HANNAH BLOCH-WEHBA
Texas A&M University School of Law
1515 Commerce Street, Fort Worth, TX 76102

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Texas A&M University School of Law, Fort Worth, TX
Professor of Law 2024–present
Associate Professor of Law 2020–2024
Courses: Constitutional Law, Criminal Procedure (Investigations), First Amendment, Internet Law

Brooklyn Law School, Brooklyn, NY Spring 2026
Visiting Professor of Law
Courses: Criminal Procedure (Investigations), Internet Law

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ Fall 2025
Microsoft Visiting Professor, Center for Information Technology Policy

Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ 2024–2025
Alfred Landecker Member, School of Social Science

Drexel University, Thomas R. Kline School of Law, Philadelphia, PA
Assistant Professor of Law 2018–2020
Courses: Criminal Procedure (Investigations), First Amendment, Internet Law

Yale Law School, New Haven, CT
Clinical Lecturer in Law & Stanton Foundation First Amendment Fellow 2016–2018
Course: Media Freedom & Information Access Clinic

EDUCATION

New York University School of Law, New York, NY
J.D. 2013
Institute of International Law & Justice/Law & Security Scholar
full tuition merit scholarship
Journal of International Law and Politics, Senior Articles Editor
Privacy Research Group, Member

University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX
B.A., History and Plan II Honors, *High Honors* 2009
Dean's Distinguished Graduate, College of Liberal Arts (top 12 students in class)
Phi Beta Kappa, early election

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Informational Policing (in progress)

Lessons for Tech Regulation from Surveillance and National Security
10 GEO L. TECH. REV. (forthcoming 2027)

An End to the Deregulatory First Amendment?
95 FORDHAM L. REV. ONLINE (forthcoming 2026)

How Tech Took Over
92 BROOK. L. REV. (forthcoming 2026)
- Selected through anonymous review for 2026 Privacy Law Scholars Conference

The Public Interest in Private Science
ANNALS OF THE AM. ACAD. POL. & SOC. SCI (forthcoming 2026)

Regulating Social Media in the Shadow of the First Amendment, in REGULATION IN A TURBULENT ERA (Daniel Walters and Cary Coglianese eds., forthcoming 2025).

Rights, Transparency, and Capture in the Datafied State, in TRADE SECRECY IN DATA AND DATA INFRASTRUCTURES (Christopher Morten, Katherine Strandburg, and Rochelle Dreyfuss eds., forthcoming 2026).

PUBLICATIONS

Information Law Pluralism
101 IND. L.J. 699 (2026)
- Selected through anonymous review for 2025 Privacy Law Scholars Conference

The Promise and Perils of Tech Whistleblowing
118 NW. U. L. REV. 1503 (2024)
- Selected through anonymous review for 2023 Privacy Law Scholars Conference

The Ideology of Press Freedom
14 U.C. IRVINE L. REV. 1 (2024)
- Selected through anonymous review for 2023 Harvard/Yale/Stanford Junior Faculty Forum and 2021 Media Law & Policy Scholars Conference

A Public Technology Option
86 L. & CONTEMP. PROBS. 223 (2023)

Algorithmic Governance from the Bottom Up
48 B.Y.U. L. REV. 69 (2022)
- Selected through anonymous review for 2021 Privacy Law Scholars Conference and 2021 Michigan Law Junior Scholars Conference

Content Moderation as Surveillance
36 BERKELEY J. L. & TECH. 1297 (2021)

Visible Policing: Technology, Transparency, and Democratic Control
109 CALIF. L. REV. 917 (2021)
- Selected through anonymous review for 2020 Stanford/Harvard/Yale Junior Faculty Forum

Automation in Moderation
53 CORNELL INT'L L.J. 41 (2020)
- Reviewed in Annemarie Bridy, *Moderation's Excess*, JOTWELL (2020)

Access to Algorithms
88 FORDHAM L. REV. 1265 (2020)
- Winner, SEALS Annual Meeting Call-For-Papers Award (2020)
- Reviewed in Tom Simmons, *Medicaid Algorithmic Opacity and a Transparent Solution*, JOTWELL (2020)

Global Platform Governance: Private Power in the Shadow of the State
72 SMU L. REV. 27 (2019)
- Featured on Ipse Dixit podcast

Exposing Secret Searches: A First Amendment Right of Access to Electronic Surveillance Orders
93 WASH. L. REV. 145 (2018)

Process Without Procedure: National Security Letters and First Amendment Rights
39 SUFFOLK U. L. REV. 367 (2016)

Confronting Totalitarianism at Home: The Roots of European Privacy Protections
40 BROOK. INT'L L.J. 749 (2015)

Global Governance in the Information Age: The Terrorist Finance Tracking Program
Note, 45 N.Y.U. J. INT'L L. & POL. 595 (2012)

BOOK CHAPTERS AND SHORTER WORKS

A Fourth Amendment Press Clause, in NATIONAL SECURITY, JOURNALISM, AND LAW IN AN AGE OF INFORMATION WARFARE (Marc Ambinder, Jennifer R. Henrichsen, and Connie Rosati eds., Oxford UP, 2024)

Policing Press Freedom
Knight First Amendment Institute at Columbia University Essay Series on the Future of Press Freedom (2024)

The Rise, Fall, and Rise of Cyber Civil Libertarianism, in FEMINIST CYBERLAW (Amanda Levendowski & Meg Leta Jones eds., UC Press, 2024)

Transparency's AI Problem
Knight First Amendment Institute at Columbia University and Law and Political Economy Project's Essay Series on Data and Democracy (2021)

Transparency After Carpenter
59 WASHBURN L.J. 23 (2020)

GRANTS

Principal Investigator, Knight Foundation, $65,000 2022–2023
One-year grant to support scholarly research on tech whistleblowers and algorithmic transparency.

HONORS, AWARDS, & OTHER AFFILIATIONS

Fellow, Weizenbaum Institute for the Networked Society, Berlin 2022
One-month visiting fellowship in residence with the Democracy and Digitalization research group.

Affiliated Scholar, NYU School of Law Policing Project 2020–*present*

Affiliate Fellow, Yale Law School Information Society Project 2018–*present*

Non-Resident Fellow, Center for Democracy and Technology 2019–2023

Fellow, Alexander von Humboldt Institut für Internet und Gesellschaft 2020

Seminar Participant, Tech, Law, & Society Summer Institute, UC Irvine 2018

Seminar Participant, German Council on Foreign Relations, 17th Annual International Summer School, Berlin 2013

German Academic Exchange Service Graduate Study Scholarship, Free University of Berlin & Ludwig-Maximilian University, Munich 2009–2010

SERVICE TO TEXAS A&M LAW SCHOOL

Promotion & Tenure Advisory Committee (2025–26), Faculty Appointments Committee (2022–23), Admissions & Recruitment Committee (2021–22, 2023–24), Library & Technology Committee (2020–21)

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

AI Now, FDA for AI, *Advisory Council Member* (2023–2024)

Electronic Privacy Information Center, *Advisory Board Member* (2022–present)

American Law Institute/European Law Institute, Principles of the Law, Data Economy, *Advisor* (2018–21)

American Bar Association, National Security & Civil Liberties Committee, *Vice Chair* (2020–present)

Association of American Law Schools, Section on Defamation and Privacy, *Executive Committee Member (*2020–present)

Association of American Law Schools, Section on Internet & Computer Law, *Chair* (2022–23), *Chair-Elect* (2021–22), *Executive Committee Member* (2020–21)

Association of American Law Schools, Section on Communication, Media, & Information Law, *Chair* (2023–24), *Chair-Elect* (2022–23), *Secretary* (2021–22)

Reviewer: Yale University Press; NYU Press; Cambridge University Press; Big Data & Society; Law & Policy; WASH. L. REV.; YALE L.J.; Communication Law & Policy

SELECTED ADVOCACY

Brief of Amici Curiae Law Professors in Opposition to Defendant's Motion to Dismiss, *ACLU v. Clearview AI, Inc.*, Case No. 2020-CH-04353 (Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois filed Nov. 2, 2020)

Testimony before a Hearing of the New Jersey Assembly Science, Innovation and Technology Committee regarding Bill A1210 (requires public hearing prior to use of facial recognition technology by law enforcement agency) (Feb. 3, 2020)

Brief of Amici Curiae First and Fourth Amendment Scholars in Support of Petitioners-Appellants, *Leopold v. United State*s, No. 18-5276 (D.C. Cir. filed Jan. 25, 2019)

Brief of Amici Curiae Floyd Abrams Institute for Freedom of Expression and First Amendment Scholars, in Support of the Parties Under Seal, *In re National Security Letter*, Nos. 16-16067, 16-16081, 16-16082, 16-16090 (9th Cir. filed Sept. 26, 2016) (with John Langford and Jonathan Manes)

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

Informational Policing
Berkeley Law, Privacy & Cybersecurity Seminar, Nov. 2026
Temple University Beasley School of Law Faculty Workshop, Oct. 2026

Lessons for Tech Regulation from Surveillance and National Security
Redesigning the Governance Stack Conference, Georgetown Law, Sept. 2026

An End to the Deregulatory First Amendment?
Fordham Law Review Online Symposium, Sept. 2026

How Tech Took Over
Privacy Law Scholars Conference, Indiana University, May 2026
Yale Law School, Global Political Economy of Artificial Intelligence Conference, Mar. 2026
Cornell University, Tech/Law Colloquium, Mar. 2026
Networks, Platforms, and Utilities Workshop, Mar. 2026
Pace University Elisabeth Haub School of Law, Faculty Workshop, Mar. 2026
Brooklyn Law School Faculty Workshop, Feb. 2026
Association of Law and Political Economy Conference, Feb. 2026
University of Florida Levin College of Law, Marshall M. Criser Distinguished Faculty Workshop, Nov. 2025
Yale Law School Information Society Project, Oct. 2025
Berkeley Law, Privacy & Cybersecurity Seminar, Sept. 2025
Columbia Law School, Technology Law Seminar, Sept. 2025
Princeton University, Center for Information Technology Policy Seminar, Sept. 2025

Information Nation
Institute for Advanced Study, Mar. 2025
Lastowka Cyberlaw Colloquium, Wharton, Mar. 2025
Frontiers in Law Seminar, Princeton University Program in Law and Public Policy, Feb. 2025

Information Law Pluralism
Privacy Law Scholars Conference, UCLA Law School, May 2025
Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, Yale Law School, Apr. 2025
Drexel Law Faculty Workshop, Mar. 2025
GW Law Faculty Workshop, Feb. 2025

Governing By, Through, and With Technology
Access & Accountability Conference, Yale Law School, Oct. 2023 (*keynote*)

The Ideology of Press Freedom
Yale/Harvard/Stanford Junior Faculty Forum, June 2023
Media Law & Policy Scholars Conference, Jan. 2022

The Promise and Perils of Tech Whistleblowing
Civil Liberties and Civil Rights in a Digital Age Seminar, Fordham Law School, October 2023
Privacy Law Scholars Conference, June 2023
Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, Apr. 2023
Scholarship Retreat, Texas A&M School of Law, Dec. 2022

A Public Technology Option

IP Scholars Roundtable, Texas A&M School of Law, Nov. 2022
L. & Contemp. Probs. Symposium, Sept. 2022
Information Law Institute Fellows Workshop, NYU Law, Sept. 2022

Public-Private Platforms

Yale Law School Information Society Project, Sept. 2022
Digital Life Initiative Workshop, Cornell Tech, Sept. 2022

Algorithmic Governance from the Bottom Up

Future of Technology and Society Discussion Group, Faculty of Law, University of Oxford, Mar. 2023
Law, Legal Institutions, and Technological Change Conference, University of Wisconsin, Apr. 2022
Tech Colloquium, Georgetown, Mar. 2022
Duke L.J. Symposium, Feb. 2022
Scholarship Retreat, Texas A&M School of Law, Dec. 2021
Privacy Law Scholars Conference, June 2021
Michigan Law Junior Scholars Conference, Apr. 2021
Yale Law School Information Society Project, Jan. 2021

Content Moderation as Surveillance

Knight Institute at Columbia Speaker Series, Oct. 2022
Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, Yale Law School, Apr. 2021
Berkeley Tech. L.J. Symposium, Apr. 2021
PlatGov, Mar. 2021
18th Annual Works-in-Progress Intellectual Property Colloquium, Feb. 2021

Transparency's AI Problem

Scholarship Retreat, Texas A&M School of Law, November 2020
Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, Yale Law School, October 2020
Knight Institute Data & Democracy Symposium, Columbia University, October 2020
AI Regulation Seminar, McGill University, June 2020
Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, Seventh Annual Conference on Governance of Emerging Technologies & Science, May 2019
Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, May 2019
Internet Law Scholars Work-In-Progress Conference, Mar. 2019

Visible Policing

Dispute Resolution Works-in-Progress Consortium, Quinnipiac School of Law, Jan. 2021
Texas A&M Faculty Workshop, Sept. 2020
Cardozo Faculty Workshop, Sept. 2020
Stanford/Harvard/Yale Junior Faculty Forum, July 2020

Drexel University Kline School of Law Faculty Workshop, Feb. 2020
Governance & Privacy Workshop, Univ. of Denver Sturm College of Law, Sept. 2019
Southeastern Association of Law Schools, July 2019
CrimFest, July 2019
Privacy Law Scholars Conference, May 2018

Automation in Moderation
Yale Law School Information Society Project, Oct. 2019
Penn State Law School, Faculty Workshop, Sept. 2019
Cornell Int'l L.J. Symposium, Mar. 2019

Access to Algorithms
Southeastern Association of Law Schools, July 2020
Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, Apr. 2019
Pace Law School Faculty Workshop, Apr. 2019
Hofstra University Maurice Deane School of Law IP Colloquium, Nov. 2018
Yale Law School Information Society Project, Nov. 2018
Mid-Atlantic Junior Faculty Forum, May 2018
Artificial Intelligence and the Law Conference, Seton Hall Law School, Apr. 2018

Global Platform Governance: Private Power in the Shadow of the State
AALS New Voices in National Security Law, Jan. 2019
Amsterdam Privacy Conference, Oct. 2018
Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, Apr. 2018
Internet Law Scholars Work-In-Progress Conference, Mar. 2018
All Things in Moderation: The People, Practices and Politics of Online Content Review – Human and Machine, UCLA, Dec. 2017

Exposing Secret Searches: The First Amendment Right of Access to Electronic Surveillance Orders
Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, Apr. 2017
Internet Law Scholars Work-In-Progress Conference, Mar. 2016

Beyond Standing: Surveillance and Press Freedom
TPRC | 43rd Research Conference on Communications, Information and Internet Policy, Sept. 2015
Yale Law School, Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, May 2015
Internet Law Scholars Work-In-Progress Conference, Mar. 2015

OTHER PANELS AND CONFERENCES

Chair/Commentator, *Administering Automation: New Legal Histories of Computing*
American Society for Legal History Annual Meeting, Nov. 2026

Participant, Roundtable on Industrial Policy and Economic Security
Vanderbilt University Law School, Sept. 2026

Discussant, Free Expression Scholars Conference
Yale Law School, Apr. 2026

Panelist, *Regulating Information Platforms*
Northwestern Pritzker School of Law San Francisco, Feb. 2023

Moderator, *The Internet of War*
Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, Jan. 2023

Panelist, *Transparency's Tradeoffs*
Silicon Flatirons, Transparency and the Tech Sector, Nov. 2022

Discussant, *Emerging Technology's Language Wars*
University of Pennsylvania Journal of Law & Innovation Symposium, Jan. 2022

Panelist, *Platform Governance: Trust and Transparency*
NYU Digital Interests Lab/Yale Law School Information Society Project, Dec. 2021

Moderator, *Algorithm Panel*
Texas A&M Law Review Symposium, Mar. 2021

Panelist, *Transparency of Policing Technology*
Technology, Media, & Privacy Law Conference, University of Florida Levin College of Law, Mar. 2021

Panelist, *A.I. & Criminal Justice*
Denver Law Review Symposium, Feb. 2021

Panelist, *Surveillance and Security*
Access & Accountability Conference, Yale Law School, Oct. 2020

Panelist, *Internet Platforms and the Governance of Algorithms*
Yale Law School Paul Tsai China Center, Sept. 2020

Panelist, *Social Media Content Moderation and the Future of Free Speech*
Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, Jan. 2020

Moderator, *The First Amendment and the Press in the Digital Age*
Drexel Law Review Symposium, Nov. 2019

Panelist, *Regulating Social Media*
Harvard Journal on Legislation Symposium, Nov. 2019

Panelist, *Social Media and the Threats of Disinformation*
Lee E. Teitelbaum Utah Law Review Symposium, Oct. 2019

Organizer, *Automation & Accountability: Governance in the Age of Algorithms*
Drexel University Thomas R. Kline School of Law, Sept. 2019

Panelist, *Law & Political Economy of Technology*
Association for the Promotion of Political Economy & Law Workshop, University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law, June 2019

Panelist, *Predictive Crime Analytics: Law Enforcement & National Security in the Age of Big Data*
Technology, Media, & Privacy Law Conference, University of Florida Levin College of Law, Apr. 2019

Panelist, *Regulating Internet Content in the United States and Europe: A Comparative Approach*
International Law Review Symposium, Loyola University Chicago, Feb. 2019

Panelist, *Secrecy and Accountability in the Age of Algorithms*
Trade Secrets Institute Symposium, Brooklyn Law School, Feb. 2018

Panelist, *Law Enforcement Accountability*
Access & Accountability Conference, Yale Law School, Oct. 2018

Panelist, *Nuts and Bolts of FOIA Litigation*
Progressive Litigation Roundtable FOIA Training, July 2017

Moderator, *Promoting Law Enforcement Accountability Through Access to Information*
RebLaw, Feb. 2017

Panelist, *De-Identifying Video From Body Worn Cameras: Balancing Privacy and Public Accountability*
Computers, Freedom, and Privacy Conference, Oct. 2015

Panelist, *Legal, Technical, and Policy Challenges Facing Journalists: A Primer and Path Forward*
Investigative Reporters and Editors Conference, June 2015

Moderator, *Real-World Encryption Problems*
News Organizations and Digital Security Conference, Nov. 2014

States of Emergency, Human Rights and the Arab Uprisings
17th Annual International Summer School, German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP), Aug. 2013

When Domestic Norms Meet International Law: The Failure of Constructivism at Guantanamo Bay

Southern Political Science Association Annual Convention, Jan. 2011

POPULAR MEDIA

To Unmake the Surveillance State, Rethink the Privacy Act, Just Security (2026)

Who's Regulating Police Technology? It's Not the Courts, Tech Policy Press (2026)

Rethinking Federal Support for Journalism, Knight First Amendment Institute at Columbia University (2026)

Trump is Ruling by Willful Blindness, New York Times (2025)

Jawboning in the Era of New Governance, Knight First Amendment Institute at Columbia University (2023)

Can Whistleblowing Save Tech? Lawfare (2023)

Alternative Channels for Police Transparency, Lawfare (2021)

Why Police Love the Idea of Automated Content Moderation, Slate (2020)

A lawsuit against ICE reveals the danger of government-by-algorithm, The Washington Post (2020)

The NYPD's Misguided War on Waze, Slate (2019)

Terrorist Speech and Global Platform Governance, Balkinization (2018)

The Police Can Search Your Email Without Telling You. That's Nuts, Vox (2017)

Will Trump Kill Executive War Powers? The Outline (2017)

New Disclosures Reflect NSLs' Substantive First Amendment Flaws, Just Security (2016)

Why does a FISA court decide if Twitter can talk about its dealings with FISA? The Guardian (2015) (with Bruce Brown)

How New York City Buses Are Becoming Vehicles for Hateful Speech, Gawker (2015)

Texas Will Tread on Your Confederate License Plate, Gawker (2015)

WORK EXPERIENCE

Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press, Washington, D.C.
Stanton Foundation National Security Fellow 2014–2016

Baker Botts, LLP, Houston, TX
Litigation Associate 2013–2014
Summer Associate 2012

Electronic Frontier Foundation, San Francisco, CA
Legal Intern 2012

Legal Aid Society – Criminal Defense Practice, New York, NY
Legal Intern 2011

The Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.
Research Assistant to Benjamin Wittes 2011

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

Texas (2013) (*inactive*)
District of Columbia (2016)
United States District Court for the District of Columbia (2016)
United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (2014)
United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit (2014) (*inactive*)