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PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Citizenship: USA and Israel

Marital status: Married

Number of children: 2

EDUCATION:

PhD Candidate in Medieval Jewish History, Bernard Revel Graduate School

2014, Rabbinic Ordination, Rabbi Isaac Elhanan Theological Seminary

2011, MA in Medieval Jewish History, Bernard Revel Graduate School

- MA Project: “The Derashot and Perushim of R. Jonah Gerondi on the Pentateuch: Characterizing Anonymity”

2007, BA in Economics, Magna Cum Laude, Yeshiva University

TRANSLATION EXPERIENCE (HEBREW INTO ENGLISH):

- Moshe Halbertal, *By Way of Truth: Nahmanides and the Invention of Tradition* (Yale University Press, forthcoming)
- Yaakov Sussman, “‘Oral Torah’—Literally: The Power of the Tittle of the *Yod*” (forthcoming)
- Nahum Danzig, “From Oral Talmud to Written Talmud: On the Transmission and Study of the Babylonian Talmud in the Middle Ages” (forthcoming)
- Shlomo Goren, “Is a Jewish Constitution Possible?” in *Jewish Legal Theories*, eds. Leora Batnitzky and Yonatan Brafman (Waltham, Mass.: Brandeis University Press, 2018)
- Five articles in *Essays for a Jewish Lifetime: Burton D. Morris Jubilee Volume*, eds. Menachem Butler and Marian E. Frankston (New York: Hakirah Press, forthcoming):
 - (1) Noam Zadoff, “Gershom Scholem and Joseph Weiss: A Teacher and his Student”
 - (2) Liron Hoch, “Are Women Also Created in the Image of God? The View of Don Isaac Abarbanel”
 - (3) Simcha Emanuel, “Pereq Hoq Ha-Yom”
 - (4) Marcin Wodzinski, “Hasidic Lampoon from the Nineteenth Century”
 - (5) Avraham Reiner, “Rabbenu Tam and Henry Count of Champagne”
- Several documents for Jonathan Zalman, “A Farewell to Eitam Henkin, From His Professor,” *Tablet Magazine*, 27 October 2015 (first published on *The Seforim Blog*, 26 October 2015)
- Transcribed, translated, and annotated 23 letters, broadsides, and other literary materials from the private collection of Dr. Ari Bergmann and other sources for Yeshiva University Museum’s “Field of Dreams” exhibition (June 2015-January 2016)
- R. Aharon Kotler’s approbation to *Sefer Ruach Eliyahu*

- Nathan Kamenetsky, “‘Is Taking My Husband Not Enough?’ (Gen 30:15),” *The Seforim Blog*, 26 November 2014
- Mark Oppenheimer, “The Beggars of Lakewood,” *New York Times Magazine*, 16 October 2014
- One article in Moshe Bar-Asher, *Studies in Classical Hebrew* (Berlin: De Gruyter, 2014)

EDITING EXPERIENCE:

- Copyedited publications include:
 - (1) *Proclaim Liberty Throughout All the Land, The Hebrew Bible in the United States: A Sourcebook* (The Toby Press, forthcoming)
 - (2) *Books of the People: Revisiting Classic Works of Jewish Thought* (Maggid Press, 2017)
 - (3) *What America Owes the Jews, What Jews Owe America* (The Toby Press, 2017)
 - (4) *Torah and Western Thought: Intellectual Portraits of Orthodoxy and Modernity* (Maggid Press, 2016)
- Edited the translation and updated the bibliography for Ephraim Shoham-Steiner, *On the Margins of a Minority* (Detroit: Wayne State University Press, 2014)
- Edited and critiqued multiple articles for Aaron Levine, ed., *The Oxford Handbook of Judaism and Economics* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2010)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

2012-2017, Research Director/Consultant, Straus Center at Yeshiva University

- Researched various topics spanning the entire length of Jewish and American history, copyedited publications, drafted “Director’s Report,” staffed events

2016, Freelance Researcher, Private Collector of Judaica

- Researched the provenance of manuscripts related to Moses Maimonides in order to write catalog entries that situated them in their historical context and assessed their potential importance to the relevant field of scholarship

2015, Curatorial Researcher and Scholarly Advisor, Yeshiva University Museum

- Guided and advised on the narrative and interpretive plan for an original exhibition titled “Field of Dreams,” researched 23 Hebrew manuscript letters and liaised with Israeli *moshavot* archivists, trained docents for the purpose of public tours and programs

2008-2009, Full-time Intern, Beth Din of America

- Researched unresolved “forsaken wife” cases and facilitated their resolutions, arranged and observed proceedings, drafted correspondence to and mediated between parties

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

2013-2016, Adjunct Professor, Yeshiva University

- Survey of medieval Jewish history

2013-2016, Private tutor for high school students, New York

2013, Instructor, Drisha Institute for Jewish Education

- Biblical exegesis of Nahmanides

2012, Substitute Teacher, Yeshiva University

- Biblical Hebrew

2012, TA, Bernard Revel Graduate School

- Medieval biblical exegesis

2007-2008, Sanford Lurie Scholar, Jewish Center University, New York, NY, 2007-2008

2006, Summer Scholar, Or Torah

2005, Rabbinic Intern, Riverdale Jewish Center

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:

2013-2015, Trustee, Mt. Sinai Jewish Center

- Sat on the executive board of a synagogue with several hundred members

2011-2014, Student Liaison, Bernard Revel Graduate School

- Aided and guided students toward completion of their respective degrees, served as the voice of the student body to relay concerns to the administration

2009, Counselor for at-risk adolescents, Lauder ToraZentrum in Leipzig

ACADEMIC AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND FELLOWSHIPS:

2013-2014, Doctoral Scholar-in-Residence, Tikvah at NYU Law School

2011-2014, Leadership Training Fellowship, Bernard Revel Graduate School

2011-2013, Graduate Fellowship in Jurisprudence, Cardozo Law School

2010-2013, Mozes S. Schupf Foundation Fellowship, Bernard Revel Graduate School

2008-2010, Bernard Revel Graduate School Fellowship

2007, Frank Shavitz Memorial Award for Excellence in Talmud, Yeshiva University

2007, Edward A. Rothman Memorial Award for Best Essay, Yeshiva University

2007, Malka Fishaut Memorial Award for Excellence in Jewish Studies, Yeshiva University

2007, Departmental Award for Excellence in Economics, Yeshiva University

2004-2007, Dean's Scholarship, Yeshiva University

SEMINAR & PROGRAM PARTICIPATION:

2016 (Spring), The Shalom Spiegel Institute for Medieval Hebrew Poetry, JTS

2014 (July-August), Summer Tikvah Advanced Institute

2014 (May), Lehmann Workshop on the History of the Jewish Book, University of Pennsylvania

2012-2013, Graduate Workshop on Jewish Law and Methodology

2012 (July), Graduate Summer School in Jewish Studies, the Hebrew University and University of Pennsylvania Institute of Advanced Studies

2012 (June), The Shalom Spiegel Institute for Medieval Hebrew Poetry, JTS

READING LANGUAGES:

Aramaic, French, German (basic), Hebrew, Latin, Spanish