

Hillel J. Bavli

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Law, SMU Dedman School of Law, 2018–present

Courses: Torts; Evidence; Law & Statistics; Law & Social Science

Teaching Fellow, Harvard University, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, 2011–16

Courses: Introduction to the Economic Analysis of Law; Introduction to Quantitative Methods for the Social Sciences and Humanities; Microeconomic Theory

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Statistics in Law and Government, Harvard University, 2017

Advisor: Donald B. Rubin

A.M., Statistics, Harvard University, 2013

LL.M., Harvard Law School, 2011

J.D., Fordham University School of Law, 2006

B.A., Economics, Boston University, 2003

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Counsel, Boies Schiller Flexner LLP, 2013–18

Litigation Associate, Boies Schiller Flexner LLP, 2013

Litigation Associate, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, 2009–10, 2007–08

Antitrust Associate, Axinn, Veltrop & Harkrider LLP, 2006–07

FELLOWSHIPS

Fellow, Harvard Institute for Quantitative Social Science, 2015–20

Visiting Fellow, Yale Law School Center for Private Law, 2017–18

Fulbright Fellow, Economics, Jerusalem, Israel, 2008–09

Center for the Study of Rationality, Hebrew University

Advisor: Robert J. Aumann

SELECTED AFFILIATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Member, OSAC Scientific & Technical Review Panel (DNA evidence), NIST, 2022–present

Affiliated Faculty, Harvard Institute for Quantitative Social Science, 2020–present

Affiliated Faculty, SMU Data Science Institute, 2021–present

Volunteer Firefighter, Ladder Co. 1, Lawrence-Cedarhurst Fire Department, 2009–11

SELECTED AWARDS

Research Grant, SMU Tsai Center for Law, Science and Innovation, 2022
Harvard University Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, 2016, 2015, 2012
Research Grant, Harvard Institute for Quantitative Social Science, 2016
Research Grant, Harvard Center for American Political Studies, 2015
Summer-Term Clerkship, Supreme Court of Rwanda, 2012
Harvard Law School Dean's Scholar Prize (Economic Analysis of Health Care Law), 2011
Winter-Term Clerkship, Supreme Court of India, 2011
Fulbright Language Grant, 2008–09
Fordham Law School Archibald R. Murray Public Service Award, 2006

BAR ADMISSIONS

New York Bar
Connecticut Bar

PUBLICATIONS

Character Evidence as a Conduit for Implicit Bias, 56 *U.C. Davis Law Review* (forthcoming 2023)
An Objective-Chance Exception to the Rule Against Character Evidence, 74 *Alabama Law Review* (forthcoming 2022)
An Aggregation Theory of Character Evidence, 51 *Journal of Legal Studies* 39 (2022) (peer-review, University of Chicago Press)
Credibility in Empirical Legal Analysis, 87 *Brooklyn Law Review* 501 (2022)
Causation in Civil Rights Legislation, 73 *Alabama Law Review* 159 (2021)
Cause and Effect in Antidiscrimination Law, 106 *Iowa Law Review* 483 (2021)
Counterfactual Causation, 51 *Arizona State Law Journal* 879 (2019)
The Effects of Comparable-Case Guidance on Awards for Pain and Suffering and Punitive Damages: Evidence from a Randomized Controlled Trial, 37 *Yale Law & Policy Review* 405 (2019) (with Reagan Mozer)
The Admissibility of Sampling Evidence to Prove Individual Damages in Class Actions, 59 *Boston College Law Review* 655 (2018) (with John K. Felter)
Shrinkage Estimation in the Adjudication of Civil Damage Claims, 13(2) *Review of Law & Economics* 1 (2017) (with Yang Chen) (peer-review, De Gruyter)
The Logic of Comparable-Case Guidance in the Determination of Awards for Pain and Suffering and Punitive Damages, 85 *University of Cincinnati Law Review* 1 (2017)
Sampling and Reliability in Class Action Litigation, 2016 *Cardozo Law Review de novo* 207 (2016)

Reductive Sampling: A Framework for Victim Participation and the Reparations Phase of the ICC Trial, 10 *Harvard Africa Policy Journal* 60 (2015)

Aggregating for Accuracy: A Closer Look at Sampling and Accuracy in Class Action Litigation, 14 *Law, Probability & Risk* 67 (2015) (peer-review, Oxford University Press)

Psychological Variables Relevant to Models of Legal Evolution toward Efficiency, 3 *ERASMUS Law & Economics Review* 21 (2007)

Applying the Laws of Logic to the Logic of Law, 33 *Fordham Urban Law Journal* 937 (2006)

A Model of Abstract Cooperation in Games of Uncertainty, 32 *Fordham Urban Law Journal* 831 (2005)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Character Evidence as a Conduit for Implicit Bias, *Annual Conference of the Berkeley Center on Comparative Equality and Anti-Discrimination Law, University of California, Berkeley, and University of Hong Kong* (June 22, 2022)

Character Evidence as a Conduit for Implicit Bias, *Harvard/Yale/Stanford Junior Faculty Forum, Harvard Law School* (June 10, 2022)

Character Evidence as a Conduit for Implicit Bias, *Evidence Summer Workshop, Vanderbilt Law School* (May 6, 2022)

Objective Chance and the Rule against Character Evidence, *Evidence Summer Workshop, Vanderbilt Law School* (August 6, 2021)

Causation in Civil Rights Legislation, *Annual Conference of the Berkeley Center on Comparative Equality and Anti-Discrimination Law, University of California, Berkeley, and University of Cape Town* (June 16, 2021)

Causal Sets in Antidiscrimination Law, *Michigan Law School 2020 Junior Scholars Conference, University of Michigan Law School* (April 17, 2020)

Counterfactual Causation, *Department Seminar, SMU Department of Statistical Science* (March 1, 2019)

The Effects of Comparable-Case Guidance on Awards for Pain and Suffering and Punitive Damages: Evidence from a Randomized Controlled Trial, *Denver Law Review Symposium: Driven by Data: Empirical Legal Studies in Civil Litigation and Health Law, University of Denver Sturm College of Law* (February 8, 2019)

Guiding Jurors with Prior-Award Information: A Randomized Controlled Trial, *Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Cornell Law School* (October 15, 2017)

Guiding Jurors with Prior-Award Information: A Randomized Controlled Trial, *Annual Meeting of the American Law & Economics Association, Yale Law School* (May 12, 2017)

SELECTED LAW SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Faculty Advisory Board, Deason Criminal Justice Reform Center

Faculty Advisory Board, Rowling Center for Business Law and Leadership

Admissions Committee, SMU Dedman School of Law

Library & Technology Committee, SMU Dedman School of Law
University Task Force regarding Formation of New Ph.D. Program, SMU
SMU Academic Technology Council
Faculty Advisor, 1L Inn of Court
Faculty Advisor, SMU Law Review 2020-21 Symposium
Faculty Sponsor, SMU Law Review 2019-20 Symposium
Research Director Search Committee, Deason Criminal Justice Reform Center
Career Services Committee, SMU Dedman School of Law
Public Service Committee, SMU Dedman School of Law
Faculty Secretary, SMU Dedman School of Law

REFeree ACTIVITY

Yale Law Journal
National Science Foundation, Law and Science Program
Journal of Law, Economics, & Organization
Jurimetrics
Law & Society Review

PUBLISHED PHOTOGRAPH SET

Gihembe Refugee Camp on World Refugee Day, 2012