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## EDUCATION

- Juris Doctor** **2009**  
University of Washington School of Law, Seattle, WA
- Topics & Development Editor, *Shidler Journal of Law, Commerce & Technology*
- Bachelor of Arts in English** **2003**  
Whitman College, Walla Walla, WA

## EXPERIENCE

- Cryptography Fellow** **2015-present**  
*Center for Internet and Society, Stanford Law School*  
*Stanford, CA*
- Conduct research and analysis regarding encryption law and policy in the U.S. and other nations, as well as the benefits and detriments of strong encryption on free expression, political engagement, economic development, and other public interests, utilizing FOIA requests, other open government laws, petition to unseal sealed cases and orders, and personal interviews
  - Filed a petition in Northern California federal district court, seeking the unsealing of court's sealed surveillance docket going back to 2006; petition is only the second of its kind ever filed in the U.S.
  - Draft blog posts, articles, and other publications on encryption and surveillance policy-related issues
  - Present talks and participate in panels concerning encryption, surveillance, and cybersecurity policy
  - Cross-disciplinary collaboration at Stanford with colleagues in computer science, international studies, and other departments
- Associate** **2011-2015**  
*Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, P.C.*  
*San Francisco, CA*
- Completed in-house secondment with legal department of major social media platform; duties included managing outside counsel and guiding case strategy on various litigation matters, responding to civil and government requests for user information, and advising product counsel on privacy and user-notice issues
  - Obtained dismissal in high-profile consumer privacy case for major Internet company as junior/midlevel associate on case team; contributed to appellate-level briefing and oral argument preparation in multiple consumer privacy class actions; as lead associate, successfully litigated or settled multiple copyright, CDA § 230, and other Internet- and IP-related actions
  - Counseled startups on terms of use, privacy policies, DMCA, and other online intermediary issues
  - Conducted due diligence on privacy and copyright issues in VC and M&A matters
  - Cost-effectively managed document review, production, written discovery, and discovery disputes
  - Supervised summer associates
  - *Pro bono* activities: Member of firm's *pro bono* committee; co-coordinator of firm's asylum program; won asylum for Salvadoran client and children; *pro bono* counsel on multiple educational-equality cases against Central Valley school districts; eviction defense for low-income San Francisco residents

## Judicial Clerk

2009-2011

United States District Court

San Juan, PR

- Sole law clerk to the Honorable Bruce J. McGiverin, United States Magistrate Judge
- Authored opinions and recommendations in civil and criminal actions in diverse areas of law
- Supervised and mentored student interns
- Attended court proceedings and settlement conferences; assisted in trial management

## PUBLICATIONS

- *Everything Radiates: Does the Fourth Amendment Regulate Side-Channel Cryptanalysis?*, 49 Conn. L. Rev. 1393 (2017)
- *Liability for Triggering of Search Engine Keywords after Rescuecom*, 5 Shidler J.L. Com. & Tech. 2 (Sep. 23, 2008), at <http://www.ictjournal.washington.edu/Vol5/a02Pfefferkorn.html>
- Riana Pfefferkorn, et al., *Advocacy Strategies to Fight Eviction in Cases of Compulsive Hoarding and Cluttering*, 41 Clearinghouse Rev. 427 (Nov.-Dec. 2007)

## SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- [scheduled] *Presentation*: “Side-Channel Cryptanalysis and the Fourth Amendment.” Cyber Reading Group, Center for International Security and Cooperation (CISAC), Stanford University, Stanford, CA, January 31, 2018
- *Panel*: “State-Led Interference in Encrypted Systems: A Public Debate on Different Policy Approaches.” Carlos Alberto Afonso (*co-chair*), Cristine Hoepers (*co-chair*), Sunil Abraham, Seth Bouvier, Elinor Buxton, Demi Getschko, Nina Leemhuis Janssen, Estelle Massé, Neide Oliveira, Riana Pfefferkorn, Monica Guise Rosina, Christoph Steck, *IGF 2017: Shape Your Digital Future!*, Internet Governance Forum, Geneva, Switzerland, December 20, 2017
- *Panel*: “Local Interventions, Global Impacts: How Can International, Multistakeholder Cooperation Address Internet Disruptions, Encryption & Data Flows?” Tereza Horejsova (*chair*), Raúl Echeberría, Luis Fernando García, Paul Nicholas, Riana Pfefferkorn, Moctar Yedaly, *IGF 2017: Shape Your Digital Future!*, Internet Governance Forum, Geneva, Switzerland, December 18, 2017
- *Interview*: “A Brief History of Crypto,” Cyrus Farivar (*co-host*), Annalee Newitz (*co-host*), Riana Pfefferkorn, *Ars Technica Live*, Ars Technica, Oakland, CA, November 15, 2017
- *Keynote*: “The American Debate on Surveillance and Encryption.” *1<sup>st</sup> International Congress on Fundamental Rights and Criminal Process in the Digital Era*, InternetLab, São Paulo, Brazil, May 30, 2017
- *Presentation*: Untitled. Cybersecurity Student Working Group, Middlebury Institute of International Studies, Monterey, CA, April 27, 2017
- *Panel*: “Encryption and Activism,” Lucy Bernholz (*chair*), Cayden Mak, Riana Pfefferkorn, *SOC 11: Technology for Social Good*, Stanford Continuing Studies, Stanford University, Stanford, CA, April 25, 2017
- *Presentation*: “Government Hacking.” *LAW 328: Criminal Procedure*, UC Hastings College of the Law, San Francisco, CA, March 16, 2017
- *Panel*: “Ubiquitous Encryption and Lawful Government Access.” Kamlesh Bajaj (*chair*), Udo Helmbrecht, David O’Brien, Riana Pfefferkorn, *Global Cyberspace Cooperation Summit VII*, East-West Institute, Berkeley, CA, March 15, 2017
- *Workshop*: “Government Hacking: Law, Policy, and the Future.” Riana Pfefferkorn (*chair*), Nate Cardozo, Kenn Kern, Urmika Shah, Nicholas Weaver, *Global Cyberspace Cooperation Summit VII*, East-West Institute, Berkeley, CA, March 14, 2017
- *Panel*: “The Ethics and Impact of Surveillance and Encryption.” Molly Land (*chair*), Sahar Aziz, Maj. Gen. Charles J. Dunlap, Jr., Stephanie Pell, Riana Pfefferkorn, *Symposium: Privacy, Security &*

*Power: The State of Digital Surveillance*, Connecticut Law Review, University of Connecticut School of Law, Hartford, CT, January 27, 2017

- *Panel*: “Digital Impact: Policy and Practice for the Nonprofit Sector in 2017.” Lucy Bernholz (*chair*), Allen Gunn, Cayden Mak, Riana Pfefferkorn, Rob Reich, Stanford Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society, Stanford University, Stanford, CA, January 17, 2017
- *Panel*: “The Present and Future of Digital Privacy: The Current State of Affairs and a Look Toward the Future.” Kirsten Haigh (*chair*), Matthew Cagle, Andrew Crocker, Riana Pfefferkorn, San Francisco Bar Association, San Francisco, CA, January 10, 2017
- *Panel*: “Privacy & Security.” Michael Osborne (*chair*), Allison Berke, Alex Keller, Riana Pfefferkorn, *Behind and Beyond Big Data*, Worldview Stanford, Stanford University, Stanford, CA, December 7, 2016
- *Panel*: Untitled. Jennifer Granick, Riana Pfefferkorn, *Policy, Law, and Technology in the Current Crypto Wars*, Center for Internet and Society, Stanford Law School, Stanford, CA, November 2, 2016
- *Panel*: “Black Letter Law Tools.” Riana Pfefferkorn (*chair*), Amy Keating, Uta Kohl, Lea Bishop Shaver, Dan Svantesson, *Law, Borders, and Speech*, Stanford Law School, Stanford, CA, October 24, 2016
- *Presentation*: “When the Cops Come A-Knocking: Handling Technical Assistance Demands from Law Enforcement.” Jennifer Granick, Riana Pfefferkorn, *Black Hat USA 2016*, Las Vegas, NV, August 4, 2016
- *Panel*: “Privacy, Encryption, and Consumer Rights: A New Boardroom Challenge.” Riana Pfefferkorn (*chair*), Maureen Ohlhausen, Chris Olsen, Erika Rottenberg, *2016 Directors College*, Stanford Law School, Stanford, CA, June 21, 2016
- *Presentation*: “Encryption vs. the FBI.” *Mozilla Privacy Lab*, Mozilla, San Francisco, CA, April 27, 2016
- *Roundtable*: “Driving a Paradigm Shift Toward Human Rights-Respecting Cybersecurity Policy by Design.” Eileen Donahoe (*chair*), Richard Arbeiter, Dan Bross, Ron Deibert, Alex Keller, Judith Lichtenberg, Rebecca MacKinnon, Riana Pfefferkorn, Bruce Schneier, Nico Sell, Bernard Shen, *RightsCon Silicon Valley 2016*, Access Now, San Francisco, CA, March 31, 2016
- *Workshop*: “The Weight of Security: Measuring the Benefits of Robust Encryption.” Morgan Marquis-Boire (*co-chair*), Riana Pfefferkorn (*co-chair*), *Crypto Summit 2.0*, Access Now, San Francisco, CA, March 30, 2016
- *Presentation*: “Apple vs. the FBI: Where Does It Come From? What Is It? Where Is It Going?” Berkeley Information Privacy Law Association, UC Berkeley School of Information, Berkeley, CA, March 7, 2016
- *Panel*: “The ‘Going Dark’ Encryption Debate.” Hon. James Baker (*chair*), Richard Downing, Riana Pfefferkorn, Christopher Soghoian, Benjamin Wittes, *The Frontiers of Cybersecurity Policy and Law*, Robert Strauss Center for International Security and Law, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX, February 5, 2016

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- Wiley W. Manuel Certificate for *Pro Bono* Legal Services, State Bar of California, 2013-2015
- John Wilson Award, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, 2015
- *Pro Bono* Award, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, 2013
- Educational Equity Award, American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California, 2013
- *Magna cum laude*, Whitman College, 2003
- Phi Beta Kappa, Whitman College, 2002 (junior year)

## BAR ADMISSIONS

California; Northern and Central Districts of California; Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit