

# JOHN L. DAVISSON

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## EDUCATION

### **GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER**, Washington, D.C.

*J.D., magna cum laude (May 2016)*

Honors: Order of the Coif

Activities: Georgetown Law Fellow, Guantanamo Bay Military Commissions Observer

### **COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY**, New York, N.Y.

*B.A. in U.S. history (May 2008)*

Activities: Editor in Chief, *Columbia Daily Spectator*

## EXPERIENCE

### **ELECTRONIC PRIVACY INFORMATION CENTER (EPIC)**, Washington, D.C.

*Director of litigation (2022–present); senior counsel (2020–present); Counsel (Sep. 2017–present); appellate advocacy fellow (Sep. 2016–Sep. 2017); law clerk (2015)*

- Led EPIC’s litigation and consumer protection programs
- Conducted and supervised a wide range of advocacy before federal and state agencies, courts, and legislatures in favor of stronger privacy and human rights safeguards
- Developed, litigated, and argued open government and privacy cases
- Drafted amicus briefs in U.S. Supreme Court and appellate cases

### **LEVINE SULLIVAN KOCH & SCHULZ, LLP**, Washington, D.C.

*Law clerk (fall 2015–summer 2016; fall 2014–spring 2015)*

- Conducted legal research on open government, privacy, defamation, and First Amendment issues
- Researched and drafted updates to *Newsgathering and the Law* (4th ed.)

### **INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC REPRESENTATION**, Washington, D.C.

*Student attorney, Civil Rights Section (fall 2015)*

- Drafted filings, assisted with depositions, and led client meetings in wage theft and civil rights cases, including *Gonzales v. Marriott* (concerning sex-based discrimination against surrogate mother)

### **APPIGNANI HUMANIST LEGAL CENTER**, Washington, D.C.

*Legal intern (summer 2014)*

- Conducted research and assisted with filings in Establishment Clause and Free Exercise Clause cases, including *Am. Humanist Ass’n v. MNCPPC* (concerning monumental cross on public land)

### **PATCH MEDIA**, Laurel, Md.; College Park, Md.; and Darien, Conn.

*Senior local editor (2012–13); local editor (2010–12)*

- Ran local news websites, wrote and edited articles, and managed freelance reporters

## PUBLICATIONS

*The U.S. Data Protection Tribunal: A Proposal to Sidestep Article III Standing Barriers*  
(publication pending) (co-author: Sara Geoghegan)

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*We Can Work It Out: The False Connection Between Data Protection and Innovation*, 20 Colo. Tech. L. J. (2023) (co-authors: Calli Schroeder, Ben Winters)

*Santana v. Take-Two Interactive Software, Inc.*, On the Merits (2017) (dissenting view)

Note, *The General Welfare: Congress's Original Power to Fight Economic Inequality Under the Taxing and Spending Clause*, 24 Geo. J. on Poverty L. & Pol'y 89 (2016)

## ADMISSIONS

New York Bar; District of Columbia Bar; D.D.C.; D.C. Cir.