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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Assistant Professor of Law (Senior Lecturer), 2017–Present
Member, Federmann Center for the Study of Rationality, 2021–Present
Co-chair, Jerusalem Crime Group, 2017–2019

Columbia Law School

Academic Fellow, 2015–2017

VISITING AND OTHER POSITIONS

University of Virginia School of Law, Visiting Professor, Fall 2018

UCLA School of Law, Visiting Scholar, Spring 2018

NYU School of Law, Classical Liberal Institute, Program Affiliate Scholar, 2018–Present

University of Michigan Law School, Senior Grotius Research Scholar, Fall 2019

Syracuse University, TRAC Fellow, 2021–Present

EDUCATION

University of Chicago Law School

J.S.D. *John M. Olin Scholar, Russell Baker Scholar*, 2016
Dissertation: *Context-Dependence in Judicial Decision Making*
Committee: Omri Ben-Shahar and William Hubbard
LL.M. *Russell Baker Scholar*, 2011

Tel-Aviv University

M.A. *summa cum laude*, public policy, mediation and conflict resolution, 2009

Hebrew University of Jerusalem

M.B.A. *magna cum laude*, finance and marketing, 2007
LL.B. *magna cum laude*, 2005

PRIMARY RESEARCH FIELDS

Courts; Sentencing; Discretion and Legal Decision-Making; Litigation and Plea Bargaining; Development of Law, Norms, and Institutions; Law and Economics; Behavioral Law and Economics; Empirical Legal Studies

PUBLICATIONS

Leibovitch, Adi, “A Wider Scope of Effects on Communities: A Comment on ‘Proactive Policing – Effects on Crime and Communities,’” *Jerusalem Review of Legal Studies* (2021)

- Leibovitch, Adi, “Institutional Design and the Psychology of the Trial Judge,” in Bartosz Brozek, Jaap Hage, and Nicole A. Vincent (Eds.), *Law and Mind: A Survey of Law and the Cognitive Sciences*, pp. 193–206 (Cambridge University Press) (2021)
- Leibovitch, Adi, and Alexander Stremtizer, “Experimental Methods in Constitutional Law,” *University of Chicago Law Review Online* (2021)
- Leibovitch, Adi, “Comment on Politics and Sex Offense Prosecution in the Wake of Duke Lacrosse,” 27(1) *Supreme Court Economic Review* 189 (2019).
- Leibovitch, Adi, “Punishing on a Curve,” 111(5) *Northwestern University Law Review* 1205 (2017).
- Leibovitch, Adi, “Relative Judgments,” 45(2) *Journal of Legal Studies* 281 (2016).

WORK IN PROGRESS

- Leibovitch, Adi, and Alexander Stremtizer, “Aspirational Rules” (*Journal of Legal Studies*, revise and resubmit)
- Guttel, Ehud, and Adi Leibovitch, “Sanctions and Restitution” (draft available)
- Leibovitch, Adi, “Bargaining in the Shadow of the Judge” (draft available)
- Leibovitch, Adi, J. J. Prescott, and Dean Karlan, “Evaluating the Effects of Case Order on Judicial Decision Making and Developing Better Case-Assignment Mechanisms” (20-page funding narrative available)
- Leibovitch, Adi, J. J. Prescott, and Dean Karlan, “Context Effects in Prosecutorial Decision Making: An Empirical Analysis” (19-page funding narrative available)

RESEARCH GRANTS

- Israel Science Foundation, Individual Research Grant (NIS 878,000), 2018-2022
- Russell Sage Foundation Presidential Award (\$50,000) (with J.J. Prescott and Dean Karlan), 2018–2021
- Charles Koch Foundation Research Grant (\$90,000) (with J.J. Prescott and Dean Karlan), 2018–2022
- University Integration Grant, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (\$100,000), 2017–2022
- Faculty Integration Grant, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (NIS 300,000), 2017–2022

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Ranked among the best teachers of the Hebrew University (top 10%), 2020
- John M. Olin Scholar in Law and Economics, Coase-Sandor Institute for Law and Economics, University of Chicago Law School, 2011–2014
- Russell Baker Scholar, University of Chicago Law School, 2010–2012
- Dean’s Prize for Excellence in Graduate Studies, Tel-Aviv University, 2008
- Student Commencement Speaker, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, School of Business Administration, 2007
- Moot Court Winner and Israeli delegate to The European International Model United Nations (TEIMUN), The Hague, Netherlands, 2003
- Scholarship for distinguished new students, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 2001–2002

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

Conferences and Workshops

- 2022 Empirical Methods in Legal Scholarship Workshop, Max-Planck-Institute in Bonn, April 1, 2022 (scheduled)
University of Virginia School of Law, Law and Economics Workshop, March 29, 2022 (scheduled)
University of Toronto Law School, Law and Economics Workshop, March 22, 2022 (scheduled)
- 2021 European Association of Law and Economics Annual Conference, Universitat Pompeu Fabra Law School and the Barcelona Graduate School of Economics, September 9-10, 2021
The Federmann Center for the Study of Rationality, Theory Seminar, June 6, 2021
IDC Herzliya, Faculty Workshop, May 4, 2020
Boston University School of Law, Law and Economics Workshop, April 6, 2021
Hebrew University Faculty of Law, Criminal Law Workshop, January 13, 2021
Jerusalem Review of Legal Studies Book Symposium: “Proactive Policing: Effects on Crime and Communities,” Hebrew University of Jerusalem, January 7, 2021
- 2020 First Annual Empirical Criminal Law Roundtable, Duke University School of Law, December 3–4, 2020 (scheduled)
Florida-Michigan-Virginia Virtual Law and Economics Workshop, November 18, 2020
University of Texas at Austin School of Law, Law and Economics Workshop, November 3, 2020
Symposium: Measuring Impact in Constitutional Law, University of Chicago Law School, October 23, 2020
Institutional and Organizational Economics Annual Conference (SIOE), Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), June 19, 2020
- 2019 Hebrew University Faculty of Law, Criminal Law Workshop & Workshop on Law, Economics, and Empirical Studies, November 27, 2019
Annual Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Claremont McKenna College, November 15-16, 2019
University of Michigan Law School, Law and Economic Workshop, October 17, 2019
University of Michigan Law School, Criminal Justice Roundtable, October 14, 2019
University of Notre Dame Law School, Law and Economic Workshop, October 11, 2019
European Association of Law and Economics Annual Conference, Tel-Aviv University, September 18-20, 2019
Conference on Empirical Studies of Public Law and Human Rights, Hebrew University, June 27, 2019
Conference on Behavioral Legal Studies: Cognition, Motivation, and Moral Judgments, Hebrew University, June 17-18, 2019
Max-Planck-Institute in Bonn, LawEcon Workshop, June 4, 2019
Max-Planck-Institute in Bonn, Lab Meeting, June 3, 2019
Tel-Aviv University Faculty of Law, Economic Analysis of the Law Workshop, May 27, 2019
Theoretical and Empirical Legal Studies: A Comparative Perspective Seminar, Hebrew University, May 2, 2019
Empirical Methods in Legal Scholarship Workshop, ETH Zurich, March 16-17, 2019
UCLA School of Law, Faculty Colloquium, February 8, 2019
- 2018 Frontiers in the Study of Judicial Decisions Seminar, University of Vienna Faculty of Law, June 22, 2018
Comparative Law and Economics Forum Annual Meeting, University of Amsterdam, June 15–16, 2018
Bar-Ilan University Faculty of Law, Empirical Studies Workshop, May 30, 2018
UCLA School of Law, Law and Economics Workshop, March 22, 2018

- University of Amsterdam, Empirical Legal Studies Workshop, January 29, 2018
- 2017 University of Chicago Law School, Faculty Workshop, February 14, 2017
- 2016 Hebrew University Faculty of Law, Faculty Workshop, December 28, 2016
- Tel-Aviv University Faculty of Law, Faculty Workshop, December 26, 2016
- Bar-Ilan University Faculty of Law, Faculty Workshop, December 21, 2016
- University of Haifa Faculty of Law, Faculty Workshop, December 18, 2016
- University of Virginia School of Law, Faculty Workshop, November 15, 2016
- Georgetown University Law Center, Faculty Workshop, November 10, 2016
- George Mason University Law School, Faculty Workshop, November 7, 2016
- University of Chicago Law School, Legal Scholarship Workshop, September 26, 2016
- University of Texas at Austin School of Law, Law and Economics Workshop, March 7, 2016
- Tel-Aviv University Faculty of Law, Economic Analysis of the Law Workshop, January 11, 2016
- 2015 Society of Empirical Legal Studies Global Workshop for Junior Empirical-Legal Scholars, iCore Center for Empirical Studies of Decision Making and the Law, Hebrew University, December 16–17, 2015
- Annual Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Washington University Law School in St. Louis, October 30–31, 2015
- Northwestern University School of Law, Legal Scholarship Workshop, October 15, 2015
- University of Chicago Law School, Judicial Behavior Workshop, October 14, 2015
- University of Chicago Law School, Legal Scholarship Workshop, October 12, 2015
- University of Haifa Faculty of Law, Law and Economics Workshop, June 9, 2015
- American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, Columbia Law School, May 15–16, 2015

Discussant and Chair in Conferences and Workshops

- 2019 Annual Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Claremont McKenna College, November 15–16, 2019, Discussant: “Are Lawyers’ Case Selection Decisions Biased? A Field Experiment on Access to Justice” (by Jens Frankenreiter and Michael A. Livermore)
- European Association of Law and Economics Annual Conference, Tel-Aviv University, September 18–20, 2019, Session Chair: “Courts—Empirical”
- Conference on Empirical Studies of Public Law and Human Rights, Hebrew University, June 27, 2019, Session Chair: “Decision Making in the Judiciary”
- Roundtable on Prisoners’ Rights in Israel: Theoretical and Empirical Aspects, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, March 18, 2019, Chair
- Supreme Court Economic Review Forum, George Mason University Law School, February 28–March 1, 2019, Commentator: “A Million Dollars in Free Advertising’ Politics and Sex Offense Prosecution in the Wake of Duke Lacrosse” (by Bryan C. McCannon and Mark Wilson)
- 2018 Comparative Supreme Court Decision Making Workshop, Hebrew University, December 16–17, 2018, Discussant: “Are Constitutional Court Justices Political? A Study of the Taiwan Constitutional Court, 2003–2015” (by Yen-Tu Su and Chien-chieh Lin)
- Annual Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, University of Michigan, November 10–11, 2018, Discussant: “A Randomized Experiment of Race, Class, and Blinding Thereof on Prosecutors’ Charging Decisions” (by Christopher Robertson, Shima Baradaran Baughman, and Megan S. Wright)
- Empirical Methods in Legal Scholarship Workshop, Columbia Law School, March 9–10, 2018, Discussant: “Psychological and Legal Implications of Using Special Verdicts in Criminal Cases” (by Avani Sood)
- 2017 Israeli Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, Hebrew University, December 17, 2017, Discussant: “Plea Bargaining and the Miscarriage of Justice” (by Michael Beenstock, Joshua Guetzkow, and Shir Kamenetsky Yadan)

- Criminal Justice Roundtable, Columbia Law School, May 6–7, 2017, Moderator: “Addicted to *Wardlow*” (by Jeffrey Fagan and Ben Grunwald)
- 2016 American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, Harvard Law School, May 20–21, 2016, Discussant: “Simplification of Privacy Disclosures: An Experimental Test” (by Omri Ben-Shahar and Adam Chilton)
- 2015 American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, Columbia Law School, May 15–16, 2015, Discussant: “Anchoring Legal Standards” (by Doron Teichman, Yuval Feldman, and Amos Schurr)

Conferences and Conference Sessions Organized

- 2020 Program Committee, Session on Law, Society for Institutional and Organizational Economics Annual Conference (SIOE), Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), June 19, 2020 Symposium on “Prosecutorial Discretion,” NYU Law School (originally scheduled for 2020 and postponed due to COVID-19)
- 2019 Conference on “Retrials and the Problems in Approaching Witnesses,” Hebrew University of Jerusalem, March 27, 2019

Public Lectures and Events

- 2021 Conference on “The Imperfect Crime,” Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Jerusalem Cinematheque, March 22, 2021
- 2019 Conference on “Retrials and the Problems in Approaching Witnesses,” Hebrew University of Jerusalem, March 27, 2019

TEACHING

Hebrew University of Jerusalem (2017–Present)

- Criminal Procedure
- Sentencing
- Law and Economics Workshop
- Criminal Law Workshop
- * Ranked among the best teachers of the Hebrew University (top 10%), 2020

University of Virginia School of Law (Fall 2018)

- Sentencing

University of Chicago (Summer 2014 & Summer 2015)

- Behavioral Economics
- Behavioral Law and Economics
- Criminal Law and Economics
- Empirical Law and Economics

LAW PRACTICE

Office of the Military Public Defender for the Central District, I.D.F. (2008–2010)

- Public Defender (honorably discharged at the rank of Captain)

Office of the Chief Military Prosecutor, I.D.F. (2006–2008)

- Prosecutor and Deputy Head of the Intelligence and Narcotics Section

The International Law Department, I.D.F. (2005–2006)

- Legal Counsel

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES & AFFILIATIONS

REFEREE SERVICE

American Law and Economics Review
Criminology
Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization
Journal of Legal Studies
Supreme Court Economic Review
Israeli Law and Economics Association
Mishpatim (Hebrew U. Law Review)
Mehkarey Mishpat (Bar-Ilan Law Review)
Hukim
Mishpat Ve'Asakim
Rubenstein Book

AFFILIATIONS

TRAC Fellow, Syracuse University, 2021–Present
Board Member, European Association of Law and Economics (EALE)
Göran Skogh Award Committee, 2021
Program Committee, Society for Institutional and Organizational
Economics, 2020 Annual Conference
Editor, Hebrew University of Jerusalem Legal Studies Research Paper
Series, 2018–Present
Co-chair, Jerusalem Crime Group, 2017–2019
Academic Supervisor, Wrongful Convictions Clinic, 2018–Present
Academic Supervisor, Criminal Justice Clinic, 2018–2019
Member, Graduate Student Advisory Board, Becker Friedman Institute
for Research in Economics, University of Chicago, 2014–2015
Translator, Comparative Constitutions Project, 2013
Editorial Board, *Israel Law Review*, 2003–2004
Certified Mediator, Tel-Aviv University, 2008
Admitted to Israel Bar Association, 2006
Member, American Law and Economics Association
Member, Society for Empirical Legal Studies
Member, European Association of Law and Economics

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Research Committee (2017–Present); Students' Scholarships and Awards
Committee (2017–Present); Steering Committee of the Institute of
Criminology Police Program (2019–Present); Editor, Hebrew University
of Jerusalem Legal Studies Research Paper Series (2018–Present); Judge,
Moot Court Competition in memoriam of Adv. Yona Blatman (2021).