

CURRICULUM VITAE

Name: Liam Beresford Murphy

Education:

Ph.D. (philosophy), Columbia University, 1991

LL.B.(Hons), University of Melbourne, 1984

B.A.(Hons), University of Melbourne, 1982

Employment:

Herbert Peterfreund Professor of Law, New York University, 2006-

Professor of Philosophy, New York University, 2000-

Vice Dean, New York University School of Law, 2007-2010

Professor of Law, New York University, 2000-2006

Associate Professor of Law, New York University, 1998-2000

Assistant Professor of Law, New York University, 1995-98

Research Fellow, School of Law, New York University, 1994-95

Mellon Post-Doctoral Teaching Fellow, Society of Fellows in the Humanities, and

Lecturer, Department of Philosophy, Columbia University, 1990-92

Fellowships:

National Humanities Center, 2000-2001

Junior Fellow, Society of Fellows, Harvard University, 1992-1994

Whiting Fellowship in the Humanities, 1989-90

Fulbright Travel Award, 1985-90

Grants Received:

Australian Research Council Discovery Project, *Sharing the Wealth: Tax and Justice in The Slow Growth Era*, 2021-2024; partner investigator.

Publications:

Books

What Makes Law. (Cambridge and New York: Cambridge University Press, 2014).

Korean translation 2021, Geulhangari Publishing.

The Myth of Ownership: Taxes and Justice, coauthored with Thomas Nagel (New York: Oxford University Press, 2002).

Portuguese translation: *O mito da propriedade* (São Paulo: Martins Fontes, 2005).

Japanese translation, 2007

Persian translation forthcoming

Chinese translation forthcoming

Moral Demands in Nonideal Theory (New York: Oxford University Press, 2000).

Articles

“Legal Rights,” in Margaret Gilbert, Jeffrey Helmreich, and Gopal Sreenivasan, eds. *The Palgrave Handbook on the Philosophy of Rights* (forthcoming, 2025).

“What Binds?: A Comment on David Owens’ *Bound by Convention*,” *Jurisprudence* (forthcoming, 2024).

“Why Tax Wealth?”, with Thomas Nagel, *Tax Law Review* (forthcoming, 2024).

“International Responsibility for Global Environmental Harm: Collective and Individual,” in Samantha Besson, ed, *Theories of International Responsibility Law* (Cambridge University Press, 2022), 165-86.

“Nonlegislative Justification,” in Jeff McMahan, Tim Campbell, James Goodrich, and Ketan Ramakrishnan, eds, *Principles and Persons: The Legacy of Derek Parfit* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2021), 247-74.

“Disagreement about the *Kind* Law,” with Muhammad Ali Khalidi, *Jurisprudence* 12 (2021): 1-16.

"The Artificial Morality of Private Law: The Persistence of an Illusion," 70 *U. Toronto L.J.* 453 (2020).

“Purely Formal Wrongs,” in Paul B. Miller and John Oberdiek, eds, *Civil Wrongs and Justice in Private Law* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2020).

“The Formality of Contractual Obligation,” in Andrew Robertson & James Goudkamp, eds, *Form and Substance in the Law of Obligations* (Oxford: Hart Publishing, 2019), 149-63.

“The Normative Force of Law: Individuals and States,” in John Gardner, Leslie Green, and Brian Leiter, eds, *Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Law*, vol. 3 (Oxford: Oxford University Press: 2018), 87-122.

“Law beyond the State: A Rejoinder,” *European Journal of International Law* (2017) 28 (1): 265-272.

“Law beyond the State: Some Philosophical Questions,” *European Journal of International Law* (2017) 28 (1): 203-232.

"Why Does Inequality Matter?: Reflections on the Political Morality of Piketty's Capital in the Twenty-First Century," 68 *Tax L. Rev.* 613-629 (2015).

“The Practice of Promise and Contract,” in Gregory Klass, George Letsas, and Prince Saprai, eds, *Philosophical Foundations of Contract Law* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2014).

"More Than One Way to Be of Use," 45 *N.Y.U. J. Int'l L & Pol.* 821 (2013)

"International Responsibility," in Samantha Besson and John Tasioulas, eds, *Philosophy of International Law* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2010), 299-315.

"Better to See Law This Way," *NYU Law Review* 83 (2008): 1088-1108.

"Razian Concepts," *American Philosophical Association Newsletter on Philosophy and Law* 6 (2007): 27-31.

"Contract and Promise," *Harvard Law Review Forum* 120 (2007): 10-18,
<http://harvardlawreview.org/2009/10/contract-and-promise/>.

"Taxes, Property, Justice," *NYU Journal of Law and Liberty* 1 (2005): 983-2005.

"Concepts of Law," *Australian Journal of Legal Philosophy* 30 (2005):1-19.

"Author's Response to Critics," Book Symposium on *The Myth of Ownership*, *Australian Journal of Legal Philosophy* 30 (2005): 147-54.

"Taxes, Redistribution, and Public Provision," coauthored with Thomas Nagel, *Philosophy & Public Affairs* 30 (2001): 53-71. Reprinted in *The Philosopher's Annual*, vol. 24.

"Beneficence, Law, and Liberty: The Case of Required Rescue," *Georgetown Law Journal* 89 (2001): 605-65.

"The Political Question of the Concept of Law," in Jules Coleman, ed., *Hart's Postscript: Essays on the Postscript to "The Concept of Law"* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2001), 371-408.

"Comment on Scheffler's 'The Conflict Between Justice and Responsibility,'" in Ian Shapiro and Lea Brilmayer, eds., *Nomos XLI: Global Justice* (New York: New York University Press, 1999).

“Institutions and the Demands of Justice,” *Philosophy & Public Affairs* 27 (1998): 251-91. Reprinted in Tom Campbell and Alejandra Mancilla, eds., *Theories of Justice* (Ashgate, 2012).

“Help and Beneficence,” in Edward Craig, ed., *Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (London and New York: Routledge, 1998).

“A Relatively Plausible Principle of Beneficence: Reply to Mulgan,” *Philosophy and Public Affairs* 26 (1997): 80-86.

“Liberty, Equality, Well-Being: Rakowski on Wealth-Transfer Taxation,” *Tax Law Review* 51 (1996): 473-494.

“The Demands of Beneficence,” *Philosophy and Public Affairs* 22 (1993): 267-92.

Reviews

Serena Olsaretti, *Liberty, Desert, and the Market*, *Economics and Philosophy* 23 (2007): 125-131

Catherine Wilson, *Moral Animals*, *Ethics* 116 (2006): 618-22.

Robert H. Myers, *Self-Governance and Cooperation*, *Philosophical Review* 110 (2001): 609-10.

Other

“How Not to Argue About Tax Justice,” *Boston Review* October 30, 2019.

Stanford (Online) Encyclopedia of Philosophy: Co-editor, with Joseph Raz (1998-2007) and Leslie Green (2007-2010), for Philosophy of Law.

“Coercion as a Political Concept,” <http://www.cato-unbound.org/>, posted May 8, 2007.

“Tax Travesties,” coauthored with Thomas Nagel, Boston Sunday Globe, Ideas section, January 26, 2003.

“Tax Justice Reconsidered,” coauthored with Thomas Nagel, opinion piece distributed to newspapers internationally by Project Syndicate (2002).

Public Lectures:

“The Formality of Contractual Obligation,” Plenary Address, Obligations IX conference, Melbourne Law School, July, 2018

“Illusory Moral Rules: How Law Misleads us about Morality,” Herbert Morris Lecture in Law and Philosophy, University of California, Los Angeles, February 2017

“Private Law and Public Illusion,” Public Lecture, Center for Ethics and Public Affairs, The Murphy Institute, Tulane University, October 2016

“Private Law and Public Illusion,” Frankfurt Lectures at the Normative Orders Cluster of Excellence at the Goethe University, Frankfurt. Lecture One: “Artificial Morality.” Lecture Two: “The Persistence of an Illusion.” May, 2016

“Law and Social Illusion,” Annual Law and Society Lecture, Oxford University, June 2013

“What Makes Law,” Public Lecture, University of Warwick, October 2012

“Responsibility for International Aid: Individual, Collective, and State,” Public Lecture, Ethics Program Lecture Series, Agnes Scott College, April, 2012

“What is Law? And Why Does it Matter?” Kadish Lecture, University of California, Berkeley, School of Law, February 2010.

“When Legal Disagreement Runs Out,” Leon Green '15 Lecture in Jurisprudence, University of Texas, Austin, February, 2009.

“The Boundary of Law: Law, Morality, and the Concept of Law”: Public Lecture, Edmond J. Safra Foundation Center for Ethics, Harvard University, October, 2004.

Invited Workshop and Conference Presentations (since 2000):

The Myth of Ownership, Distribution, and Redistribution Conference, Kings College London, 2024; Oxford Philosophy, Law, and Politics Colloquium, 2022; Theories of International Responsibility Law Conference, Collège de France (remote), 2021; Law and Philosophy Workshop, University of Texas, Austin, School of Law, October, 2019; Faculty Workshop, York University, Toronto, Department of Philosophy, October 2019; Colloquium for Practical Philosophy, Free University, Berlin, June 2019; North American Workshop in Private Law Theory, Yale Law School, October 2018, Civil Wrongs Conference, Rutgers Law School, October, 2018, Legal Theory Workshop, Yale Law School, September, 2018; Political Theory Workshop, Washington University in St. Louis, January, 2018; Deep Disagreements: Philosophical and Legal Perspectives conference, New York, October, 2017; Freedom, Choice, and Contract conference, Columbia Law School, October, 2017; Colloquium for Practical Philosophy, Free University, Berlin, July 2017; NYU Ethics Forum, April, 2017; Seminar Series, Center for Ethics, University of Toronto, March, 2017; Philosophy Department Colloquium, Binghamton University, January, 2017; Colloquium in Legal and Political Philosophy, Queens University, November, 2016; Yale-UCL Workshop on the Philosophy of Contract, Yale University, September, 2016; Faculty Seminar, Research Group on Law and Justice, Carlos III University, Madrid, April, 2016; Legal and Political Theory Forum, London School of Economics, March, 2016; Legal Theory Workshop, University of Melbourne Law School, June, 2015; NYU/UCLA Tax Policy Symposium, on Thomas Piketty's *Capital in the Twenty-First Century*, October 2014; Faculty Seminar, Center for the Study of European Contract Law, University of Amsterdam, June 2013; Philosophical Foundations of Contract Law Conference, University College London, May 2013; Law and Philosophy Colloquium, Harvard University, February, 2013; Legal and Political Theory Forum, London School of Economics, October, 2012; Responsibility and International Law Conference, University of Warwick, October, 2012; International Law Workshop, Harvard Law School, September, 2012, New Directions in Political Philosophy, New York University, October, 2011; Faculty Workshop, Program in Ethics and Public Affairs, Princeton University, September, 2011; Authority, Legality, and Legitimacy Conference, University of Vienna, School of Law, May, 2011; Legal Theory Workshop, University of Toronto School of Law, April, 2011; Legal Theory Workshop, University of California, Los Angeles, School of Law, February 2011; Political Theory Workshop, Stanford University, Department of Political Science, February 2011; Workshop in Law, Philosophy, and Political Theory, University of California at Berkeley, School of Law, April, 2008; Faculty Workshop, University of Washington, Seattle, Department of Philosophy, April, 2008; Legal Theory Workshop, Yale Law School, October 2007; Faculty Workshop, Pontifical Catholic University, Rio de Janeiro, School of Law, June, 2007; *Ethics Week 2007*, Baruch College, March, 2007; The Oxford – UCL Colloquium in Legal Theory, University College London, November, 2006; Legal Theory Workshop, University of California, Los Angeles, April, 2006; Faculty Workshop, Queen's University, School of Law, March, 2006; Faculty Workshop, Queen's University, Department of Philosophy, March, 2006. Program in Philosophy, Politics and Economics, Duke University and University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, February, 2006; Keynote address, Australian Society of Legal Philosophy, Annual Conference, Melbourne, December, 2004; Symposium on *The Myth of Ownership*, Introductory Remarks and Replies to Critics, Australian Society of Legal Philosophy, Annual Conference, Melbourne, December, 2004; Joint Bioethics Colloquium, National Institutes of Health, February, 2004; Conference on Methodology in Jurisprudence, University of Texas, Austin, November, 2004; Symposium on Private Property & the Rule of Law, *NYU Journal of Law and Liberty*, NYU School of Law, November, 2004; Faculty

Workshop, University of Pennsylvania, School of Law, November, 2003; Seminar in Ethics and Public Affairs, Princeton University, April, 2003; Faculty Workshop, Duke Law School, April, 2003 and April, 2001; Faculty Workshop, Harvard University, Department of Philosophy, April, 2003; Faculty Workshop, University of Toronto School of Law, March, 2003; Politics, Law, and Society Seminar, University College London, March, 2001; Faculty Workshop, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, School of Law, September 2000; Analytical Legal Philosophy Conference, Columbia University, April, 2000; Distributive Justice Colloquium, Stanford Law School, February, 2000.

Professional Service:

Member of the Editorial Board, *Philosophy & Public Affairs* (2004-); Associate Editor, *Philosophy & Public Affairs* (2002-4)

Manuscript reviewer for Cambridge University Press and Oxford University Press; article reviewer for *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *American Journal of International Law*, *European Journal of International Law*, *Ethics*, *International Journal of Constitutional Law*, *The Journal of Ethics*, *Oxford Journal of Legal Studies*, *Moral Philosophy and Politics*, *The Journal of Political Philosophy*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Nous*, *Social Theory and Practice*, and *Legal Theory*.

Memberships:

American Philosophical Association

American Society of Legal and Political Philosophy

Australian Society of Legal Philosophy