

# Eli Dourado

Head of Global Policy and Communications  
Boom Supersonic

## CURRENT POSITION

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### **Boom Supersonic**

**Washington, DC**

Head of Global Policy and Communications

2017 – present

- Responsible for Boom’s domestic and international policy matters and external communications.

## PREVIOUS WORK EXPERIENCE

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### **Mercatus Center, George Mason University**

**Arlington, VA**

Director, Technology Policy Program

2014 – 2017

Senior Research Fellow, Technology Policy Program

2016 – 2017

Research Fellow, Technology Policy Program

2012 – 2016

- Authored numerous white papers and articles on aviation, cybersecurity, intellectual property, Internet governance, cryptocurrency, and other technology policy issues.
- Popular writing appeared in *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Washington Post*, *Foreign Policy*, *Slate*, *The Guardian*, *Ars Technica*, and *Wired*, among other outlets.

### **Department of Economics, George Mason University**

**Fairfax, VA**

Research Assistant, Prof. Thomas Stratmann

2006 – 2007

### **Bureau of Economic Analysis, Department of Commerce**

**Washington, DC**

Economist

2004 – 2006

### **United States House of Representatives**

**Washington, DC**

Legislative Correspondent, Junior Legislative Assistant

2002

### **Department of Economics, Furman University**

**Greenville, SC**

Summer Scholar

Summer 2001

## **EDUCATION**

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### **George Mason University**

PhD, Economics

Advisor: Tyler Cowen

Dissertation: *Metapolitical Explorations*

- Chapter 1: *A Theory of Metapolitics*
- Chapter 2: *Technologies of Control and Resistance*
- Chapter 3: *Anarchy and Equilibrium*

**Fairfax, VA**

2016

### **Furman University**

BA *cum laude*, Economics and Political Science

**Greenville, SC**

June 2002

## **GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, & AWARDS**

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- IP3 Award, Public Knowledge 2013
- Department Fellowship, George Mason University 2006 – 2009
- Magill Foundation Research Grant 2001 – 2002
- Rockefeller Foundation Research Grant Summer 2001
- Schering-Plough Foundation Scholarship 1998 – 2002
- Furman Honor Scholarship 1998 – 2002

## **JOURNAL ARTICLES**

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- “Public Choice Perspectives on Intellectual Property,” with Alexander Tabarrok, *Public Choice*, Vol. 163(1-2), April 2015, pp. 129-151.
- “Cryptocurrency,” with Jerry Brito, *The New Palgrave Dictionary of Economics*, Online Edition, 2014.

## **BOOK CHAPTERS**

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- “Incentive Pay for Congress,” in *Reviving Economic Growth: Policy Proposals from 51 Leading Experts*, Brink Lindsey (ed.), Cato Institute, 2015.
- “The Times, They Are A-Changin’: The New Economics of Weak Copyright Enforcement,” in *Copyright Unbalanced*, Jerry Brito (ed.), Mercatus Center, 2012.

## **PUBLIC WORKING PAPERS AND POLICY BRIEFS**

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- *Make America Boom Again*, with Samuel Hammond, Mercatus Center, 2016.
- *Airport Noise NIMBYism*, with Raymond Russell, Mercatus Center, 2016
- *Do Consumer Drones Endanger the National Airspace? Evidence from Wildlife Strike Data*, with Samuel Hammond, Mercatus Center, 2016
- *Evaluating the Growth of the 1099 Workforce*, with Christopher Koopman, Mercatus Center, 2015.
- *How Many Jobs Does Intellectual Property Create?*, with Ian Robinson, Mercatus Center, 2014.
- *Why the Cybersecurity Framework Will Make Us Less Secure*, with Andrea Castillo, Mercatus Center, 2014.
- *Do High International Telecom Rates Buy Telecom Sector Growth?* Mercatus Center Working Paper, 2012.
- *Internet Security Without Law: How Service Providers Create Order Online*, Mercatus Center Working Paper, 2012.
- *Is there a Cybersecurity Market Failure?* Mercatus Center Working Paper, 2012.
- *Six Questions You Always Wanted to Ask about Africa, and Answers from Rwanda*, with Dalibor Rohac and Hemal Shal, Legatum Institute publication, 2011.

## **DIPLOMATIC SERVICE**

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- U.S. Delegation, ITU Plenipotentiary Conference Oct./Nov. 2014
- U.S. Delegation, World Telecommunication/ICT Policy Forum May 2013
- U.S. Delegation, World Conference on International Telecommunication  
December 2012

## **EXPERT TESTIMONY**

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- U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Science, Space, and Technology,  
Subcommittee on Space March 2017
- U.S. Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship March 2016
- Appropriations Committee, Virginia House of Delegates February 2010

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

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- Industrial Organization, designed and taught course Spring 2009
- Intermediate Microeconomics, designed and taught course Fall 2008
- Intermediate Microeconomics, designed and taught course Spring 2008
- Principles of Microeconomics, teaching assistant Fall 2007
- International Money and Finance, teaching assistant Fall 2007
- Economics and the Environment, teaching assistant Winter 2002