

LISA GROW

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EDUCATION

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL, J.D., *summa cum laude*, June 1997

Honors: 1997 Fay Diploma winner (awarded to top graduate)
1995 and 1996 Sears Prize Winner (awarded to top two students in class)
First student to graduate *summa cum laude* in fifteen years
First woman to graduate *summa cum laude*, and first woman to
graduate first in class

Activities: *Harvard Law Review*, Notes Chair
Harvard Journal of Law & Public Policy, Senior Editor
Harvard Journal of Law & Technology, Editor
Harvard Defenders

UNIVERSITY OF UTAH, B.S., Chemistry, *summa cum laude*, June 1994

Honors: United States Presidential Scholar
Barry M. Goldwater Scholar in Mathematics, Science & Engineering
University of Utah Presidential Scholar, Kennecott Scholar
American Chemical Society and CRC Chemistry Achievement Awards
GPA 4.0/4.0

Activities: ACCESS science scholarship and research program
Co-Director, Students Against Hunger, Bennion Community Service Center
Community issues columnist, *The Daily Utah Chronicle*

WORK EXPERIENCE

BYU LAW SCHOOL, Provo, UT 2008 – Present
Howard W. Hunter Professor of Law. Teach Disaster Law, Constitutional Law,
Election Law, and Torts. Scholarly work focuses on disaster law.

TEMPLE/TSINGHUA UNIVERSITY MASTERS IN LAW PROGRAM, Beijing, China Fall 2006
Visiting Professor. Taught United States Civil Procedure to Chinese judges, government
officials, and other legal professionals earning their masters in law.

STANFORD LAW SCHOOL, Palo Alto, CA 1999 – 2001, 2004
Lecturer in Law. Taught Administrative Law and Federal Jurisdiction.

CHAMBERS OF THE HONORABLE JUSTICE ANTHONY M. KENNEDY 1998 – 1999
UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT, Washington, D.C.
Law Clerk, October Term 1998.

CHAMBERS OF THE HONORABLE JUDGE J. MICHAEL LUTTIG
UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT, Alexandria, VA
Law Clerk.

1997 – 1998

PUBLICATIONS

Articles

Douglas M. Spencer, Lisa Grow, Brigham Daniels, Chantel Sloan & Natalie Blades, *Survival Voting and Minority Political Rights*, 71 AM. U. L. REV. 2319 (2022)

Lisa Grow et al., *Disaster Vulnerability*, 63 B.C. LAW. REV. 957 (2022)

RonNell Andersen Jones & Lisa Grow Sun, *Freedom of the Press in Post-Truthism America*, 98 WASH. U. L. REV. 419 (2020)

Brigham Daniels, Michalyn Steele & Lisa Grow Sun, *Just Environmentalism*, 37 YALE L. & POL'Y REV. 1 (2018)

RonNell Andersen Jones & Lisa Grow Sun, *Enemy Construction and the Press*, 49 ARIZ. ST. L. J. 1301 (2017)

Lisa Grow Sun & Brigham Daniels, *Externality Entrepreneurism*, 50 U.C. DAVIS L. REV. 321 (2016)

Lisa Grow Sun & Brigham Daniels, *Mirrored Externalities*, 90 NOTRE DAME L. REV. 135 (2014)

Lisa Grow Sun & RonNell Andersen Jones, *Disaggregating Disasters*, 60 U.C.L.A. L. REV. 884 (2013)

Lisa Grow Sun, *Disaster Mythology and the Law*, 96 CORNELL L. REV. 1131 (2011)

Lisa Grow Sun, *Smart Growth in Dumb Places: Sustainability, Disaster, and the Future of the American City*, 2011 BYU L. REV. 2157 (symposium)

Lisa Grow Sun, *Disaster Mythology and Availability Cascades*, 23 DUKE ENV'T'L. L. & POL'Y F. 73 (2012) (symposium)

Books

DANIEL A. FARBER, JIM CHEN, ROBERT R.M. VERCHICK, & LISA GROW SUN, *DISASTER LAW AND POLICY* (3d ed., Aspen 2015)

DANIEL A. FARBER, JIM CHEN, ROBERT R.M. VERCHICK, & LISA GROW SUN, *DISASTER LAW AND POLICY* (2d ed., Aspen 2009)

Book Chapters and other Publications

Lisa Grow (with coauthors), Op-Ed., *President Trump's Spending Freezes Violate Separation of Powers and Federal Law*, DESERET NEWS, Mar. 13, 2025

Lisa Grow (with coauthors), Op-Ed., *Why Everyone Should Care about the Constitution's Separation of Powers*, DESERET NEWS, Feb. 19, 2025

Lisa Grow (with coauthors), Op-Ed., *Eliminating Birthright Citizenship Bypasses the Constitution and Legal Precedent*, DESERET NEWS, Feb. 13, 2025

Daniel Farber & Lisa Grow, *Foreword*, in *THE CAMBRIDGE HANDBOOK OF DISASTER LAW AND POLICY: RISK, RECOVERY, AND REDEVELOPMENT* (John Travis Marshall, Ryan Rowberry & Susan S. Kuo eds., 2022)

Lisa Grow, *"The Great Check": Reflections on Disaster and Faith*, in *EVERY NEEDFUL THING: ESSAYS ON THE LIFE OF THE MIND AND THE HEART* (Melissa Wei-Tsing Inouye & Kate Holbrook eds., 2022)

Lisa Grow Sun, Op-Ed., *We Could Again Stand on the 'Brink of Constitutional Crisis' if We Don't Reform the Electoral Count Act*, DESERET NEWS, July 6, 2022

RonNell Andersen Jones & Lisa Grow Sun, *Repairing the Damage: President Biden and the Press*, 2021 U. ILL. L. REV. ONLINE: Biden 100 Days Symposium (April 30, 2021), <https://www.illinoislawreview.org/symposium/first-100-days-biden/repairing-the-damage/>

Lisa Grow Sun, *Disaster Law and Order*, in *THE RESEARCH HANDBOOK ON CLIMATE DISASTER LAW: BARRIERS AND OPPORTUNITIES* 133-47 (Rosemary Lyster & Robert R.M. Verchick eds., 2018)

RonNell Andersen Jones & Lisa Grow Sun, *Making an Enemy of the Press*, 2017 U. ILL. L. REV. ONLINE: Trump 100 Days Symposium (April 29, 2017), <https://illinoislawreview.org/symposium/first-100-days/making-an-enemy-of-the-press/>

Lisa Grow Sun, *Climate Change and the Narrative of Disaster*, in *THE ROLE OF INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW IN DISASTER RISK REDUCTION* 29-48 (Jacqueline Peel & David Fisher eds., 2016)

Lisa Grow Sun & Brandon Curtis, *Urban Planning and Climate Change*, in *CLIMATE CHANGE LAW* 649-660 (Daniel A. Farber & Margan Peeters eds., 2016)

Lisa Grow Sun & Ronnell Andersen Jones, *War Rhetoric and Disaster Transparency*, in RISK ANALYSIS OF NATURAL HAZARDS: INTERDISCIPLINARY CHALLENGES AND INTEGRATED SOLUTIONS 199-219 (Paulo Gardoni et al. eds., 2015)

SPECIAL ISSUE: CASSANDRA'S CURSE: THE LAW AND FORESEEABLE FUTURE DISASTERS (Austin Sarat, series ed., Lloyd Burton & Lisa Grow Sun, issue eds., 2015)

Lisa Grow Sun & Lloyd Burton, *Introduction: The Myths We Live (And Die) By*, in SPECIAL ISSUE: CASSANDRA'S CURSE: THE LAW AND FORESEEABLE FUTURE DISASTERS 1-13 (Austin Sarat, series ed., Lloyd Burton & Lisa Grow Sun, issue eds., 2015)

Lisa Grow Sun & Sabrina McCormick, *Foreseeable Disaster Mismanagement in a Changing Climate*, in SPECIAL ISSUE: CASSANDRA'S CURSE: THE LAW AND FORESEEABLE FUTURE DISASTERS 65-93 (Austin Sarat, series ed., Lloyd Burton & Lisa Grow Sun, issue eds., 2015) (peer reviewed)

Lisa Grow Sun, *Disaster Mythology and Availability Cascades*, in DISASTER AND SOCIOLEGAL STUDIES (Sterrett, Susan, ed., 2013) (peer reviewed). Also available in online peer-reviewed journal, *Oñati Socio-Legal Series*, v. 3, n. 2, 277-292 (2013), available at: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=2221283>

Lisa Grow Sun, Op-Ed., *Disasters Bring Out the Best in People*, SALT LAKE TRIB., Mar. 26, 2011

SELECTED SPEECHES, LECTURES, AND PRESENTATIONS

Commentator on Erwin Chemerinsky's lecture on "Chill: How the Supreme Court Inadequately and Inconsistently Deals with the Concept of Chilling of Speech," J. Clifford Wallace Lecture Series, Berkeley Law School, April 14, 2025

Panelist, "Smoke on the Horizon: Worsening Wildfires," Wallace Stegner Center 30th Annual Symposium, University of Utah, Mar. 21, 2025

Lunch Keynote Speaker, "Current Challenges in Disaster Law & Policy," Disaster Law & Policy Global Perspectives Symposium, Georgia State University College of Law, Feb. 2, 2023

Panelist, "Executive Actions in Emergencies," ABA Annual Administrative Law Conference, Dec. 2, 2022

Moderator/Panelist, Open Plenary Session on Reimagining Risk and Resilience, 12th National Conference on Earthquake Engineering, Earthquake Engineering Research Institute (EERI), Salt Lake City, Utah, June 28, 2022

Panelist, “Earthquake Response in Small Town USA,” 12th National Conference on Earthquake Engineering, Earthquake Engineering Research Institute (EERI), Salt Lake City, Utah, June 28, 2022

Panelist, “Law and Community Resilience,” on ASCE Community Resiliency Infrastructure Protocol (CRISP) Panel, UCLA & ASCE LifeLines Conference, Feb. 7, 2022 (virtual)

Panelist, “The Rule of Law and Global Pandemics,” Rule of Law Town Hall, International Bar Association & Sandra Day O’Connor Institute, Sept. 30, 2020 (virtual)

Panelist, “Federal Executive Power and COVID-19,” COVID-19 & the Law, Federalist Society Virtual Conference, June 11, 2020

Screenwriter & Narrator, “Does the National Emergencies Act Increase Presidential Power,” Academic Video, Federalist Society Series, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6G7uJ3Ea52U>

Screenwriter & Narrator, “Does the Stafford Act Cover Pandemics,” Academic Video, Federalist Society Series, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GQf8hxZpmUA>

Presenter, “Freedom of the Press in Post-Truthism America,” Rocky Mountain First Amendment Workshop, April 10, 2020 (virtual)

Presenter, “Just Environmentalism,” Fifth Annual Sustainability Conference of American Legal Educators, Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law, Arizona State University, Phoenix, Arizona, May 10, 2019

Presented (with RonNell Andersen Jones), “Freedom of the Press in Post-Truthism America,” Yale Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, Yale Law School, New Haven, Connecticut, April 27, 2019

Presenter, “Emergency Power in an Era of ‘Enemies,’” University of Utah Law & Biomedicine Colloquium, University of Utah Law School, Salt Lake City, Utah, Jan. 16, 2019

Interviewee, “The Press, the President, and Enemy Construction,” Amicus Podcast (hosted by Dahlia Lithwick), Sept. 29, 2018

Panelist, “Disaster Accountability: Unraveling the Nature of Catastrophe,” 2018 Natural Hazards Workshop, University of Colorado at Boulder, July 10, 2018

Presenter, “Just Environmentalism,” UCLA Climate and Energy Workshop, UCLA Law School, Los Angeles, California, Feb. 1, 2018

Plenary Panelist (with RonNell Andersen Jones), “Enemy Construction and the Press,” Yale Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, Yale Law School, New Haven, Connecticut, April 29, 2017

Presenter, “Just Environmentalism,” Conference on Emerging Issues at the Intersection of Energy and Coastal Environmental Hazards, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, March 31, 2017

Panelist, Clerking on the Supreme Court, Stanford Law School, Stanford, California, February 4, 2017

Presenter, “Mormonism 101,” Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, November 29, 2016

Organizer and Presenter, “Regional Planning and Disasters,” Roundtable on New Challenges in Disaster Law & Climate Change Adaptation, 2016 International Conference on Law & Society, Seattle, Washington, June 2, 2016

Paper Presenter, “Externality Entrepreneurism,” Faculty Speaker Series, U.C. Davis Law School, Davis, California, March 7, 2016

Moderator and Commenter, "International Law and Disasters" Panel, at International Law Weekend-West, American Branch of the International Law Association, BYU Law School, Provo, Utah, January 29, 2016

Panelist, “Climate Change and Disaster Narratives,” Valparaiso Law Review Symposium, Nov. 6, 2015, Valparaiso, Indiana

Presenter, “Human Agency and Disaster Narratives,” Roundtable on Disasters & The Lessons of Katrina, 2015 International Conference on Law & Society, Seattle, Washington, May 28, 2015

Panelist, “Narrating Disaster: The Limits of Disaster,” at “How Can International Law Reduce Disaster Risks?” Conference, Stanford Law School, Palo Alto, California, May 21, 2015

Panelist, “The Resilience Paradox,” First Annual Sustainability Conference of American Legal Educators, Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law, Arizona State University, Phoenix, Arizona, May 8, 2015

Presenter, “Regional Visioning and Citizen Science,” Citizen Science 2015 Inaugural Conference (preconference of the American Association for the Advancement of Science annual conference), San Jose, California, February 12, 2015

Paper Presenter, “Mirrored Externalities and Externality Entrepreneurism,” Faculty Colloquium Series, University of Loyola New Orleans Law School, New Orleans, Louisiana, October 7, 2014

Paper Presenter, “War Rhetoric and Disaster Transparency” Faculty Colloquium Series, University of Illinois Law School, Champaign, Illinois, September 9, 2014

Panelist, “The Year in Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Law,” 2014 Natural Hazards Workshop, University of Colorado at Boulder, June 23, 2014

Paper Presenter, “Mirrored Externalities,” Denver Environmental Law Workshop, University of Denver Law School, April 7, 2014

Paper Presenter, “Mirrored Externalities,” Faculty Colloquium Series, University of South Carolina Law School, March 25, 2014

Panelist, Plenary Session on “Hazard Mitigation Options Affected the Supreme Court in 2013: *Koontz* and Other Game Changers,” 2013 International Hazards Mitigation Symposium, held in conjunction with the 2013 Natural Hazards Workshop, University of Colorado, Boulder, July 16, 2013

Presenter, “A Typology of Disaster Response Failures,” Roundtable on The Law and Foreseeable Future Disasters, 2013 International Conference on Law & Society, Boston, Massachusetts, May 30, 2013

Chair & Discussant, “Responding to Disasters and Preventing Them,” 2013 International Conference on Law & Society, Boston, Massachusetts, May 30, 2013

Panelist, “Plenary Panel on Achieving Sustainable Communities,” 2013 Consortium Annual Conference on Legal & Policy Pathways for Energy Innovation, University of Minnesota Law School, April 25, 2013

Speaker, “Disaster Wars: War Metaphors and Disaster Response,” University of California, Irvine Lecture Series on Disaster Law, March 28, 2013

Paper Presenter, “Disaggregating Disasters,” Faculty Speaker Series, Notre Dame Law School, Sept. 28, 2012

Moderator, Disaster Federalism, 2012 Association of American Law Schools Mid-Year Meeting on Torts, Environment, and Disaster, Oakland, California, June 10, 2012

Presenter and Moderator, Psychology of Disaster, “Disasters, Myths, and War Rhetoric,” 2012 Association of American Law Schools Mid-Year Meeting on Torts, Environment, and Disaster, Oakland, California, June 9, 2012

Presenter, “Disasters as War and Government Secrecy,” in Roundtable on Disasters, 2012 International Conference on Law & Society, Honolulu, Hawaii, June 5, 2012

Speaker, “Disaster Mythology and Disaster Information Flow,” 2012 Utah Appellate Judicial Conference, May 4, 2012

Speaker, “Disaster Mythology and Disaster Decisionmaking: Panic, Trust, and the Flow of

Information in Disasters,” First Annual Smeal Risk Management Symposium: Risk and Catastrophe, Penn State, April 30, 2012

Presenter and Panelist, “Flood Hazards and Land Use,” Conference on the Aftermath of Hurricane Irene: Law and Policy Lessons for the Future, Vermont Law School, April 20, 2012

Presenter and Panelist, “Urban Renewal and Climate Justice,” Association of American Law Schools 2012 Annual Meeting, Section on Environmental Law, Jan. 7, 2012

Keynote Address Presenter, “The Flow of Information During U.S. Disasters,” Law and Chaos Conference sponsored by the European Science Foundation, University of Copenhagen, Denmark, Dec. 9, 2011

Paper Presenter, “Disasters Myths and Availability Cascades,” Disasters and Sociolegal Studies Workshop, International Institute for the Sociology of Law, Oñati, Spain, July 22, 2011

Paper Presenter and Conference Organizer, “Disasters and the Environment,” Brigham Young University Law School, Feb. 3-4, 2011

Presenter and Panelist, “Administrative Law and Emergency Governance,” Association of American Law Schools 2011 Annual Meeting, Section on Administrative Law, Jan. 8, 2011

Paper Presenter, “Disaster Mythology and the Law,” 2010 Rocky Mountain Junior Scholars Forum, University of Utah Law School, Sept. 24, 2010

Presenter and Panelist, “Slippery Like Oil: Presidential Power and Disaster Decision-Making,” 35th Annual Natural Hazards Research and Applications Workshop, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado at Boulder, July 12, 2010

Presenter and Panelist, “Getting Past Maybe: Planning for Legal Hazards Through the Disaster Cycle,” 35th Annual Natural Hazards Research and Applications Workshop, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado at Boulder, July 11, 2010

Speaker, “Disaster Mythology and the Future of Disasters,” 2010 BYU State and Local Government Law Conference, March 19, 2010

Panelist, Supreme Court Review, 2010 BYU State and Local Government Law Conference, March 19, 2010

Paper Presenter, “Disaster Mythology and the Law,” J. Reuben Clark Law Society Mini-Conference, Loyola New Orleans, January 6, 2010

Speaker, “The Future of Disasters and Disaster Mythology,” Phoenix Chapter of the J. Reuben Clark Law Society, November 12, 2009

Commentator, Rocky Mountain Junior Scholars Forum, BYU, September 24-25, 2009

Presenter and Panelist, "Legal Authority & Perceived Liability in Disaster Response," 34th Annual Natural Hazards Research and Applications Workshop, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado at Boulder, July 18, 2009

Reporter to Plenary Session, The Law & Catastrophic Disasters: Legal Issues in the Aftermath Conference, March 6, 2009

Speaker, "Disaster Mythology and the Law," J. Reuben Clark Law Society Annual Conference, Harvard Law School, February 14, 2009

Keynote Speaker, "Law as a Calling," BYU Law Conference, January 31, 2009

Panelist, "Is Justice for Sale?," 5th Annual Orrin G. Hatch Distinguished Trial Lawyer Lecture Series, November 7, 2008

Speaker, "Establishing and Managing a Law Review," Tsinghua University Law Review, June 8, 2006

Speaker, "Legal Scholarship and Student-Edited Journals," Peking University Law Review, April 8, 2006

Televised Speaker, Brigham Young University National Women's Conference, April 29, 2005

Panelist, "Challenges for a New Generation of Women Lawyers," Brigham Young University, October 15, 2004

Speaker, "Recent Supreme Court Cases: The United States Supreme Court and Family Law," Utah Continuing Legal Education, October 14, 2004

Speaker and Panelist, First Annual National LDS Law Students Conference, Harvard Law School, February 14, 2004

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Co-Chair, Envision Utah Disaster Resilience Project

Director, Utah Chapter, Earthquake Engineering Research Institute (EERI)

Chair, Utah Department of Public Safety Evaluation Committee, Cox Administration Transition Team, Nov-Dec 2020

Co-Chair, Utah Governor's Taskforce on Energy and Disaster Resilience

Planning Committee Member, 2012 Mid-Year Meeting on Torts, Environment, and Disasters, American Association of Law Schools

Co-Chair, Hazards Subcommittee, State and Local Government Law Section, American Bar Association, 2009 – 2012

Guest Blogger, Concurring Opinions, *Katrina's Lessons for Haiti*, January 20, 2010, available at <http://www.concurringopinions.com/archives/2010/01/sun-on-katrinass-lessons-for-haiti.html>

Member, Envision Utah Board, 2009 – present

Consultant, various law firms on appellate briefs, judicial argument moot courts, and Supreme Court petitions for certiorari

Member, Academic Advisory Subcommittee for ConSource (www.consource.org), 2006 – 2009

Member, California Bar

Consultant to Peking University Law Review and Tsinghua University Law Reviews, 2006 – 2007