

## **Jonathan Brown**

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### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

#### **Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University**

*Professor of Law for Designated Service or Project*, January 1, 2021 – Present

*Adjunct Professor of Law*, November 2016 – December 31, 2020

*Director of Food and Beverage Law Clinic*, November 2016 – Present

*Practice:* Founder and director of the Food and Beverage Law Clinic, a live client in-house clinic in which students provide transactional legal services to farmers, mission-oriented food and beverage entrepreneurs, and not-for-profit organizations seeking to build a more just and sustainable food system.

*Teaching:* Food and Beverage Law Clinic Seminar (Spring 2017 – Present)  
Drafting Legal Documents (Summer 2020, Fall 2021)  
Nonprofit Organizations (Spring 2021)

#### **Yale Law School**

*Eugene Ludwig/Robert M. Cover Fellow and Clinical Lecturer in Law*, July 2015 – November 2016

*Practice:* Co-taught the Community and Economic Development Clinic, a live client in-house clinic representing not-for-profit organizations, community development corporations, neighborhood associations, and small foundations.

*Teaching:* Supervised student practice and co-taught seminar classes on corporate governance, finance, real estate development, professional responsibility, negotiation, and drafting skills. Co-taught legal research and writing pilot program for first-year students.

### **OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy LLP**, New York, NY, Summer 2005, October 2006-June 2015

*Associate:* Represented wide range of companies and financial institutions in domestic and cross-border financing transactions and other corporate matters, including acquisition financings, project financings, structured financings, loans to individuals and trusts, and bankruptcy-related matters. Represented nonprofit organizations on a pro bono basis in connection with corporate matters. Taught internal continuing legal education programs, including twelve-session course on drafting skills for first-year attorneys.

**Goldman, Sachs & Co.**, New York, NY, January – August 2012

*Legal Seconded:* Worked in in-house legal group covering a variety of lending activities, including Urban Investment Group responsible for investments benefitting urban communities.

**New York Legal Assistance Group**, New York, NY, Summer 2004

*Legal Intern, Equal Justice America Fellow:* Represented indigent clients in connection with immigration and healthcare matters.

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### PUBLICATIONS

*Nurturing a More Just and Sustainable Food System: The First Year of Pace Law's Food and Beverage Law Clinic*, Natural Resources & Environment (quarterly publication of the ABA Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources) (2018).

*Beyond Corporate Form; A Response to Dan DePasquale's, Surbhi Sarang's and Natalie Vena's Forging Food Justice through Cooperatives in New York City*, 45 Fordham Urb. L.J. 1121(2018).

*When Social Enterprises Fail*, 62 Vill. L. Rev. 27 (2017).

*Teaching Law Students About Business and Finance*, 18 Transactions: Tenn. J. Bus. L. 541 (2016) (with Barbara Wagner).

### EDUCATION

**New York University School of Law**, J.D., 2006

**University of Pennsylvania**, B.A., History, Economics, 2003

*Honors:* Dean's List

### PRESENTATIONS

*Charitable Farming and Food Organizations*

Invited Presenter, New York City Bar Association Committee on Non-Profit Organizations, June 22, 2021 (via Zoom)

*Solar Farm Apiaries: Opportunities for Bees and Beekeepers*

Invited Panelist, American Beekeeping Federation, June 22, 2021 (via Zoom)

*Farm Law 101*

Presenter, New York Kitchen, February 2, 2021 (via Zoom)

*Farm Lease Agreements (CLE)*

Presenter/Organizer, Farm Leasing and Conservation Practices: Incentivizing Secure Tenure and Climate Resilience, Elisabeth Haub School of Law, November 19, 2020 (via Zoom)

*COVID, Climate Change, and Crisis: The Future of Farming*

Invited Panelist, Earthjustice, July 14, 2020 (via Zoom)

*The Pandemic and Our Food System: Why We Might Want to Move Our Food Supply Closer to Home*

Panelist, Pace University, June 24, 2020 (via Zoom)

*The Future of Meat*

Panelist, Pace University, March 6, 2020

*Food Systems and Business Structures*

Invited Presenter, Food Law Student Leadership Summit, University of Arkansas School of Law, February 29, 2020

*Legal Structures for Social Enterprise: Benefit Corporations, Cooperatives, and Nonprofits*

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Invited Presenter, Farm Law Primer, Glynwood Center for Regional Food and Farming, February 25, 2020

*Private Law Issues: Conservation Easements and Solar Leases (CLE)*

Moderator, Law at the Intersection of Renewable Energy and Agriculture, Elisabeth Haub School of Law, November 6, 2019

*What's Law Got to Do with It? A Conversation About a Sustainable and Just Food System*

Presenter, New York State Health Foundation, May 20, 2019

*Recent Litigation and Proposed Legislative Changes (CLE)*

Presenter, Protecting Farms for the Future: The Law and Practice of Agricultural Conservation Easements, Kingston, NY, April 11, 2019

*Legal Advice for Farm Businesses*

Presenter, Northeast Organic Farming Association of New York (NOFA-NY) Winter Conference, January 20, 2019

*Legal Agreements*

Invited Presenter, Entrepreneurship Intensive, Stone Barns Center for Food and Agriculture, December 11, 2018

*Nonprofits and Social Enterprises*

Invited Presenter, Farm Beginnings, GrowNYC, December 11, 2018

*Legal Issues and Resources for Small and Mid-Sized Farms*

Presenter, Cornell Cooperative Extension Agriculture, Food & Environmental Systems In-Service, November 15, 2018

*Legal Support for Farmers, Food Entrepreneurs, and other Food System Stakeholders*

Panelist, 2018 Transactional Clinic Conference, Chicago-Kent College of Law, April 28, 2018

*Food Law for Young Farmers*

Presenter, Young Farmers Conference, Stone Barns Center for Food & Agriculture, December 8, 2017

*Pace-NRDC Food Law Initiative*

Land Use Leadership Alliance Training Program, Poughkeepsie, NY, December 1, 2017

*Forging Food Justice through Cooperatives in New York City*

Invited Respondent, Fordham Urban Law Journal's Cooper-Walsh Colloquium, October 20, 2017

*Food Law Challenges and Solutions: Identifying Issues and Accessing Services*

Invited Panelist, National Farm Viability Conference, Albany, NY, May 24, 2017

*U.S. Food Systems Law and the Role of Lawyers in the "Food Movement"*

Invited Panelist, Canadian Bar Association Environmental, Energy & Resources Law Summit, Montreal, QC, April 28, 2017

*Business/Corporate Law Panel*

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Invited Panelist, Sharing Scholarship, Building Teachers Conference, Albany Law School,  
February 4, 2017

*Direct Legal Services for Farmers as a Means for Environmental and Animal Welfare*

Moderator, Environmental and Animal Law: Building Collaboration, Yale Law School,  
November 5, 2016

*Agriculture, Climate Change, and the USDA*

Moderator, Yale Food Systems Symposium, Climate Change and Agriculture: The  
Forgotten Industry, September 30, 2016

*Teaching Corporate Finance Using Clinical Client Work*

Presenter, Conference on Transactional Law and Skills Education, Emory University  
School of Law, June 11, 2016

### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

New York (2007), Connecticut (2015)

### **BOARDS**

Board Member and Secretary, Northeast Organic Farming Association of New York  
(NOFA-NY)

Advisory Council Member, National Food Law Student Leadership Network