Faculty Advisor, *Sports and Entertainment Law Society*, University of South Carolina School of Law, (since Aug. 2022)

Scholarly Service

Steering Committee Member, *Sedona Conference Working Group 11 on Data Security and Privacy Liability* (May 2026 – May 2029)

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Expert Consultant, Joint Base Charleston (Air Force & Air National Guard), *UAS Policies and Proposed Legislation* (since November 2025)

Chapter Reviewer on U.S. Privacy Law, BART VAN DER SLOOT & CÉSAR AUGUSTO FONTANILLO LÓPEZ, *THE PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE OF EUROPEAN DATA REGULATION* (Nov. – Dec. 2025) (forthcoming 2026)

Inaugural Chair, Junior Scholars Council, *Privacy Law Scholars Conference* (since July 2025)

Professional Organizations

Member, <i>Sedona Conference, Working Group 11, Data Security & Privacy Liability</i>	May 2016 to Present
Member, <i>South Carolina Interagency Drone Users Consortium</i>	May 2020 to Present
Member, <i>South Carolina Bar Association – Judicial Qualifications Committee</i>	May 2016 to July 2021
Member, <i>American Bar Association – Business Law Section</i>	Jan. 2012 to 2023
Member, <i>American Bar Association – Cyberspace Law Committee</i>	May 2016 to 2023

Community Organizations

Tree of Life Congregation, Columbia, SC

Board Member 2018-2020, led the Rabbi Search & Ritual Committees

Produced pre-recorded 2020 High Holiday Services

CrossFit Soda City, Columbia, SC, CrossFit Level 1 Trainer, coaching Aug. 2019 – Mar. 2024

Loblolly Society, Columbia, SC, Since May 2024

Representative Pro Bono Legal Services

Assisting abused women successfully apply for independent immigration status.

Developing estate plans for families with undocumented members.

Assisting non-profits in forming, drafting organizational documents, and applying for 501(c)(3) status.

Aiding small businesses in dealing with sales, product liability, tax planning, and contract review.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Italian – Advanced *Spanish* – Intermediate *French* – Intermediate *German* – Basic

BAR ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania Oct. 2009

Virginia Apr. 2010

South Carolina Nov. 2015

OTHER PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS

Certified Information Privacy Professional / United States (CIPP/US) (Aug. 2017)

Security Certification: Law of Data Security & Investigations (GLEG) (Feb. 2018)

Certified Information Privacy Professional / Europe (CIPP/E) (Dec. 2019)

Certified Information Privacy Manager (CIPM) (Oct. 2020)

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