

Roger Michalski

Contact

University of Oklahoma College of Law
300 Timberdell Road
Norman, OK 73019

Telephone: 405-325-5532
Email: roger.michalski@ou.edu
Web: www.michalski.ch

Academic Appointments

University of Oklahoma College of Law
Arch B. & Jo Anne Gilbert Professorship of Law, 2023 – present
Professor of Law, 2020 – 2023
Associate Professor of Law, 2015 – 2020
Board of Governors Faculty Award, 2018
Civil Procedure, Complex Litigation, Conflict of Laws

University of Colorado Law School
Visiting Research Professor, Fall 2021

Brooklyn Law School
Visiting Assistant Professor
Civil Procedure, International Litigation & Arbitration

Education

University of California, Berkeley
J.D.
California Law Review, Book Reviews and Essays Editor
Berkeley Technology Law Journal, Article Editor

University of Michigan
Ph.D., Political Science
Concentration in Political Theory, Minor in Methodology
Horace Rackham Graduate School Regents Fellowship

University of Rochester
B.A., Philosophy & Political Science

Books

MODERN CONFLICT OF LAWS (Aspen Casebook Series) (under contract, first edition scheduled for 2026).

Journal Articles

Roger Michalski, *Personal Jurisdiction's Aberrant Theory of Consent*, Am. U. L. Rev. (forthcoming 2025).

Roger Michalski & Emily Taylor Poppe, *Civil Procedure for the Anthropocene*, 104 Boston University L. Rev. 1729 (2024).

Roger Michalski & Steven Gensler, *Altered Stakes: Reimagining the Amount in Controversy Requirement*, 109 Cornell L. Rev. 1019 (2024).

Roger Michalski, *Ethics by Appointment: An Empirical Account of Obscured Sanctioning in MDL Cases*, 74 Hastings L.J. 1373 (2023) (now known as UC Law SF Journal).

Roger Michalski, *The Pro Se Gender Gap*, 88 Brooklyn L. Rev. 563 (2023).

Roger Michalski, *Fractional Sovereignty*, 13 U.C. Irvine L. Rev. 683 (2023).

Roger Michalski, *How to Survive the Culture Wars*, 72 Am. U. L. Rev. 949 (2023).

Roger Michalski & Andrew Hammond, *Mapping the Civil Justice Gap in Federal Court*, 57 Wake Forest L. Rev. 463 (2022).

Featured on JOTWELL

Steven Gensler & Roger Michalski, *The Million Dollar Diversity Docket*, 47 BYU L. Rev. 1653 (2022).

Roger Michalski & Joshua Sellers, *Democracy on a Shoestring*, 74 Vand. L. Rev. 1079 (2021).
Winner of the 2022 AALS Distinguished Scholarship in Election Law Award

Stephen Rushin & Roger Michalski, *Police Funding*, 72 Fla. L. Rev. 277 (2020).

Featured on JOTWELL

Roger Michalski, *MDL Immunity: Lessons from the National Prescription Opiate Litigation*, 69.1 American U. L. Rev. 175 (2019).

Roger Michalski & Stephen Rushin, *Police Executive Opinions of Legal Regulation*, 2018 U. Ill. L. Rev. 1841 (2018).

Roger Michalski, *How to Sue a Robot*, 2018 Utah L. Rev. 1021 (2018).

Roger Michalski, *The Clash of Procedural Values*, 22 Lewis & Clark L. Rev. 61 (2018).

Roger Michalski & Abby Wood, *Twombly and Iqbal at the State Level*, 14 Journal of Empirical Legal Studies 424 (2017).

Roger Michalski, *Transferred Justice: An Empirical Account of Federal Transfers in the Wake of Atlantic Marine*, 53:5 Houston L. Rev. 1289 (2016).

Roger Michalski, *Trans-Personal Procedures*, 47 Conn L. Rev. 321 (2014).

Roger Michalski, *Rights come with Responsibilities: Personal Jurisdiction and Corporate Personhood*, 50 San Diego L. Rev. 125 (2013).

Roger Michalski, *Pleading and Proving Foreign Law in the Age of Plausibility Pleading*, 59 Buff. L. Rev. 1207 (2011).

Shorter Articles

Roger Michalski, *The Federal Rules of Climate Change*, Cornell L. Rev. Online (forthcoming 2025).

Roger Michalski & Stephen Rushin, *Federal (De)Funding of Local Police*, 110 Geo. L.J. Online 54 (2021).

Roger Michalski, *Tremors of Things to Come: The Great Split between Federal and State Pleading Standards*, 120 Yale L.J. Forum 109 (2010).

Roger Michalski, *Assessing Iqbal after One Year: Effects and Proposals*, Harv. L. & Pol'y Rev. Online (2010).

Other Writing

JOTWELL (Courts Law section)

In Search of a Parsimonious Model of Personal Jurisdiction

A Primer on Opioid-Epidemic Litigation

Attention Suplicants

Conflict Scholarship in Partisan Times
In a Different Voice
The Swift Completion of Their Appointed Rounds
Democratizing Dockets

Doctoral Dissertation

Creon's Secretaries: The Conceptual Foundations of the Procedural State (2009)

Grants

Open Justice Research Grant

Pilot Study on developing a "Historic Federal Dockets Database," Fall 2021, National Archives Denver (\$10,000)

Working Papers

At Least Three Impossible Certifications before Breakfast (with Steven Gensler)

Judging and Nudging (with Charlotte Alexander & Anne Tucker)

The Climate Change Injunction

Recent Presentations

Civil Procedure for the Anthropocene, Civil Procedure Workshop, May 2024

Partial Pro Se, International Access to Justice Forum, October 2023

Muted Vows: Private International Law in the Age of Zoom, 9th Journal of Private International Law Conference, August 2023

As Many as Six Impossible Certifications Before Breakfast, Civil Procedure Workshop, May 2023

Ethics by Appointment: An Empirical Account of Obscured Sanctioning in MDL Cases, Complex Litigation Ethics Conference at UC Hastings, October 2022

The Pro Se Gender Gap, Civil Procedure Workshop, May 2022

The Pro Se Gender Gap, UC Irvine Workshop, February 2022

Mapping the Civil Justice Gap in Federal Court, Law & Rurality Workshop, October 2021

The Million Dollar Diversity Docket, Emory Law School Center for Federalism and Intersystemic Governance's Conference on Federal Diversity Jurisdiction, March 2021

Mapping Pro Se Litigants, Annual Civil Procedure Workshop, October 2019

MDL Immunity: Lessons from the National Prescription Opiate Litigation, Junior Faculty Federal Courts Workshop, September 2019

MDL Immunity: Lessons from the National Prescription Opiate Litigation, Junior Faculty Forum at the University of Richmond School of Law, May 2019

MDL Immunity: Lessons from the National Prescription Opiate Litigation, Junior Faculty Federal Courts Workshop, November 2018

How to Sue a Robot, Governance of Emerging Technologies & Science (GETS): Law, Policy and Ethics, May 2018

Not How but Who: An Empirical Account of Litigation Behavior after Erie and the Promulgation of the Federal Rules, Annual Civil Procedure Workshop, October 2017

Service

Referee

Cambridge University Press
Journal of Empirical Legal Studies
Journal of Law, Economics and Organization
Yale Law Journal
Northwestern University Law Review
Law & Society Review
Law & Social Inquiry
American Journal of Comparative Law

Media

Legal Newsline, Texas can thank Republicans for home-court advantage in Google antitrust trial (January 2024)
L'Express, "Dissoudre" la police ou réduire ses moyens? (July 2023)
PolitiFact Interview (June 2021)
NPR Marketplace Interview (May 2021)
Faculti Interview (May 2021)
Le Figaro Interview (November 2019)
Fox Business, Feds launch new opioid probe (November 2019)
Washington Post, How much money will it take to undo the damage from opioids? (Oct. 2019)
KUAF National Public Radio Interview (January 2017)

Organizer

Second Conflict of Laws Workshop 2025, Norman, Oklahoma
First Conflict of Laws Workshop 2024, Salem, Oregon (co-organized with Aaron Simowitz)
Junior Faculty Federal Courts Workshop 2018, Norman, Oklahoma

Professional Service

AALS Conflict of Laws Section, Chair-Elect (2023), Chair (2024)

OU Law Committee Service

Committee A, 2024 – 2025 (member); 2025 – 2026 (chair)
Code of Academic Responsibility: Hearing Tribunal, 2025 - present
Faculty Scholarly Enrichment Committee, 2024 – present
Chess Club, Faculty Advisor, 2023 – present
Animal Legal Defense Fund Chapter, Faculty Advisor, 2023 – present
Academic Appeals Board (Grades), 2016 – 2021, 2024 – 2025
Curriculum & Scheduling Committee, 2023 – 2024
Pro Bono Committee, 2023 – 2024
Admission Committee, 2017 – 2021, 2022 – 2023
Foreign Student Advisory Committee, 2015 – 2018
Library Committee, 2015 – 2021
Faculty Appointment Committee, 2016 – 2017
Course Evaluation Committee, 2016 – 2017
Code of Academic Responsibility, 2016 – 2021

Bar Admission

California

Inactive