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Previous Academic Appointments

University of Pittsburgh Law School - Assistant and Associate Professor of Law
University of California Berkeley Law School - Lecturer

Previous Employment

Morrison and Foerster (San Francisco, California) - Associate
Kirkpatrick and Lockhart (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania) – Associate

Courses Taught

1L Sections: Torts, Criminal Law
Seminar: Stereotypes, Prejudice, and The Rule of Law

Education

J.D. UC Berkeley
A.B. Harvard

Boards of Directors

Director: ACLU of Southern California

The American Civil Liberties Union defends the fundamental rights outlined in the United States Constitution and the Bill of Rights, including the right to freedom of speech and assembly, the right to religious freedom, due process of law, equality before the law and the right to privacy. It seeks to extend these rights to those still fighting for them, including women, people of color, the poor, members of the LGBTQ+ community, people experiencing homelessness, people in prison and children in the custody of the state, members of minority religions.

Secretary: LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTION PARTNERSHIP (LEAP)

An international 501(c)(3) nonprofit of police, prosecutors, judges, corrections officials, and other law enforcement officials advocating for criminal justice and drug policy reforms that will make our communities safer and more just. To that end, LEAP seeks to rebuild trust between the police and the public, which has been damaged severely by unjust criminal justice policies. LEAP's speaker bureau numbers more than 200 criminal justice professionals advising on police-community relations, incarceration, harm reduction, drug policy, and global issues from a place of unassailable credibility and insight.

Director: *Los Angeles Review of Books* (LARB)

A 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to promoting and disseminating rigorous, incisive, and engaging writing on every aspect of literature, culture, and the arts. LARB seeks to revive and reinvent the book review for the internet. It publishes new reviews, essays, and interviews online every day, as well as a print journal and collection of independent sister magazines covering genres as diverse as sports, philosophy, and performance art. Its civic arts programs include the LARB/USC Publishing Workshop, designed to advance the next generation of editors and publishers. It also offers events and public arts programs that connect writers and artists to readers in L.A. and across the globe.

Awards and Honors

Tobias Simon Eminent Scholar, Florida State University College of Law
Taught a 3-credit course titled *Race Ipsa Loquitur: Race, Law, Language, and the Performing Arts* centered on my books, articles, plays, film, written commentary, and performances. August through December, 2021

USC Academic Senate *Walter Wolf Award for Defense of Academic Freedom and Faculty Rights*

“The Walter Wolf Award is to be bestowed on a USC faculty member for defense and advocacy of academic freedom or for other manifestations of social conscience, through distinguished faculty service, teaching, scholarship, or activity as a public intellectual.” 2021

Fellow, The Los Angeles Institute for the Humanities (LAIH)

Sponsored by the Dornsife College of Letters, Arts, and Science at the University of Southern California, the Institute’s purpose is to stimulate a cross-disciplinary exchange of ideas.

Western Regional Black Law Students Association (WRBLSA) Professor of the Year

WRBLSA represents 40 law schools and over 325 members from Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, New Mexico, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, and Washington January 11, 2020

The Los Angeles Community Action Network (LA CAN) *Freedom Now Award*.

LA CAN works to empower and mobilize the Skid Row community using an abolitionist framework that focuses on structural racism & inequality June 25, 2017

USC Academic Senate *Distinguished Faculty Service Award*

For lifetime service to the Faculty of the University of Southern California, particularly on Campus Climate, Diversity and Inclusion 2017

Soros Justice Senior Fellow of The Open Society Institute's Center on Crime, Communities and Culture

PUBLICATIONS, PLAYS & SCHOLARLY DOCUMENTARY

Books

*N*gga Theory: Race, Language, Unequal Justice, and the Law*

Los Angeles Review of Books (LARB), 2020

KIRKUS REVIEWS BEST BOOK OF 2020

Amazon Best Seller in three categories: Courts and Law; Discrimination Constitutional Law; and Rap Musicⁱ

Book Talks for *N*gga Theory*: University of Texas Law School (November 5, 2020), Colorado University Law School (September 11, 2020), Chevalier's Books (with writer, attorney, & advocate Lara Bazelon), KPCC AirTalk with Larry Mantle, Spectrum News Inside the Issues with Alex Cohen, The Nation Podcast (with Jon Wiener), Everyday Injustice (with David Greenwald), Gould Faculty Workshop (Commentator: Ed McCaffery), LARB, Harvard Class of '81 Book Club, LA CAN, Los Angeles Institute of the Humanities Fellows, Toure Show, Sonali Kolhatkar, and a variety of other similar discussions

Negrophobia & Reasonable Racism: The Hidden Costs of Being Black in America

New York University Press, 1997

Winner of Gustavus Myers Outstanding Book Award

Articles

Forthcoming: "Radical Imagination: A Response to Tommie Shelby"
Criminal Law and Philosophy (Invited)

Works-in-Progress: “Moral Luck, Free Will Skepticism, and Abolitionism:
Rethinking the Relationship between Social Justice and Criminal Justice”

“Law, Language, and Politics”

22 *University of Pennsylvania Journal of Constitutional Law* 1073 (2020)
(Invited)

“Where Bias Lives in the Criminal Law and Its Processes:
How Judges and Jurors Socially Construct Black Criminals,”
American Journal of Criminal Law (2018)

“Nigga Theory: Contingency, Irony, and Solidarity in the Substantive Criminal
Law,” 12 *Ohio State Journal of Criminal Law* 9 (December 2014).

"Toward a Tort-Based Theory of Civil Rights, Civil Liberties, and Racial Justice,"
38 *Loyola of Los Angeles Law Review* 1467 (Spring 2005).

"Interpretive Construction, Systemic Consistency, and Criterial Norms in Tort
Law," 54 *Vanderbilt Law Review* 1157 (2001).

"Bring the Noise," 40 *Boston College Law Review* 733 (May 1999).

"Color-Consciousness in the Courtroom,"
28 *Southwestern University Law Review* 281 (1999).

"Critical Race Feminism: Old Wine in a New Bottle or New Legal Genre?" 7
Southern California Review of Law and Women's Studies 431 (1998).

"Hype and Reality in Affirmative Action (Affirmative Action: Diversity of
Opinions)" 68 *University of Colorado Law Review* 1173 (1997).

"Just Deserts: Narrative, Perspective, Choice, and Blame (Self-Defense and
Relations of Domination: Moral and Legal Perspectives on Battered Women Who
Kill)" 57 *University of Pittsburgh Law Review* 525 (1996).

"Stereotypes and Prejudice: Helping Legal Decision-makers Break the Prejudice Habit," 83 *California Law Review* 733 (1995).

"Race Ipsa Loquitur: Of Reasonable Racists, Intelligent Bayesians, and Involuntary Negrophobes," 46 *Stanford Law Review* 781 (1994).

Chapters and Excerpts:

“Race Ipsa Loquitur: Of Reasonable Racists, Intelligent Bayesians, and Involuntary Negrophobes,” full article in Richard Delgado and Jean Stefancic, editors, *CRITICAL RACE THEORY: THE CUTTING EDGE*, (Temple University Press);
“Race Ipsa Loquitur: Of Reasonable Racists, Intelligent Bayesians, and Involuntary Negrophobes,” excerpt in Sanford H. Kadish, Stephen J. Schulhofer, and Rachel E. Barkow, eds, *CRIMINAL LAW AND ITS PROCESSES: CASES AND MATERIALS*, (Wolters Kluwer, 2016)

Plays

Race, Rap, and Redemption, Visions & Voices 2007

Live Performances by Ice Cube, Saul Williams, Mayda Del Valle, Macy Gray’s Youth Orchestra, The Lula Washington Dance Theatre, and The Spirit of Troy Marching Band. <https://youtu.be/bfk1A9AVno0>

Race, Rap and Redemption Reprise 2008

Abbreviated Performance featuring The Lula Washington Dance Theatre for Incoming USC Freshmen: Writing Requirement

What’s Race Got to Do with It? October 9, 2013

Multimedia Performance of N*gga Theory’s Conceptual Framework for California Lawyers & Judges for Continuing Legal Education (CLE) credits

Documentary

A CIVIL WAR: For the Soul of Black America

(aka Nigga Theory: An Exploration)

A cinematic expression and exploration of my scholarship. Directed by Khinmay Lwin van der Mee & featured at the following festivals and forums:

2020

- BMO Harris Bank, Black History Month Event, by invitation - Chicago, IL
- The Pan African Film Festival (PAFF) 2020, Opening Event Showcase of selected 2019 films

2019

- San Diego Black Film Festival - San Diego, CA
- The Pan African Film Festival (PAFF) - Los Angeles, CA
- Harlem International Film Festival - New York, NY
- The Lower East Side Film Festival - New York, N
- Black Harvest Film Festival / Gene Siskel Film Center / SAIC (School of the Art Institute of Chicago) - Chicago, IL

2016

- FOLCS (Forum on Law, Culture & Society at NYU School of Law) - FINALIST - New York, NY

2015

- American Documentary Film Festival - Palm Springs, CA
- Dokufest - Prizen, Kosovo

**SPEECHES, LECTURES, DEBATES, FORUMS, PANELS,
CONFERENCES 2023**

- Panelist, American Association of Law Schools (AALS) Annual Meeting Jurisprudence Roundtable discussion—sponsored by both the AALS jurisprudence section and the section on criminal law—of Harvard philosopher Tommie Shelby’s new book opposing the “idea” of abolition
San Diego, **January 5, 2023**
- Closing Keynote Speaker for Intersectionality and Social Movements: A DEI Tool for Coalition Building in Legal Education, a symposium in partnership with RISE Alliance
This symposium brings together individuals from legal education, including students, faculty, staff, and community partners, to hear from and engage in conversation identifying the innovative opportunities to amplify collective action for structural action and shared values.
USC **January 13, 2023**
- Speaker for Pepperdine’s Week Against Mass Incarceration Lecture on how our constitutional rights are altered once we enter the system.
March 14, 2023
- Panelist with Brandi P Jones, Ilene Rosenstein, “Race + Equity + Wellbeing – Session 3: The Seduction of Representation,” Webinar USC
April 4, 2023
- Workshop Commentator for Dan Simon’s “Towards a Psychology of Understanding Criminal Punishment”
USC **August 24, 2023**
- Organized and moderated Center for Law, History, & Culture (CLHC) event – **The Road To Abolition: Police, Prisons, Public Safety, and Justice**—with Alex Vitale (Professor and author of “End of Policing”), Melina Abdullah (Professor and co-founder of Black Lives Matter LA), Leila Steinberg (President of Gala Music), Matthew Solomon (Director of award

winning documentary Reimagining Safety), with live performances by Aim4TheHeart artists and film excerpts from Reimagining Safety
USC **September 11, 2023**

- Panelist, Vermont Law Review Symposium
Rap on Trial: How the use of rap lyrics against artists furthers mass incarceration
September 30, 2023
- Panelist for Culture Journey Free Speech Event with Andrew Guzman (Provost and Senior Vice President, USC), Beong-Soo Kim (General Counsel and Senior Vice President, USC), Gordon Stables (Director of the USC Annenberg School of Journalism), and Velina Hasu Houston (Distinguished Professor of Theatre in Dramatic Writing, USC School of Dramatic Arts). Free Speech Week event sponsored by USC Culture Journey in partnership with the USC Academic Senate covering challenges, insights, and aspirations relating to free speech and academic freedom.
October 19, 2023
- Organized and moderated discussion at USC Gould School of Law with DA Larry Krasner, Philadelphia's iconic progressive prosecutor, and our very own Aya Gruber. The discussion was followed by interviews in which two Gould students were offered paid positions as summer clerks for Krasner's office. Later in the day I held a catered event at my home with DA Krasner, DA George Gascón (LA's own iconic progressive prosecutor), Gould faculty and staff (including Dan Simon, Aya Gruber, Deepika Sharma, and Chloe Reid), Gould students, and live performances by Aim4TheHeart artists
October 27, 2023
- Panelist, USC Fisher Museum of Art, new George Floyd book
Panelist, *Let's Talk about George Floyd: Systemic Racism in the United States Today*. Examined the structural, institutional, and systemic racism and the life and death of George Floyd with Toluse Olorunnip (Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter for the Washington Post and co-author of His Name is

George Floyd) and Professor of Sociology Brittany Friedman

[GeorgeFloyd_EmailFlyer 1.pdf](#)

October 24, 2023

- Moderator, Final Report of the CA Reparations Task Force UCLA Law School
Panelists: Kamilah Moore, Chair, Reparations Task Force; Marcus Hunter, Professor of African American Studies and Sociology, UCLA
This program focused on the Final Report of the CA Reparations Task Force, which represents the scholarship and research using legal and policy frameworks to support reparations for Black Americans for human rights injustices including slavery, state-sponsored segregation and oppression, and systemic racism that continues to show up in housing, education, health, voting and more.
November 1, 2023
- My Workshop, “The Incompatibilist Abolitionist,” with Professor Dan Simon commenting
November 9, 2023
- My Faculti interview
November 10

2023 Media Highlights

April 25

Los Angeles Times Op-Ed

[Ralph Yarl shooting shows how self-defense laws allow racist violence - Los Angeles Times \(latimes.com\)](#)

April 27

Everand (Reprint from LA Times)

[Commentary: How Self-defense Laws Can Allow Violent Racism To Go Unpunished - Los Angeles Times | Everand](#)

April 27

The Brunswick News (Reprint from LA Times) Op-Ed
[Commentary: How self-defense laws can allow violent racism to go unpunished | News | thebrunswicknews.com](#)

Aug. 24

Jan. 31

WGBH
[What would have stopped Memphis officers from killing Tyre Nichols? | GBH \(wgbh.org\)](#)

Jan. 28

New York Times
[Tyre Nichols Beating Opens a Complex Conversation on Race and Policing - The New York Times \(nytimes.com\)](#)

Feb. 15

Fox 11 Los Angeles – My Gould law students were included in this piece
[Black History Month: USC students discuss social, political and racial justice issues \(foxla.com\)](#)

Jan. 27

KNBC News
[Rodney King's Daughter Speaks on Death of Tyre Nichols – NBC Los Angeles](#)

Aug. 24

LA Taco
[L.A. Mayor Karen Bass Claims 'Touching Fentanyl Could Kill You,' All Toxicology Experts Disagree ~ L.A. TACO \(lataco.com\)](#)

May 16

San Francisco Chronicle

[Banko Brown shooting: Experts question SF Walgreens charging decision \(sfchronicle.com\)](https://www.sfgate.com/news/article/Banko-Brown-shooting-Experts-question-SF-Walgreens-charging-decision-13682773.html)

Jan. 31

Rolling Stone

[‘Fight the Power’ Misses How Mainstream Rappers Became the Power \(rollingstone.com\)](https://www.rollingstone.com/music/music-features/fight-the-power-misses-how-mainstream-rappers-became-the-power-1141111/)

Feb. 11

Malibu Times

[From the Left: Systemic Racism, It’s Not About Black and White As Much As Black and Blue • The Malibu Times](https://www.malibutimes.com/story/news/2020/02/11/systemic-racism-it-s-not-about-black-and-white-as-much-as-black-and-blue/511111100270001/)

June 29

LA Sentinel

[Lawmakers Vote to Develop Reparations Proposals for African Americans – Los Angeles Sentinel \(lasentinel.net\)](https://www.lasentinel.net/2020/06/29/lawmakers-vote-to-develop-reparations-proposals-for-african-americans/)

June 20

Daily Trojan

[USC celebrates Juneteenth with ceremony - Daily Trojan](https://www.dailytrojan.com/story/news/2020/06/20/usc-celebrates-juneteenth-with-ceremony/511111100270001/)

May 9

LA Progressive

[Samual Nathaniel Brown: From Lifer to Role Model - LA Progressive](https://www.laprogressive.com/samual-nathaniel-brown-from-lifer-to-role-model/)

Documentaries 2023

In 2023 I took part in three documentaries—**Fight the Power, As We Speak**, and **Reimaging Safety**—about two core themes of my latest scholarship, namely, a radically new non-carceral conception of justice in

criminal matters and the relationship between the performing arts (particularly hip hop and rap music) and justice.

Fight the Power: How Hip Hop Changed the World, which premiered in the UK on the BBC on **January 21, 2023** and then in the US on PBS on January 31 (Episode 1), **February 14** (Episode 2, which includes the lion's share of my commentary), **February 21** (Episodes 3 & 4), 2023. *Fight the Power* draws together prominent rappers and commentators to address the societal impact of rap—civil rights, police brutality, civil unrest—and its continued role in both reflecting and acting upon the world. I especially guided the way the docuseries dealt with police brutality, but I also successfully encouraged the writers to incorporate insights from my book “N*gga Theory” (especially the Prologue and Chapter 5) in their discussion of the role of rap in political communication.

Rolling Stone: [Fight the Power' Misses How Mainstream Rappers Became the Power \(rollingstone.com\)](https://www.rollingstone.com/entertainment/documentary/fight-the-power-misses-how-mainstream-rappers-became-the-power-1234567890/)

AS WE SPEAK, which premieres at the Sundance Film Festival on **January 22, 2023** and then globally on Paramount+ on **February 27, 2023** focuses on prosecutors' use and abuse of rap lyrics as evidence against rappers in criminal trials in ways that threaten free speech, artistic expression, and political communication. I also did some production work on this film by bringing together rappers and poets from Aim4TheHeart as featured performers.

In **Reimagining Safety**, another **2023** film by Matthew Solomon, LA DA GeorgeGascón, prominent abolitionist sociologist Alex Vitale, and I provide the core commentary for this popular documentary about radically overhauling how we collectively think about crime, punishment, and policing that is now making the rounds of film festivals and college campuses.

*N*gga Theory*
**Book-Related Events, Panels, Discussions, Interviews,
Reviews & Features with Links**

Events

August 26, 2020, [Virtual Event with Jody Armour “N*gga Theory,”](#) in conversation with Lara Bazelon, Youtube Live hosted by Chevalier’s Books.

August 30, 2020, [Jody Armour on Racial Oppression in America,](#) Zoom Live hosted by Los Angeles Review of Books.

September 21, 2020, [Virtual Discussion with Jody Armour,](#) Youtube Live hosted by Colorado Law.

September 30, 2020, [Real Talk On Racism: Race, Language, Unequal Justice And The Law – Professors Jody Armour and LaVonna B. Lewis In Conversation,](#) Youtube Live hosted by the University Club of USC.

October 9, 2020, [A Conversation with Professor Jody Armour,](#) Zoom Live hosted by Los Angeles Institute for the Humanities.

October 16, 2020, [N*gga Theory: A Book Talk With USC’s Jody David Armour,](#) Zoom Live hosted by American Whig-Clisophic Society.

October 17, 2020, The State of Black Ohio, Virtual Conference hosted by The State of Ohio Collective.

October 23, 2020, Reflections on Racial Justice by the Living Legacy of a Jailhouse Lawyer, Zoom Live hosted by USC Emeriti Center.

November 5, 2020, Black Power course with Dr. Melina Abdullah, Virtual Event, Facebook Live hosted by Black Power #FreedomCampus Class.

November 10, 2020, USC Gould Alumni Association – An Evening With Professor Jody Armour, Zoom Live hosted by USC Gould Alumni Association.

November 17, 2020, Speaker Series: Jody Armour, Professor of Law, USC, on Race, Rap, and Redemption, Youtube Live hosted by La Jolla Country Day School.

November 29, 2020, Jody Armour On What Chris Rock Got Wrong In The 90s, Youtube Live hosted by The Majority Report with Sam Sender.

December 1, 2020, Errol Spence By KO & The "N" word w/ USC Law Professor Jody D Armour, Youtube Live hosted by Barbershop Conversations.

December 11, 2020, Jody Armour Book Talk: *N*gga Theory*, Youtube Live hosted by USC Gould School of Law

January 16, 2021, *N*gga Theory* Harvard Book Talk, Zoom & Clubhouse Live hosted by Harvard University.

January 25, 2021, Jody Armour Book Talk: *N*gga Theory*, Zoom Live hosted by Black Graduate Student Network.

February 16, 2021, A conversation with Ice-T, Youtube Live hosted by USC Annenberg.

March 2, 2021, The Chicago Seven Trial in Light of Today's Protest Movements, Youtube Live hosted by Showing Up for Racial Justice – Concord, NH and Gibson's Bookstore.

May 12, 2021, The Chicago Seven Trial in Light of Today's Protest Movements, Zoom Live hosted by Kentucky Bar Association

June 14, 2021, "Rodney King Beating 30 Years Later" with Areva Martin, Youtube Live hosted by The Special Report.

Panels

August 12, 2020, Elevating and Engaging with Black Lives on Law School Campuses (Part II), American Constitution Society

August 20, 2020, Exposing the Lies, Finding the Truth, and Implementing Effective Solutions Towards Achieving Racial Justice, Japanese American Bar Association

September 23, 2020, Creating Leaders for a Lifetime Alumni Showcase: Civil Rights and Engagement, A Better Chance

September 17, 2020, Racial Justice and the Law Series: Panel 1 – Constitutional Precedent and Structural Racism, American Constitution Society Los Angeles

October 5, 2020, TPD, Police, and Their Origins: Defunding, Demilitarizing, and Dismantling, Florida State Law School

October 7, 2020, Re-imagining policing: To fund or not to fund?
Trusteeship of Southern California/International Women's Forum
October 29, 2020, ACS Los Angeles: Racial Justice and the Law Part III-
Education Justice, American Constitution Society Los Angeles
October 29, 2020, Racial Bias in Policing: Defund, Defend or Reform?, LA
Law Library

Discussions

August 1, 2020, Moving Forward in the Era of COVID-19: The Pursuit of
Fair and Equitable Criminal Justice Policy, Neighborhood Forward
August 20, 2020, Crime, Race, and Politics in the Era of Covid-19,
Sentencing Project
August 21, 2020, Alternatives to Policing with Professor Jody D.
Armour with Keck School of Medicine USC
October 5, 2020, A Candid Conversation Jackie Lacey and George Gascón,
Moderator, LA District Attorney Debate
October 5, 2020, Discussion of the need to #DefundThePolice with
Florida State Law School
October 18, 2020, Voting and Racial Justice with ACS DC Lawyer Chapter
October 21, 2020, USC BAA: How Will the 2020 Election Shape Legal &
Social Constructs for Black Identity?, USC Black Alumni Association
October 29, 2020, 2020 Virtual Fall Conference, Los Angeles County
Management Council

November 5, 2020, Faculty Colloquium – Jody Armour // USC Gould,
University of Texas Austin

Interviews

Print Interviews

June 21, 2020, “Defunding the Police is the Only Solution. The Last Decade is Proof” with Eddie Kim for Mel Magazine

August 27, 2020, “Interview With an Author: Jody Armour” with Daryl Maxwell for Los Angeles Public Library

September 3, 2020, “Interview with Jody Armour on *Nigga Theory*” with Ayize Jama-Everett for RaceBaitr

Audio Interviews

July 30, 2020, “Justice, with Jody Armour,” with Varun Soni, More Than A Game

August 20, 2020, “Our Criminal Justice System Needs Radical Change: Jody Armour” with Jon Wiener, Start Making Sense

August 25, 2020, “Race, Language, Unequal Justice, And The Law” with Sonali Kolhatkar, Rising Up with Sonali

September 8, 2020, “Frequent AirTalk Guest Jody Armour On His Timely New Book Exploring Race, Justice, Policing And The Law” with Larry Mantle, AirTalk

September 8, 2020, “Interview: Jody Armour, on Moral Luck, Blame and Punishment” with Amanda Knox, The Crime Story Podcast

September 10, 2020, “Jody Armour Interview with Lana Del Choi”

September 11, 2020, “Jody Armour- I Am *N***a Theory*” book talk, Toure Show

September 15, 2020, “Everyday Injustice Podcast 73 – Jody Armour Discusses Rap, the N-Word, Racism, Symbols, Crime, Mass Incarceration and More” with Davis Greenwald, The Davis Vanguard

September 16, 2020, “Jody Armour Book Talk with Psychological Care & Healing Center”

September 21, 2020, “*N*gga Theory: Race, Language, Unequal Justice, and the Law* w/ Jody David Armour” with Sam Sander, The Majority Report

September 23, 2020, “No Officers Charged Due to Breonna Taylor’s Death, Project Room Key Comes to a Close, Joshua Trees Protected Under CA’s Endangered Species Act” with A. Martinez, Take Two

September 24, 2020, “Jody David Armour On Breonna Taylor Decision & Systemic Racism” with Margaret Prescod, Sojourner Truth Podcast

October 5, 2020, “Jody Armour Book talk on The Kyle Thiermann Show”

October 5, 2020, “A Speaker Series On Criminal Justice Reform” with Geneviève Jones-Wright, Motivation in Action

November 12, 2020, “How Black Lives Matter won at the Polls: Jody Armour” with Jon Wiener, Start Making Sense

December 25, 2020, “Race, Language, Unequal Justice, And The Law” with Sonali Kolhatkar, Rising Up with Sonali

January 5, 2021, “Episode 05: Professor Jody Armour – *N*gga Theory* and Reducing Police Violence” with Randy Shrewsberry and Thomas Baker, The Five-0 Podcast

April 22, 2021, “The Chauvin Verdicts and the Movement That Made Them Possible” with Jon Wiener, Start Making Sense

TV Interviews

June 18, 2020, “Law Professor: People Are Protesting Because ‘Black Lives Haven’t Mattered’,” Spectrum News 1

August 17, 2020, “Fall Semester Begins at USC,” NBC

September 10, 2020, “Jody Armour,” Spectrum News 1

September 15, 2020, “Jody Armour,” Spectrum News 1

September 23, 2020, “Jody Armour,” KTTV-TV (Los Angeles, CA) – Rachael Ray

November 9, 2020, “Election Results Put LA County at Forefront of Criminal Justice Reform,” Spectrum News 1

April 21, 2021, “Law Professor Discusses the Ramifications Of The Derek Chauvin Verdict,” CBS.LA

April 29, 2021, “Law professor discusses reform proposals in wake of police killings,” CBSN

May 18, 2021, “Jody Armour,” LA Currents

May 18, 2021, “In Conversation with Jody Armour,” LA This Week

May 18, 2021, “In Conversation with Jody Armour,” LA CityView35

Reviews

“*N*gga Theory: Race, Language, Unequal Justice, and the Law*” review on Kirkus Reviews; chosen as one of the Best Indie Books of the Year 2020

“In a word, revolution” review on USC Gould School of Law News by Leslie Ridgeway

“‘N*gga Theory: Race, Language, Unequal Justice, and the Law,’ by Jody Armour” review on Broad Street Review by Lindsay Gary

“*N*gga Theory: Race, Language, Unequal Justice, and the Law*” review on LA Public Library by Darryl Maxwell

“Jody pushes us to accept that the time has come to repair the broken criminal justice system and undo the harm caused to communities by ending the cycle of over-policing and over-incarceration that has destroyed communities.” —Marilyn J. Mosby, *Baltimore City State’s Attorney*

“N*gga Theory demands moral consistency that has been lacking in popular and academic narratives of mass incarceration.” —Abraham Gutman, *Opinion Writer at The Philadelphia Inquirer*

“Jody’s masterpiece should be a mandatory read for every police leader” —Chief (Ret.) Brendan Cox, *Director of Policing Strategies at LEAD Bureau*

“This book is revolutionary. With compassion and rigor, Prof. Armour renders a new political, moral, legal, and philosophical framework for a more equitable world — one centered around our shared humanity, our shared vulnerability, and the dignity that we all deserve.” —Matt Ferner, *Editor-in-Chief at The Appeal*

“Jody Armour has articulated a critical race theory that is ultimately a call to uplift the human dignity of the individual.” —Dan Satterberg, *King County Prosecuting Attorney*

“Jody Armour’s N*gga Theory is a powerful exploration of race, class and justice, particularly criminal justice, in today’s America.” —James F. McHugh, *Former Associate Justice of the Massachusetts Appeals Court*

“N*gga Theory explores and applies the transformative practice of radical empathy with the most demonized members of society to guide us out of the current morass of mass imprisonment and racial oppression, and forward into a more just society.” —Eric J.

Miller, *Professor of Law and Leo J. O’Brien Fellow at Loyola Law School, Los Angeles*

“Armour demonstrates—through lived experience, empirical data, and storytelling—that the historical and deeply racist view of black people as inherently more blameworthy, punishment-deserving, and disposable transcends class and implicates us all.” —Lara

Bazon, *Professor of Law and Director of the Criminal Juvenile Justice Clinic and The Racial Justice Clinic*

Features

August 26, 2020, “Arts at Home and Bookish: August 27-30,” LA Weekly

August 27, 2020, “The Best Live And Livestreamed Events This Weekend: Aug. 28-30,” LAist

September 24, 2020, [“What the wanton endangerment charge against an officer involved in Breonna Taylor’s killing means,”](#) Insider
December 30, 2020, “My Favorite Books of 2020,” the LAPL Blog
December 30, 2020, Kirkus Best Indie Books of the Year 2020
May 5, 2021, *55 Voices for Democracy: “Education, Social Justice, and Democracy”* by Jody David Armour, Los Angeles Review of Books

No Links in the Section Below

“Writing Toward Liberation”

A LARB Conversation with Jody Armour & Bidhan Roy
Los Angeles Review of Books (May, 2021)

“Jody Armour & Melina Abdullah on Racial Oppression in America”
LA Review of Books (September 2, 2020)

“Professor Jody Armour - N*gga Theory and Reducing Police Violence”
The Institute for Criminal Justice Training Reform (January 2021)

“Jody David Armour: ‘Unconscious Bias: The Social Construction of Black Criminals’”
Pitzer College (October 9, 2018)

“Black Hearts in White Minds: Race, Crime, and Redemption”
TEDx Talk (December 2015)

“Jerry Gorin Interviews Jody D. Armour about ‘Nigga Theory’”
Los Angeles Review of Books (October 2015)

“Prof. Jody Armour on Race, Class, and the ‘Good Negro’”
The Young Turks, Hosted by Cenk Uygur (2013)

“Bring the Noise”
American Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting Criminal Law Session
I performed sixteen bars of Ice Cube’s “The Nigga Ya Love to Hate” in my
presentation on the link between gansta rap and the substantive criminal law
New Orleans 1999

Written Commentary

Los Angeles Daily News January 24, 2022

Opinion: “We must recalibrate how we think about sentencing in California”

Witness LA Feb. 1, 2021

Jody Armour wrote an op-ed about the importance of George Gascón’s Three Strikes Reform and the pushback from LA prosecutors and police unions. "Under Gascón’s leadership, we will finally end the racist and costly legacy of California’s strike laws," he wrote. "This change is long past due."

The Appeal Feb. 11, 2021

Jody Armour wrote an op-ed arguing that Rep. Adam Schiff’s appointment as AG would be ignoring the wishes of Californians. "Adam Schiff’s unconscionable record on criminal and racial justice issues is disqualifying," he wrote. "Schiff’s appointment would be viewed, especially by Black and Latinx communities, as a betrayal of the governor’s expressed commitment to equal justice."

Daily Kos February 24, 2020

Jody Armour wrote an article about the disproportionately high rate of incarcerated Black Los Angeles residents in comparison to white residents between 2013 and 2015, critiquing DA Jackie Lacey’s response towards these rates.

The Conversation/ Salon/ The News-Herald/ Portland Press-Herald/RealClear Policy Dec. 20-27, 2019

I wrote an expert analysis on how being “tough on crime” has become a political liability for some political candidates, and the wave of progressive prosecutors elected on platforms opposing mass incarceration and advocating for other criminal justice reforms. “This growing crop of ‘prosecutors with compassion’ and ‘public defenders with power’ has upended my own binary way of thinking about the role of the district attorney,” he wrote.

Los Angeles Review of Books
February 17, 2018

“A Theory of Injustice for Dark Ghettos”: A Review of Tommie Shelby’s “Dark Ghettos: Injustice, Dissent, and Reform”

USC’s Center for Law and Philosophy and its Center for Law, History, and Culture hosted a symposium in December on this work of political philosophy and ethics by Harvard’s Tommie Shelby. "Shelby deploys the techniques of analytic philosophy to frame a theory of injustice for truly disadvantaged blacks that not only destroys the normative foundation of respectability politics but also lays a new foundation for political solidarity with black criminals, welfare recipients, single mothers, and others viewed as 'bad Negroes' by condescending critics."

Fortune
September 13, 2017

“Colin Kaepernick is Paying the NFL’s Black Tax in 2017”

In this op-ed I discuss the injustices that Kaepernick sacrificed his career to protest and observed that, contrary to the claims of his detractors, “it is morally obtuse to denigrate his sacrifices because of his celebrity status or personal wealth.”

Fortune
September 29, 2017

“NFL Colin Kaepernick Protest: Those Against it Should Look to History”

In this op-ed about the continuing NFL protests for social justice and against police brutality, I point out that public opinion was against civil disobedience and protesting leading up to the 1964 Civil Rights Act and current polling does not reflect the potential long-term impact of protesting. In response to President Donald Trump's tweets about the issue, I wrote, "Such efforts at reframing are nothing new—meanings are not fixed and frozen. They are prizes in a pitched conflict

among groups trying to define their social identity and vindicate their social existence."

Los Angeles Review of Books

February 11, 2017

“The Road to Hell is Paved with Coercive Benevolence”: A Review of “Down, Out & Under Arrest”

I review was published about a new book on policing on Los Angeles' Skid Row. "Forrest thus ends his brilliant and sobering ethnography on a hopeful note: through their pitched political battles with the powers-that-be, Skid Row residents are reclaiming their personal dignity, redefining their social reality, reconstituting their social identity, and vindicating their social existence."

Los Angeles Review of Books

June 22, 2016

“Black Lives Matter in Higher Learning”

I wrote a column on the connections between inclusion movements on college campuses and the Black Lives Matter movement. "The movement has helped spur university students, faculty, administrators, trustees, and other stakeholders across the nation to critically reflect on their successes and failures in matters of inclusion, diversity, equity, access, and opportunity."

The Los Angeles Review of Books

January 19, 2016

“The Politics of Becoming”

I wrote an op-ed about symbols of racial division in America. Writing about the controversy over the Confederate flag and the historic uses of the "N" word, Armour explained how the national sense of "us" and "them" has changed over the country's history. "Confederate battle flag critics use the symbol to isolate a 'them' of segregationists and white supremacists and to mobilize a racially liberal and

inclusive 'us.' Many battle flag supporters use the same symbol to distinguish an 'us' of folk with Southern pride from a 'them' of folk without."

**The Los Angeles Review of Books
October 2, 2015**

“Straight Outta Compton: The Profound in the Profane”

Los Angeles Review of Books - Film Review (October 2015)

I wrote a long-form film review of “Straight Outta Compton” that includes a live interview Professor Armour conducted with rap icon Ice Cube and a recording of Armour’s live performance of a gangsta rap classic at an annual meeting of the American Association of Law Schools (AALS)

Film Consultant

Judas and the Black Messiah, Fred Hampton biopic that earned six Oscar nominations at the 93rd Academy Awards, including Best Picture and Best Supporting Actor 2021

**SPEECHES, LECTURES, DEBATES, FORUMS,
PANELS, CONFERENCES 2020, 2021, 2022,
(For entries before 2020, see “addendum” below)**

Jan 21, 2022 – Moderator, “Racially Charged: America’s Misdemeanor Problem” The League of Women Voters of Pasadena, Los Angeles County, and the League of Women Voters of California. Panelists: Californians United for a Responsible Budget (CURB), Surviving the Odds Project, Pure 1 and the Black and Jewish Unity Coalition

Feb 24, 2022 – Panelist, Zocalo/ASU Cronkite Event: Does the First Amendment Still Protect Free Speech? Downtown LA in conversation with Eugene Volokh, Jean-Paul Jassy, Battinto L. Batts Jr., and Carla Hall.

Feb. 28, 2022 – Keynote, California Community Foundation (CCF) for Black History Month.

March 25, 2022 - Admitted Student Mock Class

June 3, 2022 – Panelist, LERA (Labor and Employment Relations Association) 74th Annual Meeting, Are Student-Athletes Employees? Labor Law’s Application to College Athletics (Panel, with Thomas A. Lenz, NLRB rep, LMU Athletic Director, and college & Chasson Randle)

June 27, 2022 – Moderator, ACLU Care Court panel discussion

July 14, 2022 – Keynote, Partners for Justice

July 26, 2022 - Teach in USC Warrior Scholars Project

Sept 22, 2022 – Moderator, “Fire Your Bosses: How Workers Relaunched The Appeal” Online News Association (ONA22) Annual Conference

Oct 15, 2022 – Panelist, CELA (California Employment Lawyers Association) Racial Justice Task Force, San Diego, “Calling People In vs. Calling People Out: How to Lead Difficult Conversations About Race with Colleagues, Jurors, and Friends.”

Oct 19, 2022 – Panelist, California Changelawyers (a statewide foundation that empowers the next generation of lawyers, judges, and activists), Downtown LA

Nov 3, 2022 – Moderator, Visions and Voices Try/Step/Trip Performance Dahlak Brathwaite, lead post-show talkback

Nov 28, 2022 – Moderator, Loyola Law School Forum on the California Racial Justice Act with Los Angeles District Attorney George Gascón and Assemblymember Ash Karla

Writer and Moderator, *From Gangsta Rap to Julian Assange: The Criminalization of Art & Journalism*, featuring rap artists (BALi-KiD, Boots Reilly, Carina Dorthy Krehl, Chris ER, Jaehoon Cho, Lois King, Ravina Wadhvani, S.K. Winter-Yat) and whistleblowers October 2021

Featured Speaker, Spectrum Networks – News & Sports Operations
Addressed employees of Spectrum Networks across that nation in the morning and afternoon on stereotypes, prejudice, justice and journalism 2021

Featured Speaker, *55 Voices for Democracy*
This series builds on the legacy of Thomas Mann, who spoke out strongly against fascism, and is presented by the Thomas Mann House in cooperation with Deutschlandfunk and Sueddeutsche Zeitung

Featured Speaker, Rotary Club 2021

Visions and Voices signature event with Ice-T
My one-on-one conversation with Ice-T February 16, 2021

Lead Scholar, National Humanities Center’s Humanities in Class Webinar Series, *Reckoning with the Role of Systemic Racism in Sparking the '92 L.A. Riots* These live, interactive webinars connect educators from both K-12 and post-secondary classrooms located all over the United States with scholars in humanities fields to discuss compelling topics.¹ **November 9, 2021**

Moderator, Police Reform Webinar for the Public Policy Exchange, with John Perez (Pasadena Chief of Police), David Kurz (Durham Chief of Police, retired),

¹ According to a letter from Andrew T. Mink, Vice President of Education Programs, “548 participants registered for [my] talk from over twenty-one states; approximately 27% of these attendees were collegiate level educators, including community college instructors and graduate students; 96% of the live participants rated our session excellent; and 93% of the live participants stated that their understanding of the topic was greatly improved.”

Yusuf Abdul-Qadir (Director, ACLU Central NY), Peter Scharf (Criminologist,
LSU School of Public Health and Justice) November 2020

Keynote, State of Black Ohio Collective Oct 17, 2020

Featured Speaker, Chancery Club of Los Angeles, June 11, 2020

Featured Speaker, USC Intercampus Online Juneteenth Celebration,
June 19, 2020

**Keynote Speaker: National Black Law Students Association's 52nd National
Convention
Cincinnati, Ohio March, 2020**

**Featured Speaker, One-on-one with new & progressive SF DA Chesa Boudin
Sponsored by The Justice Collaborative Engagement Project (TJC), which
supports transformational change in criminal justice policy
San Francisco, CA February 28, 2020**

**Featured Speaker: USC Facebook Live Black History Month Broadcast on
Justice and Journalism
A live social and racial justice conversation with Professor Allissa V.
Richardson of the USC Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism
USC Wallis Annenberg Hall (Studio A) February 10, 2020**

**Speaker: Pan African Film Festival (PAFF) Directors Screening for the
documentary about my scholarship titled A Civil War for the Soul of Black
America (aka Nigga Theory: A Brief Exploration)
UCLA Library Special Collections, YRL Presentation Room February 6, 2020**

**Host: A reception and conversation for the authors of Unbreakable Resolve:
Building Free-Dem Foundations in New Orleans
In association with USC Price School's Race, Arts, and Place Faculty
Collaborative, I hosted a conversation with Jerome Morgan, Robert Jones, and**

Daniel Rideau, who served a collective total of nearly fifty years in Louisiana State Penitentiary at Angola before courts ruled that they had been unjustly incarcerated.

My Home, Los Angeles February 6, 2020

Featured Speaker: Private Screening of my Documentary for Staff and Guest of BMO Harris Bank

Lunch, Screening, and Reception for the documentary about my scholarship titled “A Civil War for the Soul of Black America” (aka “Nigga Theory: A Brief Exploration”), Directed by Khinmay Lwin

The Gene Siskel Film Center, Chicago, Illinois February 3, 2020

Featured Speaker: Los Angeles African American Women’s Public Policy Institute (LAAAWPPI)

“The Many Faces of the Politics of Respectability in Public Policy”

USC Leavey Library February 1, 2020

Moderator: A Conversation with Former San Francisco District Attorney & Police Chief, and then LA District Attorney candidate, George Gascon

George Gascon joined me for a lunchtime talk about his candidacy, his role in the “progressive prosecutor” movement, the death penalty and other aspects of criminal justice reform USC Gould School of Law January 28, 2020

Co-Moderator (with Alex Cohen, Anchor, Spectrum One News): 2020 LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 10 CANDIDATES FORUM.

Candidates: Mark Ridley-Thomas (LA County Supervisor), Aura Vasquez (Former LA City Commissioner), Grace Yoo (Community Organizer/Attorney), Channing Martinez (Community Organizer).

First African Methodist Episcopal Church (FAME), Los Angeles, January 25, 2020

Presenter: The Motherf*cker Awards (Corporate accountability through comedy). The Motherf*cker Awards “celebrate”—i.e., lampoon—companies and individuals that have done the most to destroy the natural environment (Mother Earth) and

crush the human spirit in the past year. Other Presenters: Kelly Slater (widely regarded as the greatest surfer of all time), Lawrence Lessig (Roy L. Fruman Professor of Law at Harvard and founder of *Equal Citizens*), Abby Martin (Investigative journalist and founder of *Media Roots*), Lydia Ponce (Indigenous activist and Director of Community Engagement at *SoCAL350*), Kaj Larsen (Navy SEAL and Emmy award-winning journalist). Comedians: Sam Tripoli, Baron Vaughn, Kira Soltanovich, Kurt Braunohler, Eddie Pepitone, Caitlin Gill. The Miracle Theater, Inglewood, CA December 3, 2020

**The American Constitution Society (ACS)
Yearlong Racial Justice and the Law Series
2020-2021**

Moderator: I moderated a yearlong series of ACS panels designed to examine systemic racism in the law by uplifting the research, scholarship, and work of BIPOC attorneys, advocates, and scholars from across the US with legal expertise in civil rights, criminal justice, housing, education, the environment, and other areas.

Panel 1 – Constitutional Precedent and Structural Racism

(featuring Tiffany Townend Blacknell, Deputy Public Defender, Co-Chair of the Women’s Defender Association, and past-president of the Black Public Defenders’ Association; Fred Smith Jr., Associate Professor of Law, Emory) September 2020

Panel 2 – Voting Rights

(featuring Gilda Daniels, Associate Professor of Law, University of Baltimore and author of *Uncounted: The Crisis of Voter Suppression in America*; Kat Calvin, Founder and Executive Director, Spread the Vote; Co-Founder and CEO, Project ID Action Fund) October 2020

Panel 3 – Education Justice

(featuring Andrew Reginald Hairston, Education Justice Project Director, Texas Appleseed; Krithika Santhanam, Staff Attorney, Advancement Project; Amir Whitaker, Staff Attorney, ACLU of Southern California) October 2020

Panel 4 – Housing

(featuring Chancela Al-Mansour, Executive Director, Housing Rights Center; Claudia Medina, Tenants Rights Attorney) December 2020

Panel 5 – Homelessness

(featuring Hon. Kevin De Leon, Los Angeles City Councilmember (District 14); Chancela Al-Mansour, Executive Director, Housing Rights Center) March 2021
Panel 6 - Reparations

(featuring Attorney Lisa Holder, member of Governor's Reparations Task Force; Eric Miller, Professor of Law, Loyola Law School of Los Angeles; Cheryl Grills, Professor of Psychology, LMU, and member of Governor's Reparations Task Force) July 2021

Television 2020, 2021, & 2022

(For entries before 2020, see "addendum" below)

NBC Los Angeles
Jan. 18, 2022

Jody Armour was interviewed about Martin Luther King Jr. "Dr. King wasn't just fighting for a colorblind America, he was fighting for a just America."

Fox 11 LA
April 24, 2022

Jody Armour reflected on the LA riots on their 30-year anniversary. "I can remember the day, the time and the weather. That's how vivid it was. It was one of those moments," he said. "The [Rodney King] verdict was jaw-dropping. Black America was being gaslighted because this was a jury that said 'we don't see anything in this video that crosses the line. It seemed like there was ocular proof of wrongdoing, and yet, much of America didn't see it that way."

KCBS TV
June 1, 2022

Jody Armour was interviewed about an interim report released by the California Reparations Task Force, and pointed out racial inequities including disproportionate numbers of Blacks in prison and on the street. "You can't help but notice they're disproportionately Black because 75% of them are Black, and you go to San Quentin where I take my students, again, you see the demographics...Blacks are grossly

overrepresented in those two most miserable places in our society, Skid Row and cell block,” he said.

KNBC TV
June 17, 2022

Jody Armour was interviewed in a story about what Juneteenth means to a new generation of Americans, and the significance of it being named a federal holiday. “Public symbols, how we view ourselves collectively, and recognizing that as part of our collective history, that the first revolution didn’t bring us all liberty, we needed a second one, and Juneteenth resonates with that – and it’s still an unfulfilled project.”

Spectrum News 1
Sept. 20, 2022

Jody Armour was interviewed about the guilty plea by former USC social work Dean Marilyn Flynn for bribery by funneling money to a nonprofit run by the son of LA City Councilmember Mark Ridley-Thomas. "If politicians are using their decision-making power to respond to bribes or undue influence from third parties, rather than the concerns of their constituents, rather than the concern of the electorate, then they’re being unfaithful to those constituents and their corruption is robbing the democratic process of integrity and the confidence of the people," Armour said.

Fox 11 Los Angeles
Oct. 10, 2022

Jody Armour was quoted in a story LA City Council President Nury Martinez's racist remarks about Council member Mike Bonin’s then two-year-old son. "LA has led the country in a lot of ways when it comes to racial justice," he said. "And, so now, it's really our chance to take the torch and figure out how we can translate our rhetoric about multiculturalism into a reality among different groups."

KCBS TV
Oct. 12, 2022

Jody Armour was a guest for a “town hall” panel discussion about the leaked recording of LA City Council members making racist comments that have exacerbated existing

tensions in Los Angeles. "We gotta keep the work going, there's a lot of work still to be done. Anti-blackness runs deep," he said. "Even among my Asian students, they'll point out that darker Asians are sometimes discriminated against. We know within the Latinx community that happens. Anti-blackness is the core issue that we keep coming back to.

Dr. Phil
Oct. 19, 2022

Jody Armour was quoted as a member of a panel discussing parental rights regarding school curricula, stemming in part from Florida's "Parental Rights in Education" bill, which Armour criticized for its

vagueness. "If you don't know if you're going to run afoul of them, you just avoid those conversations altogether," he said.

BET "Boiling Point"
February 2021

Six-part series exploring dramatic flashpoints in American history; Armour discussed the links between the '92 LA Riots, Black Lives Matter, and the George Floyd protests.

KTTV Fox 11 News
Feb. 8, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about Black History Month, medical distrust and civil rights. "It's a celebration of some of the best of the times and an opportunity to critically reflect on some of the worst of times in the Black community," he said.

KTTV Fox 11 News
Feb. 9, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about the low vaccination rate of Black people in comparison to other races in LA county. "One of the hidden costs of discrimination is that it can rob a community that's been discriminated against of trust and confidence in the system, in the health care system that can provide life-saving healthcare to them," he said.

KTTV Fox 11 News
March 12, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about the \$27 million civil rights settlement between the city of Minneapolis and George Floyd. "They wanted to make a statement," he said. "In some ways, it's an anchoring statement number — that \$27 million one of the highest settlements for a police misconduct case in history, and it expresses the kind of condemnation that the city should express toward the killing."

Fox News
April 15, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed on the rise of violent crime and murders in Los Angeles. "That reservoir of resentment is actually, in and of itself, also a driver of crime," he said. "Until that's healed, we're really not going to get at the spiraling crime problem."

CBS News
April 19, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about the trial for Derek Chauvin, who is being charged with the murder of George Floyd. "The defense is saying [Chauvin] was really an ordinary person — he was an ordinary officer acting in policy and in a way that's justified, and they understand that the jury has to make a moral judgement of this defendant," he said.

KCBS News
April 20, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed on the Derek Chauvin verdict and the surprise many felt after years of police violence leading to acquittals.

NBC News
April 24, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about the pushback against the election of Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascón. "A lot of prosecutors have their personal and professional identities wedded to that particular concept of justice," he said. "What we're seeing is a revolution, and with revolutions come old-guard resistance."

CBS News
April 28, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about reform proposals in wake of police killings. "It'll take more than just incremental, marginal reforms," he said. "We tried body cams, we tried implicit bias training, we tried community policing, de-escalation training. All of that was going on in Minneapolis and more and yet we continue to have this racial injustice Groundhog Day."

KTLA Channel 5 News
May 4, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about a viral body camera video of a motorist unleashing a racist tirade against a deputy and calling him a "murderer" during a traffic stop in San Dimas. "She robbed herself of any kind of firm moral ground that she was standing on," he said.

Fox News
May 7, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about critical race theory and social justice standards being incorporated into school curriculum. "It would be nice if we didn't notice race and gender at a very early age, but the reality is, we do," he said. "And then the question is should we ignore it or should we confront it?"

CBSN
May 25, 2021

Jody Armour was featured in a panel reflecting on the year that has passed since the death of George Floyd.

KNBC News
June 16, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about Congress's approval of the bill to make Juneteenth a federal holiday. "The concern is that this may be just hollow symbolism, and we should not just settle for mere symbolism at the expense of substantive reform," he said.

KTTV Fox 11 News
Aug. 28, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about the possibility of Robert F. Kennedy's assassin being granted parole. "It's a sign of the times. We've been in a debate over the last couple years about what criminal justice should look like and what conception of justice should determine our criminal justice policy, and should it be rooted in retribution, retaliation and revenge or in redemption, restoration and rehabilitation," he said.

CNN
Nov. 26, 2021

Jody Armour was quoted in a story about the Milwaukee district attorney criticized when his office sought low cash bail for the driver who hit and kill parade participants in Waukesha, Wis. "You can't pin cash bail to the spike in violent crime because, for one thing, cash bail affects mainly low-level non-violent offenders," said Armour, quoted by CNN over the summer in a story not related to this case.

KNBC Los Angeles
Jan. 7, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about the riot at the Capitol. "These protestors were really the political soulmates of much of law enforcement — compared to Black Lives Matter activists and their allies, they were treated differently," he said. "They actually have a side they're on, and we're starting to see that."

Spectrum News 1
Nov. 9, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about how election results have put LA County at the forefront of criminal justice reform. "This election in L.A. County put [it] at the very vanguard of criminal justice reform nationwide," he said. "I can't overstate what a major deal this has been for national politics and criminal justice matters."

KETV
Sept. 29, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted about a California prosecutor's decision to charge the organizer of an anti-racism rally with attempted murder for driving her car into counter-protesters. "When you're talking about attempted murder, you're talking a requirement that the state prove that ... she drove into the crowd with the true purpose to cause someone's death," he said. "That says something about their motivations, their character, their state of mind. It's a value judgment. It's a moral judgment."

KTTV-TV
Sept. 24, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about the grand jury decision in the murder of Breonna Taylor by white police officers. "Our laws, as much as anything or anyone else caused Breonna Taylor's death," he said.

KTTV-TV Los Angeles
Sept. 23, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed on KTTV-TV Los Angeles regarding his thoughts on the decision to not file serious charges against the officers involved in Breonna Taylor's death. "This is a critical decision after a long hot summer of frustration and I think there will be a lot more frustration by people who want to see some kind of homicide liability in this charge... I think many people will be left unsatisfied by that result," he said.

KNBC-TV Los Angeles
Sept. 23, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed on KNBC-TV Los Angeles on the lack of charges against the officers involved in Breonna Taylor's murder. "This case really illustrates what a lot of people are saying: Why are we continuing a war on drugs? This woman is dead now, this door was kicked in as part of a drug raid. We need to rethink our criminal justice policies," he said.

Spectrum News 1 SoCal
Sept. 15, 2020

Jody Armour discussed the content of his new book, "N*gga Theory" and highlighted the Chris Rock comedy segment that influenced the title of the book and identified the us vs. them mentality in the Black community. "It's rooted in the politics of respectability approach to the Black community" he said.

KTLA-TV
Aug. 30, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed on the protests that have resumed across the country after the shooting of Jacob Blake. "It just seems like we're stuck in this racial injustice Groundhog Day," he said.

KTTV-TV
Aug. 29, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about protests at the private homes of LA public officials. "The idea is to shut it down. Disrupt. That is, cut through our collective complacency about racial injustice and the pain and suffering that it's causing and then compel some uncomfortable conversations," he said.

KCAL
Aug. 28, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted in an article about sports leagues supporting professional athletes in their boycotts of games to fight for racial injustice. Armour said, "We're witnessing a melding of the Black Lives Matter movement and its spirit and that spirit is being channeled by the athletes."

KNBC-TV
Aug. 17, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about the push for universities across the nation to address law enforcement and criminal justice curriculum on their campuses. "A lot of the students coming through our doors are the people on the vanguard of these movements, of these protests," he said. "University administrators recognize if you want to keep the classroom relevant to the real world you have to bring the real world into the classroom."

KNBC-TV
Aug. 11, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about the selection of Sen. Kamala Harris as Joe Biden's running mate. "It's an extraordinary selection in a lot of ways," he said. "It's powerfully historic, of course, and symbolic; the first Black woman vice presidential candidate — heartbeat away from the presidency on the one hand. On the other hand, many people on the left who have been concerned about mass incarceration and trying to ratchet down this nation's overcommitment to criminalization are going to be concerned because Kamala Harris has a law and order, 'tough on crime' kind of background even though she embraces the 'progressive prosecutor' moniker."

KTTV-TV
July 30, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about the legacy of civil rights hero John Lewis. "Striving for justice, trying to overcome the biggest injustices or at least the more flagrant ones of his day, have made him a timeless figure that still speaks to us right now, as we mourn his passing," he said.

Spectrum News 1
July 21, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed on qualified immunity and the inability to sue law enforcement officers who violate people's rights. "If you or I do something unreasonable like commit a negligent act and violate someone's rights or harm someone, we are held to a standard of reasonableness. Under the doctrine of qualified

immunity, even if a state actor like a police officer acts unreasonably and violates your constitutional rights, you have no remedy against them," he said.

NBC 4 News
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Spectrum News 1
June 18, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about Black Lives Matter protests, Juneteenth and how quick fixes to policing will not address the root of the problem. "Black lives just haven't mattered in this country from its inception," he said. "[America] was born on a promise of liberty for all, but at the same time coexisted with chattel slavery for people who look like me."

FOX 11 Los Angeles
June 15, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about race and racism in the United States. "I think we're finally getting to the place in which we're saying it's more than a technological fix that it's going to take to solve this problem — more than cosmetic fixes — we've got to get down to the deeper structural racism and deal with that," he said.

FOX 11 Los Angeles
June 12, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted about how racism in the United States is a systemic issue, not just a social one. "Institutional and structural racism is something that lingers and lasts even if we were able to get rid of all prejudice," he said.

KNBC-TV
June 10, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about how to make practical changes happen in terms of the Black Lives Matter movement. "What it's going to take is reckoning with the deep structural racism that has been a part of this country since its inception," he said. "Until we reckon with that, I don't think any of these mandate solutions, any of these technological fixes or training innovations are going to make any difference."

Univision News
June 6, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted on the history of protests and pushback against structural racism in America. "What we are seeing is the culmination of 400 years of oppression and resistance," he said.

NBC Los Angeles
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NBC Los Angeles
June 4, 2020

Jody Armour was mentioned as one of the panelists in NBC Los Angeles' virtual town hall, "The Time is Now: Rooting Out Racism." The event, which took place on June 5, "[brought] together some of the leading voices fighting for real reform and solutions in the battle against racism."

WKBN-TV
June 3, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted about how to make the current Black Lives Matter protests the turning point for change in a society that is still not post-racial. "We have to be willing to embrace uncomfortable conversations, work through some of our

unconscious biases and conscious misconceptions about one another. We have to get to the point where we recognize black lives do matter," he said.

CNBC World
June 3, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted about the implications that the George Floyd protests have on the larger Black Lives Matter movement. "The protests have erupted all over the country; not because they are simply saying, 'We don't like what happened to George Floyd in Minnesota,'" he said. "They're also saying, 'We see a persistent and pervasive pattern. We see the same kinds of thing that happened to George Floyd happening in other parts of the country, all of which express a lack of sufficient care and concern for Black lives.'"

NBC Los Angeles
June 2, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about how protests have changed since the protests following the acquittal of four police officers in 1992 for the Rodney King beating. "My sense of where the protests can go from here, hopefully will go from here, is we'll have a serious reckoning with the racial injustice that has provoked and continues to provoke these kinds of eruptions," he said.

Free Speech TV
May 29, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about the nationwide protests in response to the death of George Floyd in police custody. "It's hard to shame protesters, as I hear a lot of people doing, for not caring about society, or more generally, when they're revolting as a reaction to society not caring about them," he said.

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FoxLA
May 27, 2020

Jody Armour was featured in a FoxLA video segment discussing the recent LA protestors fighting back against police brutality in America. "Police brutality cases are kind of like a scab over a festering wound and anytime there's an incident anywhere in the U.S., it reminds people here of some of the traumas and dramas we've gone through," he said.

Spectrum News 1 SoCal
May 1, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted on the legal justification for releasing nonviolent prisoners during the COVID-19 outbreak. "When we expose prisoners to unhealthy, unsafe conditions, that can constitute the infliction of unnecessary and wanton pain, in violation of the Eighth Amendment," he said.

NBC News
April 26, 2020

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Fox 11 Los Angeles
April 7, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted in an article regarding how wearing a face mask amidst the COVID-19 pandemic can lead to racial profiling. "For a Black person in America who wears a makeshift mask or homemade mask or bandana, the fear of being mistaken for a dangerous criminal may be greater than the fear of contracting COVID-19," said Armour.

Fox Soul (@foxsoultv, a new digital platform for black culture) January 2, 2020
"Unlearning Race" – *On the 7 with Dr. Sean*: A probing discussion of the nature of racial identity and group solidarity in the modern American experience.

Radio 2020, 2021, 2022

(For entries before 2020, see "addendum" below)

KCRW
Aug. 29, 2022

Jody Armour was interviewed about a proposed California bill that protects rap lyrics and other creative expressions from being used against defendants in court cases. "The sneaking suspicion of many is that

the low-hanging fruit for these kinds of cases ... [is] our young Black folk, especially young Black males, who are ... some of the leading architects of this genre of music, especially so-called gangsta rap," he said.

KPCC Air Talk
Oct. 10, 2022

Jody Armour was interviewed about Nury Martinez' resignation as City Council President after leaked recordings of racist comments. "I wouldn't exceptionalize it ... and say it's a few bad apples," said Armour. "I think it reflects something systemic, a kind of anti-Blackness that we have to contend with in a deeper way."

KPCC Air Talk
Dec. 7, 2022

Jody Armour was quoted about the legacy of outgoing LA Mayor Eric Garcetti. "He did help pass Measure HHH and has really gotten behind some efforts to help ameliorate the problem of houselessness in LA but we've seen how feckless those interventions have proven to be. They have not moved the needle in a significant way, and that is really the problem he's saddled with."

KNX 1070
Feb. 8, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about an LA Superior Court judge's decision to temporarily bar LA DA George Gascón from enforcing part of his policy on sentencing enhancements, including a ban on three-strikes allegations. "Oh, there's going to be an appeal, for sure," he said. "Jackie Lacey sought the death penalty even while Gov. Newsom had a moratorium on it. A prosecutor can exercise discretion not to seek the death penalty and is not violating their oath of office while doing so. So prosecutorial discretion is built into the job."

KPCC AirTalk
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KPCC AirTalk
March 29, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about the beginning of the trial of the former police officer charged with the murder of George Floyd. "The argument by the defense is going to be that 1.) the defendant did nothing wrong and 2.) if he did something wrong, there's no criminal liability," he said.

KPCC FM Radio
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Jody Armour was interviewed on the Derek Chauvin verdict and the surprise many felt after years of police violence leading to acquittals.

KCRW Press Play
April 21, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about how individual accountability cannot solve systemic racism. "This individual accountability approach gives the impression that the system can police itself, that the system corrects itself. And it can't, right?" he said. "Personal accountability approaches will never solve structural problems."

KPCC FM Radio
April 29, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about the FDA's attempt to ban menthol cigarettes. "By criminalizing the sales of these kinds of cigarettes, that are disproportionately used by members of the Black community, you create an illicit market," he said.

KPCC Take Two
May 25, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about qualified immunity — one year after the murder of George Floyd. "They moved from a standard of strict liability, to one of 'if the officer made a good faith mistake, we'll excuse the constitutional violation,'" he said.

NPR
May 25, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about empathy in the U.S., following the killing of George Floyd. "Reform would be approaches that try to train police to be more empathetic, like implicit bias training," he said. "It tries to integrate them more into communities so they are, you know, in some ways on a more intimate basis with a lot of the people they're policing."

KCRW
July 26, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about the Ed Buck federal trial. "That's the equivalent kind of a punishment that you get for a second-degree homicide in a lot of states, for example," he said of the charge against Buck. "You're punished as a murderer. And so all the prosecution has to prove is that you knowingly distributed the meth. They don't have to prove that you distributed with the intent to cause death or serious bodily injury or anything else."

KCRW Press Play
Nov. 24, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about the verdict in the Ahmaud Arbery case. "It's only happenstantial that Arbery's video got out and it became part of a movement, that we are here to be thankful that the justice process was vindicated in this case," he said.

"But it could very easily have gone another way. And that's something for us to pause on and not become too triumphalist when you have a verdict like this."

KNX 1070
Nov. 6, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about LA district attorney Jackie Lacey's concession to George Gascón. "She tried to make social identify an issue but the problem was people of her same social identity were on the other side of the issue saying 'you haven't done enough for your community,'" he said.

KCRW
Nov. 6, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about George Gascón's victory over Jackie Lacey in the LA district attorney race. "His victory was the result of strong grassroots organizing by Black Lives Matter LA," Armour said. "I really see it as a triumph of the possibility of protests in the street translating to real action at the ballot box."

Sojourner Truth with Margaret Prescod
Sept. 24, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed on the Sojourner Truth with Margaret Prescod Podcast on the lack of charges against the police officers involved in Breonna Taylor's death. "As a law professor I teach my students that ethics are important to lawyers... It is especially disturbing for me to see the attorney general mislead the American public that way" regarding Breonna Taylor's death, he said.

KPCC Take Two
Sept. 23, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed on KPCC's Take Two Podcast regarding the Louisville Grand Jury ruling to not charge police officers in the killing of Breonna Taylor. "The real tragedy that this case points out- not just the racism within the encounter- but also that we have forced entry raids to enforce drug laws. That is the deeply racist part that I think we should not lose sight of," he said.

KPCC AirTalk
Sept. 8, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed on his latest book “N*gga Theory: Race, Language, Unequal Justice, and the Law,” which discusses racial language, critical race theory and criminal justice reform. "When we're talking about Blacks who are engaging in criminal conduct, we're talking about truly disadvantaged Blacks for the most part," he said.

KCRW
July 28, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti's announcement that Los Angeles Police Department's Community Safety Partnership (CSP) will become an actual bureau. "I see this kind of program as a good public relations move, no doubt. But not as a reimagining, bold, fundamental rethinking of the police," he said.

KPCC AirTalk
July 14, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about an upcoming case that will decide whether a juror can be struck from a jury pool for supporting Black Lives Matter. "It undermines the credibility and legitimacy of the justice system if it looks like we pick decision makers on the basis of their race," he said.

KCRW
June 12, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted about the future of the fight for racial equality in the United States. “The future is starting to recognize that there's some deep structural things and changes that have to be made," he said. "Until we are able to provide affordable housing and health care, mental health care; until we relieve our crumbling schools; until we address those deeper going issues that have a racial dimension in them, we're never going to really be who all of who we can be as a community."

KQED

June 6, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted on the history of protests and pushback against structural racism in America. "What we are seeing is the culmination of 400 years of oppression and resistance," he said.

NPR

June 2, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about how protests have changed since the protests following the acquittal of four police officers in 1992 for the Rodney King beating. "My sense of where the protests can go from here, hopefully will go from here, is we'll have a serious reckoning with the racial injustice that has provoked and continues to provoke these kinds of eruptions," he said.

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KPCC AirTalk
Feb. 6, 2020

Jody Armour discussed a recent draft advisory opinion by the U.S. Judicial Conference recommending that federal judges be barred from membership in certain ideological groups. "Legitimacy for the courts turns entirely on their objectivity and impartiality," Armour said.

KPCC-FM
Jan. 7, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about a study of how Black drivers face more traffic stops than other drivers.

Newspapers, Magazines, & Online Publications 2020, 2021, 2022 (For entries before 2020, see “addendum” below)

Orange County Register
Jan. 24, 2022

Jody Armour wrote an op-ed arguing for adjustment to how sentencing in California is viewed and carried out. "It is time for all of us to look in the mirror and confront these vestiges of our failed and cruel criminal justice history," he wrote. We will never achieve a just society until we do."

Los Angeles Times
Feb. 28, 2022

Jody Armour was interviewed about the "George Gascón factor" in the upcoming L.A. mayoral race. The Gascón recall campaign was playing a kind of proxy role in the race, with supporters aiming to show that they're "a traditional, tough-on-crime, law-and-order candidate" by calling for Gascón's ouster.

Pasadena Star-News
March 17, 2022

Jody Armour was quoted in an editorial arguing that a proposed menthol ban could send Black smokers, who prefer menthol cigarettes, to an underground market. "You cannot talk out of both sides of your mouth. You cannot agree that the Black community does not need more unjust interactions with police, yet also support bans and prohibitions that result in more police interactions, investigative stops, stop-question-frisk cases," he said.

Daily Breeze
March 17, 2022

Jody Armour was quoted in an editorial arguing that a proposed menthol ban could harm Black smokers.

Associated Press
March 30, 2022

Jody Armour was interviewed about whether Will Smith should face charges for slapping Chris Rock at the Oscars. “How can what appears to be an obvious criminal act committed in the open publicly not result in any criminal consequences?” he asked. “Do different standards apply to celebrities and noncelebrities? Apparently, we seem to all recognize that is the case. But what does that recognition say to us about the legitimacy and credibility of our criminal justice system?” The AP story also ran in Billboard, KTLA, US News & World Report, Hindustan Times, KJZZ, Spectrum News Orlando, CTV News, Winona Times, Clarke County Tribune, Dumas Clarion, MSN, KOTV, New England Cable News, Press Democrat, Rewind 943, Bahrain News Agency, Global News, Times of India, and WITV.

LAist
April 4, 2022

Jody Armour was interviewed about why so many of Los Angeles County DA George Gascón’s prosecutors want him to be recalled. “[Gascón's] new moral platform will be very different from the one that prosecutors themselves oftentimes have embraced for their entire career,” he said.

Los Angeles Times
April 16, 2022

Jody Armour was quoted in a story about LA Mayor candidate Rick Caruso’s leadership of the LA Police Commission, a civilian oversight group, in 2001 and 2002, when then-LAPD Police Chief William Bratton instituted more assertive tactics, which many believed led to racial profiling. “A reservoir of resentment grows and festers and it shatters the trust and confidence that members of the community have in law enforcement,” Armour said. “And, most importantly, it does not make the communities safer.”

The Vanguard
June 29, 2022

Jody Armour was interviewed about CARE Courts, a policy framework to provide community-based mental health and substance use disorder treatment services to Californians. Armour argued that the idea that “we’re going to fix the broken people

that are the stuff that houselessness is made of, because houselessness is not about lack of affordable housing or lack of jobs, for lack of adequate healthcare. It's about people lacking personal responsibility and we need to teach 'em personal responsibility," does not work.

Daily Breeze
Aug. 12, 2022

Jody Armour was quoted in an op-ed on Proposition 31, which concerns a law that bans the sale of tobacco products, including electronic cigarettes. "Many in support of menthol cigarette bills may not recall the impact of the War on Drugs, especially on Blacks," he said. "It demonstrated how laws that invite therapeutic policing, and paternalistically protect people from their own desires, preferences, and wants have only one endgame: They pave the way to hell through good intentions by not respecting a citizen's right to make adult choices."

Los Angeles Times
Nov. 14, 2022

Jody Armour was quoted in a story about the LAPD changing tactics on pretextual police stops, leading to fewer stops for minor violations, after concerns about racial disparities in who was usually pulled over. "You had the kind of powder keg that built up in L.A. through the '80s and '90s as a lot of policymakers and other decision-makers in the Southland and L.A. decided that the way to fight rising crime in L.A. was by allowing more pretextual stops, more investigative searches, more stop-and-frisk on wheels, more broken windows policing, zero tolerance policing," he said.

Los Angeles Times
Nov. 21, 2022

Jody Armour was interviewed about the dangers of grouping all non-white races into a "people of color" category. "We have talked about this a lot over the years," he said. "I've always been skeptical of the 'people of color' category." He considers it "potentially deleterious to the well-being of Black people."

TechDirt
Dec. 12, 2022

Jody Armour was quoted in a story about whether incoming Los Angeles Sheriff Robert Luna will live up to his promises to reform the sheriff's department. "Voters who wanted a real alternative had one candidate," he said.

Zocalo Public Square
April 29, 2022

Jody Armour was asked in a Q&A about the legalese he liked the least. "My least favorite piece of legalese would have to be the sanctity of a rule of law—it suggests that there is such a thing as a rule of law that constrains decision makers. It's a very misleading phrase, you know, the rule of law sounds like we're a government of laws, not men and women trying to follow principles and not personal passions," he said.

LA Daily News
April 24

Jody Armour was quoted in a story about the 30-year anniversary of the LA riots and whether there has been much progress in reform of law enforcement since then. "I think what is becoming abundantly clear is that we've been going through this trial and error, trying all these various reforms, and seeing that those reforms don't get us where we want to be," he said.

LA Progressive
Jan. 12, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about Julian Assange's long battle to avoid extraction to the United States—and likely trial and incarceration—as well as the larger First Amendment and political prisoner rights issues involved. "If the presumption of innocence means anything, it means that we have to first go to trial — not leap to conclusions, not jump to the verdict," he said. "But there's a long tradition in American justice of going at things just that way, sadly."

The Intercept
Feb. 11, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about racial and criminal justice groups opposition to Rep. Adam Schiff's possible appointment as California AG. "Many voters heard that

message, that we needed serious criminal justice reform, we needed to hold police more accountable than we had been, we needed to be less draconian in our punishment practice,” he said.

The Crime Report
Feb. 12, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about Adam Schiff’s pitch for the job of California Attorney General, given his criminal justice record. "To put someone like that in this position at this time would be surprising to me," he said. "It would be surprisingly politically tone-deaf.”

Daily Trojan
Feb. 19, 2021

Jody Armour was quoted in an article about a livestream Q&A held by Visions and Voices about LA hip-hop and the corrupt American prison system. “Over the last 10-20 years, they found that a lot of our brains aren’t really fully developed even until we’re 25, and so we’ve been locking kids up for life without parole for things they’ve been doing at 14 and 13 and 15," he said.

The Guardian
March 3, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about the lack of change in the LAPD thirty years after the savage assault on Rodney King. "So many activists are calling for defunding the police because the changes that have occurred in cosmetics have not made real changes in how many Angelenos and marginalized communities are experiencing policing," he said.

LAist
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what I remember — that moment of reckoning with where I am and who we are as Americans.”

Mel Magazine
March 10, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about resistance to DA George Gascón's efforts to abolish the three-strike law and other sentence enhancements. "What Gascón's change is basically saying to [old-guard prosecutors and judges] is, 'You were committed to the wrong values, and it was a racist and morally obtuse approach.'"

The Guardian
March 10, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about DA George Gascón's promise to end "tough on crime" prosecutions and address prison overcrowding and police accountability for misconduct. "It's a commitment to a different moral framework – turning away from retribution, retaliation and revenge as the dominant moral compass, and moving toward restoration, rehabilitation and redemption," he said.

The Washington Post
March 12, 2021

Jody Armour was quoted on what a "not guilty" verdict in the Derek Chauvin trial could mean for race relations. "This jury will be sitting as representatives of the community and the espousers of community values," Armour said. "If they review this incident and say, 'We don't see anything criminally wrong' ... they will be telling you what they collectively think about Black lives and amplify the signal that Black lives really don't seem to matter that much."

The Guardian
March 17, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about immigrant groups and criminal justice advocates reaction to Adam Schiff's campaign for California Attorney General. "The country knows Schiff as sort of an icon," he said. "Here in California, we know him as someone who was, in many ways, one of the chief architects of mass incarceration."

Today, Explained
March 25, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about the bill to ban menthol cigarettes. "I oppose the bill because I saw it as an effort to revisit the failed logic of the war on drugs — the logic of prohibition," he said. "The legislation in a lot of these bans suggests that the way to protect black lives is to keep black people from being able to consume products on the same footing as white folks."

India Education Diary
April 9, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about USC faculty and staff's continued fight for equality, building on last summer's momentum to make USC a safer and more welcoming place for Black students. "Like many other schools, we are taking steps to revise new policies that we hope will be more inclusive and promote equity," he said.

Los Angeles Times
April 20, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed on the Derek Chauvin verdict and the surprise many felt after years of police violence leading to acquittals. "We, as Black Americans, have been victims of gaslighting so often by white America, through its representatives in the jury box," he said.

Yahoo News
April 28, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about reform proposals in wake of police killings.

Los Angeles Times
May 6, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about a viral body camera video of a motorist unleashing a racist tirade against a deputy and calling him a "murderer" during a traffic stop in San Dimas. "It assumes that [she knew] what the motivations of this particular [deputy] are," he said the motorist's actions. "It is unfortunate."

Microsoft News
May 7, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about critical race theory and social justice standards being incorporated into school curriculum.

The Washington Informer
May 12, 2021

Jody Armour was mentioned in an article urging readers to commit to nine minutes and 29 seconds each day to the fight for social justice and civil rights in this country. "If we can lift Black lives from the margins of society, we can lift all lives," he said.

The Guardian
May 19, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about law enforcement publishing misleading or false information about the people they have killed. "We cannot compel them to make unflattering descriptions of their conduct or interactions that turn lethal," he said, noting that police continued to use the vague and widely criticized phrase "officer-involved shooting" when they killed civilians. "It's human nature for them to describe events in the way that shines the most favorable light on the officers."

Observer-Dispatch
July 12, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed about Bill Cosby's release. It wasn't just a technicality but "gross prosecutorial abuse" that eventually set Cosby free, he said. That misconduct landed him "in a cage" for two years. Armour said it's "hard to say what is appropriate" as far as Cosby's punishment, but he believes two years imprisonment "is about right."

Wired
Oct. 20, 2021

Jody Armour's book *N*gga Theory: Race, Language, Unequal Justice, and the Law* was mentioned in an article about "cancel culture."

Davis Vanguard
Nov. 1, 2021

Jody Armour was interviewed on his perspective on D.A. Boudin's response to justice reform. "As a politician, running for elective office [especially in the position of District Attorney] is one of the most important kinds of executive type politicians out there...I was really heartened to hear the points he was hitting. I think those are the places we need to go," he said.

Chestnut Post
Nov. 3, 2020

Jody Armour was featured in a panel discussing the final days before the election, Donald Trump's presidency and what voters should be doing to hold elected officials accountable beyond Nov. 3. "I was thinking about the activists in the streets over six weeks — day in, day out here in LA — and their hopes, and dreams and aspirations for change," he said. "We often told them 'just vote.' They saw that that vote didn't necessarily translate into change in California when it came to criminal justice matters."

CalMatters
Oct. 29, 2020

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The Appeal
Oct. 21, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted in an article about how the Los Angeles County election could have a big effect on criminal justice reform. Armour, who will be voting for Holly Mitchell as supervisor, said, "She's been a leader ... she's showing the kind of moral and policy convictions that you really want in a county supervisor, who may be in this job 12 years."

Los Angeles Times
Oct. 16, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about how deadly violence can erupt from minor infractions, especially when committed by people who are Black or Latinx. "It really robs people of their full participation in core community activities," he said. "It starts to make second-class citizens out of people in stereotyped groups."

The Orion
Oct. 1, 2020

Jody Armour explained wanton endangerment in an article on how to hold police accountable for their brutality, especially in regards to the Breonna Taylor case. "It means you're not guilty or accused of causing a death," he said. "You're just accused of generating excessive risks. You were wanton in your disregard of the risk of death or serious bodily injury that you were generating, but we're not saying that those risks resulted in any death."

The Washington Post
Oct. 1, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about a woman's arrest after she allegedly drove into counter-protesters at her anti-racism rally because she felt threatened. "What you have is bookend cases to compare when two alleged perpetrators can each claim some kind of self-defense or duress as an excuse for what they did," Armour said, comparing the case to a similar one in which the perpetrator was not arrested after driving into anti-police brutality protesters. "It does seem the officers are giving more deference to the claim of the pickup truck driver and less to her."

The Hour
Sept. 29, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted about a California prosecutor's decision to charge the organizer of an anti-racism rally with attempted murder for driving her car into counter-protesters. "When you're talking about attempted murder, you're talking a requirement that the state prove that ... she drove into the crowd with the true purpose to cause someone's death," he said. "That says something about their motivations, their character, their state of mind. It's a value judgment. It's a moral judgment."

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Mel Magazine
Sept, 29, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted on why body cameras will not eliminate police brutality. "It wouldn't have made a difference had officers been wearing body cams at the time of their raid on Breonna [Taylor]'s home," he said. "She was killed by the bad legal precedent and bad police policy. As long as the law allows them to do what they did, what difference can body cams make?"

Business Insider Australia
Sept. 24, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted in Business Insider Australia explaining what the wanton endangerment charge against an officer involved in Breonna Taylor's killing meant and symbolized. "What they're saying is that

he is guilty of generating excessive risk of harm to others ... they're saying, 'we're not saying that there was anything wrongful about what happened to Breonna Taylor, the

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CalMatters
Sept. 1, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed on the lack of police reform bills passed by California Legislatures despite widespread support. "We wag our fingers piously at protesters and tell them to cast a ballot, just go vote, that's more productive and reasonable to get what you want in the way of real reform," he said. "If the Legislature can't deliver it, what does that say about the efficacy of the ballot?"

US News & World Report
Aug. 26, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed as part of a new series on inequality and how people of color are affected in areas like health care, education and the criminal justice system.

Yahoo! Finance
Aug. 4, 2020

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Black & Magazine

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The Crime Report
July 2, 2020

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Los Angeles Times

July 1, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about how protests over police brutality and criminal justice reform have intensified the race for L.A. district attorney. “Those kinds of endorsements are under scrutiny now, in a way they never have been before,” he said. “It used to be something prideful, to have police union endorsements. Now it may be stigmatized.”

India Currents
June 29, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about the “wash, rinse, repeat” cycle of addressing the civil rights of African Americans. “Here we are looking at a moment in Minneapolis, Minnesota where the police department had all those interventions,” he said. “I think we’re coming to the realization that there’s not a technological fix.”

Los Angeles Times
June 21, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about the deliberate decision of protestors to hold demonstrations in whiter, wealthier areas. “We’ve seen for so long that the cost of injustice has been limited to certain communities and geographic areas,” he said. “Now, with these marches, we are seeing more privileged communities start to bear that price. For us to make real progress, we all collectively have to say that the price of injustice is greater than the cost of justice.”

USC News
June 19, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about the meaning of Juneteenth and his personal connection to the holiday. “I came to see his patriotic devotion to the American flag not as a mental illness but as a profoundly political one intimately wedded to Juneteenth, the occasion for which we are gathered here today,” he said.

The Guardian
June 15, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about the lack of empathy for the disproportionately large number of African American COVID-19 victims. "When people are looking at out-group members, at an unconscious level, they don't have the same level of care and concern for them, they don't have a panic of empathy for them when they see them in distress," he said

The New York Times
June 6, 2020

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The Washington Post
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The Boston Globe
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Siliconeer
June 6, 2020

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Los Angeles Times
June 4, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted about how curfews may make Black people and Latinos, who work jobs that operate outside the standard 9-to-5 hours more than workers from other demographics, targets of police harassment. When law enforcement is given discretion in applying the law, people from stereotyped groups, particularly those who are Black, are going to suffer discrimination, he said.

This is Money
June 3, 2020

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Khaleej Times
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RFI
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The New York Times
June 2, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about how protests have changed since the protests following the acquittal of four police officers in 1992 for the Rodney King beating. "My sense of where the protests can go from here, hopefully will go from here, is we'll have a serious reckoning with the racial injustice that has provoked and continues to provoke these kinds of eruptions," he said.

Cody Enterprise
June 1, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted about how riots and protests against racism remain largely the same as in the 1960s. "Those same class issues, that same sense of racial inequality, social inequality, economic inequality, those same frustrations and resentments that roiled and exploded in the Watts riots are still in effect," he said.

LAist
May 29, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed about the nationwide protests in response to the death of George Floyd in police custody. "It's hard to shame protesters, as I hear a lot of people doing, for not caring about society, or more generally, when they're revolting as a reaction to society not caring about them," he said.

Breitbart News
May 29, 2020

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Los Angeles Times

May 26, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted in an article about white privilege and racism, particularly in viral videos on social media. He said that these videos remind him of the Emmett Till case. "A white woman who alleged that a 14-year-old Black male had insulted her, had treated her in a way that somehow challenged the racial caste system, the racial hierarchy, and that seems like what could be going on here," he said.

The Appeal
May 19, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted in an article about the dangers of rewarding criminal justice journalism. He said, "Zeroing in on just a few problematic pardons cast a shadow and undermined the legitimacy of the entire clemency effort, making it look like it's a serious harm to the public."

Filter
May 13, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted in Filter Magazine about an article regarding Boston DA Rachael Rollins. "Poor people and minorities – the ones who bear the brunt of our punishment bureaucracy – need justice partners like public defenders and progressive DAs to work together to address their plight."

Filter
May 12, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted in an article discussing structural racism in the Ahmaud Arbery murder case. "Unlike private individuals, when state actors attack and disrespect citizens, they implicate all Americans because they act in our name and on our behalf," he said.

The Appeal
May 7, 2020

Jody Armour was featured in a discussion covering incarceration as a public health crisis, featuring San Francisco DA Chesa Boudin and former SF Board of Supervisors

member Sandra Lee Fewer. "Half a million people - staff and guards - move in and out of jails and prisons every day and then return back into their community. These numbers make it impossible to contain the [corona]virus once it enters a jail or prison," Armour said.

Los Angeles Sentinel
April 16, 2020

Jody Armour was quoted on the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on African Americans. "Although the coronavirus does not discriminate, government responses to it can. This is as much a social, economic, and racial justice issue as it is a public health issue," said Armour.

Data for Progress
April 16, 2020

Jody Armour wrote a memo with Kyle Barry about how California prosecutors must do more to protect their communities from the coronavirus. "Prosecutors have a duty to protect public safety, and now, in the face of a public health crisis, it is remarkably clear what that duty requires. Public health experts, physicians, advocates, and courts all agree. We are on the cusp of humanitarian disaster, and reducing the number of people crammed into jails and prisons may be the single most important thing we can do to protect the public health," he said.

The Davis Vanguard
March 1, 2020

Jody Armour spoke in a panel with San Francisco District Attorney Chesa Boudin about a new policy on civil rights issues and racism. Armour noted that March was Black History Month and that Chesa Boudin is taking on that legacy. He said, "The civil rights issue of our day is criminal justice."

Podcasts 2020 & 2021
(For entries before 2020, see "addendum" below)

**Ideas In Action | USC's Podcast Series
(www.iheart.com & podcasts.apple.com)**

Black History Month: Discussions on Race, Media and the Law

My discussion of journalism, justice, and race with Dr. Allissa V. Richardson, USC
Assistant Professor of Communication and Journalism February 11, 2020

Delaware Public Media
Oct. 21, 2020

Jody Armour participated in a podcast about Black Lives Matters activist in Los Angeles who are pushing to vote out Los Angeles prosecutor, Jackie Lacey. Armour said, "But her strongest critics are also Black women. And so there's growing understanding that representational politics alone are not enough."

Toure Show
Sept. 11, 2020

Jody Armour talked about how his father studied law in prison to find a better life. "Not only was he writing his own writ habeas corpus, but also representing himself pro se through the State system," said Armour. "His case is what helped me get caught up in all the law and language that I know now."

The Nation Start Making Sense
Aug. 19, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed on how to radically improve the broken criminal justice system in the United States. "We need to shift our focus from retribution, retaliation and revenge — which has guided a lot of our penal policy for the last 30, 40 years and still does in a lot of ways — to redemption, rehabilitation, reconciliation and restoration."

The Kyle Thiermann Show
June 6, 2020

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Tangentially Speaking Podcast
March 11, 2020

Jody Armour was interviewed for a podcast about race, justice, and law. "My scholarship is based on the idea that hurt people hurt people, human frailty is part of the human condition, we all are sinners, we all can sometimes do horrible things and we shouldn't be defined by the worst moments of our lives forever," said Armour.

USC & Gould Communications & Public Relations 2021

USC Law Magazine *Man of the Moment* September 2021

Community Service

Chair of CAPP, USC's Committee on Academic Policies and Procedures

Member, Gould Administration and Finance Committee

USC Policing Task Force and DPS Community Advisory Board

Co-chair of Gould's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Committee, which worked with the Administration and Finance Committee to establish the Anti-Racism Working Group (ARWG)

Professor "Gould Preview" preparation classes for Gould admits

Summer Meetings with Gould Racial Justice Reading Groups for Incoming 1Ls

University Club, Board of Councilors (2014-2016, Chair 2017-2018)

Executive Board, Academic Senate 2018-2019

Member, *Provosts Diversity Task Force*
2015-2016

Member, *Provost's Diversity Council*
2016-2018

Member, *Academic Senate Campus Climate Committee*
2015-2018

Member, *Academic Senate Faculty Handbook Committee* 2015-2016

Chair (1998-2014), *USC Student Behavior Appeals Panel (SBAP)*

ADDENDUM

Activities Before 2020

SPEECHES, LECTURES, DEBATES, FORUMS, PANELS, CONFERENCES BEFORE 2020

Moderator: First Los Angeles County **District Attorney Candidate Debate**

Candidates: **George Gascón** (former Chief of San Francisco Police

Department and then head DA) and Rachel Rossi (former L.A. County and
Federal Public Defender)

California African American Museum (CAAM), Los Angeles December 11, 2019

Moderator: THE LAW OF UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES OF GOVERNMENT BANS & PROHIBITIONS

A panel discussion and webinar about the impact of the national movement to ban vaping, e-cigarettes, and menthol cigarettes. Panelists: Major Neill Franklin (Ret., Maryland State Police, Baltimore Police Department), Sgt. Terry Blevins (Ret., Gila County Sheriff's Office), Yvette McDowell (Ret., Assistant City Prosecutor, City of Pasadena), Rev. K.W. Tulloss (President, Baptist Minister Conference – Los Angeles & Southern California)

USC Gould School of Law November 22, 2019

Panelist: DEBATE - Athletes & Activism

Renowned Sociologist Dr. Harry Edwards joined former NBA players Etan Thomas (author and activist) and Gilbert Arenas and former NFL player Marcellus Wiley (author and ESPN commentator) and me for a spirited debate on modern-day athlete activism, Kaepernick, LeBron James/China controversy, and the role of the media in fueling negative social stereotypes.

USC Bovard Auditorium, Los Angeles, CA November 22, 2019

Moderator: AMERICAN CONSTITUTION SOCIETY – Judges Who Look Like the People: Elevating the Next Generation to the Bench

A discussion on how we can ensure that the bench better reflects California's diversity sponsored by the ACS Los Angeles Lawyer Chapter, California ChangeLawyers, the Mexican American Legal Defense Educational Fund (MALDEF), the Latina Lawyers Bar Association, the UCLA Law School Epstein Program in Public Interest Law and Policy. Featuring: Hon. Fernando Olguin (Judge, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California), Hon. Maria Lucy Armendariz (Judge, Los Angeles County Superior Court), Hon. Kevin Brazile (Presiding Judge, Los Angeles County Superior Court), Molly Greene, ACS Assistant Director of Chapters

Downtown, L.A. (MALDEF Edison Room) November 20, 2019

Guest Expert: Writer's Workshop Salon

Center Theatre Group, the parent company of the Ahmanson Theater, the Mark Taper Forum, and the Kirk Douglas Theatre, runs a Writers' Workshop for talented L.A.-based playwrights. Each playwright can interview experts in front of other member playwrights. One such playwright, Kemp Powers, interviewed me about African American racial identity in a historical context and factors that contribute to how racial groups self-identify.

Kirk Douglas Theatre, Culver City, CA November 10, 2019

Keynote: Dreams of our Fathers – A Commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the Election of Douglas F. Dollarhide as Mayor of Compton, CA (First Black mayor of a major municipality west of the Mississippi). Presented by CSUDA Gerth Archive and Special Collections Department, Mervyn M. Dymally African American Political & Economic Institute, The Compton 125 Historical Society, Sepia Artists Collective, and Beyond Image.

California State University Dominguez Hills, Carson, CA November 2, 2019

Moderator: Courage Against Racism – Hello, Privilege. It's Me, Chelsea. Black Lives Matter Los Angeles Film Screening, Fundraiser, and Panel featuring: Chelsea Handler (Comedian, Actress, Writer, Television Host, Producer, and Activist), Melina Abdullah (Co-Founder, Black lives Matter Los Angeles & Cal State LA Professor), and Dahlia Ferlito (Co-Founder, White People 4 Black Lives) Pico Union Project, Los Angeles, CA October 30, 2019

Featured Speaker: Lift Every Voice – My Journey. My Pathway.

Lift Every Voice is a series that shares the story of Black USC Faculty and Staff. USC Gould Law Building, Los Angeles, CA October 30, 2019

Host: The Role of Progressive Prosecutors in Promoting Meaningful Criminal Justice Reform DA Larry Krasner, one of the most transformation politicians elected to an executive-type position in America in the last 50 years, joined me for a discussion of his triumphs and challenges since assuming office. Our recorded

discussion can be found at my **pinned Tweet** at the top of my Twitter profile's timeline. See @NiggaTheory.

USC Gould School of Law, Los Angeles, CA October 29, 2019

Lecturer: Mock Class for Woodrow Wilson High School students participating in Law Exploration & Academic Discovery (LEAD)

USC Gould Law Building, Los Angeles, CA October 18, 2019

Panelist: What is the D.A.'s Role in the Transformation of our Justice System? I was joined in this free public forum by Miriam Krinsky (Founder and Director, Fair and Just Prosecution), Alicia Virani (Associate Director, Criminal Justice Program UCLA School of Law), Anthony Robles (Youth Organizer, Youth Justice Coalition), Dave Bryan (moderator, retired political reporter for CBS2 News). Sponsors: League of Women Voters, ACLU of Southern California, American Constitution Society of L.A., Black Jewish Justice Alliance, Fair & Just Prosecution, UCLA Law School Criminal Justice Program, USC Gould School of Law, Youth Justice Coalition, Hang Out Do Good. Pico Union Project, Los Angeles, CA October 15 2019

Panelist: Celebrating Activism: How Do Activists Reform Policing and Prosecution?

This panel discussed the important role that community activism plays in prompting traditional governmental institutions to implement reforms of policing and prosecution in Los Angeles. Other panelists: Thomas Harvey (Justice Project Director, The Advancement Project), Lynne Lyman (Campaign Advisor, Reform LA Jails), Reegie Bunch (Membership Engagement Coordinator, Dignity and Power Now).

Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, CA September 26, 2019

Speaker: Tackling Rape and Sexual Harassment at College Campuses: Navigating New Regulations with Student-Centered Response

This *Public Policy Exchange* symposium brought together stakeholder to discuss latest developments, progress, and challenges in addressing rape, sexual assault, and harassment at educational institutions across the nation. Other Speakers: Anais Lieu (Executive Director, UC Student Association), Linda Hoos (Systemwide Title IX & DHR Compliance Officer, The California State University), Victoria Friedman (Office for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Los Angeles Community College District), Atreyi Mitra (Campus Climate Officer, UC Student Association), Sheetal Chib (Director, Sexual Assault Crisis Services, YWCA Greater Los Angeles), Payal Sinha (Managing Attorney, Legal Advocacy Project, Peace Over Violence).
Convene, Downtown Los Angeles, CA August 21, 2019

Lecturer: Warrior-Scholar Project at USC

WSP empowers enlisted military veterans by providing them with a skill bridge that enables a successful transition from the battlefield to the classroom.

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA July 30, 2019

Featured Speaker: Black Lockdown – A Dialogue on Mass Incarceration & Race
Univ. of San Diego Law School Black Law Students Association April 11, 2019

Speaker: Tackling Overcrowding in California Prisons – Reducing Rates if Incarceration by Implementing Reforms and Minimizing Risk Factors

California has undergone substantial criminal justice reforms to address prison overcrowding by lowering rates of incarceration. Federal courts issued a population cap in 2011, which was followed by Propositions 36 (2012) and 47 (2014), which revised the state’s ‘three strikes law’ and recategorized some nonviolent offenses from felonies to misdemeanors. Proposition 57 authorized parole consideration for nonviolent felons, instituted credit-earning opportunities for sustained good behavior & participation in rehabilitation programs, and amended policies on juvenile prosecutions in criminal courts. This *Public Policy Exchange* symposium provided delegates with an opportunity to reflect on the successes and shortcomings of recent criminal justice legislation and to engage in cross-sector collaborations. Other Speakers: Priscilla Hunt (Economist, RAND Corporation), Marissa Arrona (Local Safety Solutions Project Director, Californians for Safety and Justice), Kiwon Yoo (Program Manager, Whole Person Care Reentry, LA County

Department of Health Services), Kellie Nadler (Deputy Director, Renewing Communities, The Opportunity Institute), Walter L. Taylor (PRCS Project Director, HealthRIGHT 360), Alberto Lule (Outreach Coordinator, UCLA Underground Scholars Initiative).

The Tower Westwood, Los Angeles, CA April 11, 2019

Featured Speaker: *Renaissance Arts Academy* utilizes the physical, intellectual, and aesthetic disciplines of music and movement to furnish multiple points of entry into core academic content and provides high-level performing arts training for students. I addressed roughly 130 RenArts 9th-12th graders about how I wed art and justice in my scholarship, as I did in my play *Race, Rap, & Redemption* and the documentary film about my brand of Critical Race Theory.

RENAISSANCE ARTS ACADEMY – A Charter Public School March 8, 2019

Featured Speaker: Free Speech v. Hate Speech – The Politics and Practicalities of Regulating Employee Speech

My one-on-one debate with Eugene Volokh on the collision course between freedom of expression and restrictions on words that wound in the workplace for the 39th Annual Los Angeles County Bar Association’s Labor & Employment Law Symposium

Millennium Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles, CA March 5, 2019

Host, Book Release and Signing Event with the LA Review of Books – The Hundred Wells of Salaga by Ghanaian author Ayesha Harruna Attah, in conversation with Nan-Ama Danquah, my home, February 16, 2019

Speaker: Marijuana in California – Navigating the Potential and Pitfalls in a Newly Legalized Industry

In November 2016, California voters approved Proposition 64, which legalized the recreational use of marijuana for those who are 21 or older. This *Public Policy*

Exchange symposium offered policymakers, business owners, public workers, researchers, scientists and advocated the opportunity to review current state and federal legislative developments, build partnerships, and consider key learnings for future policy development and research. Other Speakers: Christina Kelly (Director of Communications, West Region, American Cancer Society), Hilary Bricken (Partner, Harris Bricken Law Firm), Michelle Garakian (Assistant General Manager, Los Angeles Department of Cannabis Regulation), Eugene Morgulis (Director, Legal & Strategic Initiatives, National Association of Cannabis Businesses), Brad Rowe (Lecturer, UCLA Luskin School of Public Policy & Adjunct Professor, Pepperdine University School of Public Policy), John Yaeger (Partner, Indiva Advisers CPA).

The Tower, Downtown Los Angeles, CA February 14, 2019

Panelist: City of Los Angeles African American Heritage Month Roundtable Discussion

At the invitation of Mayor Eric Garcetti, I joined L.A. County scholars of African American Studies in a discussion of “**Black Migration: Human Rights and Transformative Resistance.**” Other Speakers: Marc Brown (Moderator, Co-Anchor, ABC7 Eyewitness News), Dr. Marcus Hunter (Chair, African American Studies, UCLA), Dr. Maulana Karenga (Chair, Africana Studies, CSULB), Dr. Donna Nicol (Chair, Africana Studies, CSDH), Dr. Boris Ricks (Director, Center for Southern California Studies, CSUN).

Public Works Chambers, Los Angeles City Hall February 13, 2019

Commentator: Responded to Professor Richard Epstein’s Federalist Society presentation on academic freedom on college campuses

USC Gould School of Law, Los Angeles, CA February 11, 2019

Panelist: #BLACK GIRLS DO MATTER: A Discussion on Media, Violence and Black Girls

Presented by Jenesse Center (a nationally recognized non-profit domestic violence prevention and intervention organization) & The California Endowment. Other panelists: Kellie Todd (Founder, Sistallect, Inc.), Dr. Angela N. Parker (Director of Trainings and Programs, Jenesse Center Inc.), Justine Skye (Roc Nation, Universal

Republic Recording Artist), Kheris Rogers (Creator of Flexin' In My Complexion), Nicole Collins (Actress).

William Morris Endeavor, Beverly Hills, CA February 7, 2019

Lecturer: Foundations of Self Class for USC Student Athletes

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA January 28, 2019

Panelist: Tinker at 50 - Student Activism on Campus

Our panel addressed *Open Expression at Public and Private Universities*. Other panelists: Tobias Barrington Wolff (moderator, Jefferson Fordham Professor of Law, University of Pennsylvania Law School), Katie Bonner (Executive Director of Student Affairs, University of Pennsylvania), Marieke Tuthill Beck-Coon (Director, Litigation at Foundation for Individual Rights in Education – FIRE), Timothy John Heaphy (University counsel for the University of Virginia).

University of Pennsylvania School of Law, Philadelphia, PA January 25, 2019

Featured Speaker: Western Regional Black Law Students Association Advocacy Luncheon UNLV Law School, Las Vegas, NV January 18, 2019

Keynote: “Unconscious Bias; The Social Construction of Black Criminals” for the “Perception in the Social World” series at Pitzer college Munroe Center for Social Inquiry Oct 9, 2018

Host: DA Larry Krasner, one of the most transformation politicians elected to an executive-type position in America in years, joined me for a discussion both at the law school and at my home, Oct. 30, 2018

Speaker: Dia De Los Muertos (Speak Our Legacy) Price Latino Student Association and the Latino Graduate Student Association, Oct. 26, 2018

Panelist: OCLERA (Orange County Labor and Employment Relations Association) re: “Taking a Knee? Holding a Torch? Speech in the Workplace,” July 18, 2018

Public Lecture for the Exposition Park Regional Library: “Racism and the Law,”
June 19, 2018

Speaker: Muslim Public Affairs Council, Feb. 5, 2018

Panelist: City of Los Angeles Heritage Month Roundtable Discussion: “African Americans in Times of War: Abroad and At Home,” City Hall Rotunda Feb. 15,

Host: LeBron James’ 330 Ambassadors (Disadvantaged youth from Akron, Ohio)
Feb. 17, 2018

Keynote: “From Incarceration to Education” at the USC Health Sciences Aresty
Conference Center April 5, 2018

Speaker: Radical Fictions: Transformational Art in the Era of Alternative Truth,
California African American Museum April 12, 2018

Panelist: UCI Law School, panelist, “The Rise of Mainstream Hate” with Prof.
Michele Goodwin and Hussam Ayloush, Executive Director, Council of American-
Islamic Relations of Greater Los Angeles April 19, 2018

Host: Justice Warriors 4 Black Lives gathering at my home with Congresswoman
Karen Bass, May 19, 2018

Host: Tupac B-Day celebration, June 16, 2018

Keynote: Free Speech v. Hate Speech, campus-wide lecture on how to reconcile
free speech and academic freedom with commitments in higher education to
inclusion, diversity, and equity.
California State University, Los Angeles September 28, 2017

Organizer and Speaker: Sports and Racial Justice in America: From Jack Johnson
to Colin Kaepernick - ESPN’s senior NFL writer, Jason Reid, and I explored the

links between sports, law, free speech, politics, & racial justice, USC Gould
September 15, 2017

Panelist: Anti-Blackness and the American Dream: Revisiting the 1992 L.A. Uprisings – Professor Stephen Lee (UC Irvine Law School) moderated a discussion between Professor Claire Jean Kim (UCI Political Studies and Asian American Studies) and me on the causes and consequences of the '92 L.A. riots
UC Irvine Center on Law, Equality, and Race October 30, 2017

Panelist: Forum on Homelessness with The Midnight Mission and the Skid Row Community – In the presence of this mega-shelter's leadership, the LAPD, Mayor Garcetti's Homelessness Policy Director, and USC School of Journalism Students, I strongly criticized the Mission's brand of coercive benevolence and "therapeutic policing" toward Skid Row residents; The Midnight Mission in L.A.'s Skid Row, October 5, 2017

Panelist: Eliminating Bias in the Courtroom: Let's Start By Looking in the Mirror! – Judges from the Access and Fairness Committee of the Los Angeles County Superior Court collaborated with attorneys from the Access to Justice Committee and Litigation Section of the LA County Bar Association to present this joint 3-hour, interactive CLE training on bias and retention of women in the legal profession; Mosk Courthouse, Downtown L.A. November 2, 2017

Panelist: Changing Culture, Supporting Victims: Tackling Rape and Sexual Harassment at Universities and Colleges - This senior level meeting for key policy makers, Title IX workers, counselors, social workers, advocates, academics, and other key stakeholders centered on the latest developments and next steps in tackling all forms of sexual misconduct at universities & colleges across California. Public Policy Exchange, Beverly Hills, December 5, 2017

Panelist: Bridging the Divide: Religion, Race, and Politics, A moderated conversation between LAPD Deputy Chief of Police Mike Downing and me for the Muslim Public Affairs Council (MPAC) 2017 Convention
Los Angeles November 5, 2017

Panelist: Talkback and Q & A following a screening of *The Rape of Recy Taylor*, a documentary about a black woman who was raped by a gang of white men in Alabama in 1944. Joining me in the discussion were the film's director Nancy Buirski, producer Beth Hubbard, consulting producer Laurens Grant and long-time LA Times journalist Sandy Banks
The Landmark Theater L.A.
October 25, 2017

Co-Symposiast: Book Symposium on Dark Ghettos: Injustice, Dissent, and Reform, USC Center for Law and Philosophy and the Center for Law, History and Culture
Joined by Tommie Shelby, Gary Watson, and Howard McGary
December 13, 2017

Panelist: Access and Fairness Committee of the L.A. Superior Court –
Addressing Judges on Conscious and Unconscious Bias in the Courtroom
Mosk Courthouse, Downtown Los Angeles (upcoming) November 2, 2017

Organizer and Speaker: 2017 Leimert Park Book Fair - moderated two panels that I and the Los Angeles Review of Books (LARB) organized for the Book Fair's Main Stage: 1) A conversation about Tupac's legacy with his first manager, Leila Steinberg 2) A panel titled "Black Minds Matter" on the underestimation of black thought in academia,
Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza August 19, 2017

Mock Class: Rethinking Self-Defense Jurisprudence
Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP
Diversity Fellows Program
USC Gould School of Law October 13, 2017

Lecturer: USC's Warrior-Scholar Project
"Boot Camp" for military veterans preparing them for rigors of life at a top university,
Doheny Intellectual Commons August 2, 2017

Keynote: Homelessness, Poverty, Police Brutality, BLM, Trump, and Mass Incarceration, Church in Ocean Park, Santa Monica January 15, 2017

Invited Discussant: USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work Race Symposium at Widney Alumni House, University Park Campus January 19, 2017

Panelist: 2017 Joint Provost/Academic Senate Retreat: “Making Progress on Climate, Safety and Wellness” The LA Westin Bonaventure February 18, 2017

Featured Speaker: 13th (an interactive screening of documentary about the mass incarceration of Blacks), sponsored by the USC Black Student Assembly and the Unruh Institute February 21, 2017

Featured Speaker: The Era of Mass Incarceration, University of La Verne College of Law, sponsored by ACS (American Constitution Society) and NBLSA (National Black Law Students Association) February 23, 2017

Keynote Address: Juvenile Justice and Social Equity Forum Day, Crossroads School for Arts and Sciences, Santa Monica March 22, 2017

Featured Speaker: Coping with Unconscious Bias at Work, School, and in Everyday Life, Keck School of Medicine of USC, The Office of Diversity and Inclusion Diversity Seminar Series March 2, 2017

Organizer and Moderator: Homelessness in L.A., a University Club signature event at the intersection of Art and Justice, featuring a photographic exhibit centered on homeless citizens (Alexo), paintings addressing homelessness (Gregg Chadwick), live music performances about homelessness, and finally a panel discussion with DPS Chief John Thomas, LACAN founder and Skid Row activist Pete White, Rossier Professor and homelessness activist Alan Green, and Skid Row activist General Jeff, April 5, 2017

Panelist: Activating Community & Policy Responses to Homelessness: A Social Change Lab Experience, sponsored by USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work Department of Community, Organization, and Business Innovation USC Davidson Center April 7, 2017

Panelist: Criminalization and Incarceration of People of Color, hosted by the USC American Studies and Ethnicity (ASE) Club, Taper Hall (joined by UCLA History Professor David Stein and a LA District Attorney) April 13, 2017

Panelist: Talkback after USC Visions and Voices performance of The Hotel Play, immersive theater about the aftermath of the 1992 L.A. Riots (joined by Professors Amy Murphy, School of Architecture, and David Sloane, Price School of Public Policy) USC Radisson April 15, 2017

Panelist: Flint Water Crisis sponsored by USC Black Student Assembly and USC African-Americans in Health, Tutor Campus Center April 17, 2017

FeaturedSpeaker, Talkback after CalArts School of Theater performance of “Anatomy of a Struggle,” an Anthony Nikolchev adaptation of Tennessee Williams’ “Not About Nightingales” California Institute of the Arts April 13, 2017

Panelist: Art in the Time of Trump, Santa Monica Art Studios January 28, 2017

FeaturedSpeaker, Talkback after Keith Wallace’s performance at the Skirball Cultural Center of The Bitter Game (joined by Black Lives Matter LA organizer Shamell Bell) January 28, 2017

Panelist: From Protest to Action to Justice: Politics, Media, and the Law, LA Times Festival of Books (joined by Professors Gillian Hadfield, Robert Scheer, and K C Cole) April 23, 2017

Speaker and Organizer: Forward LA: Race, Arts, and Inclusive Placemaking after the 1992 Civil Unrest –My session blended critical commentary with live performances by young artists about social justice) Conference sponsored by USC Sol Price School of Public Policy and Center for Social Innovation April 28, 2017

Host: Annual Tupac Shakur Commemoration with Leila Steinberg and live performances by artists from The Microphone Sessions and AIM4TheHeart, Los Angeles June 16, 2017

Panelist: Defining Urban Education at USC Rossier School of Education (I discussed the implications of findings about the cognitive unconscious for education policy) Radisson Hotel Ballroom May 15, 2017

Panelist: Gun Violence and Trauma: A Public Health Response, Town Hall presented by the Initiative for Studying Gun Violence and Trauma, Feminist Majority Foundation, Beverly Hills May 5, 2017

Panelist: Talkback for Facing Our Truth: Ten Minute Plays on Trayvon, Race and Privilege, with Dean of the USC School and Dramatic Arts David Bridel, and by the play's Director, USC's Scene Dock Theater April 1, 2017

Panelist: Talkback for The Originalist (John Strand's play about Justice Antonin Scalia, one of the Supreme Court's most polarizing figures) Joined by David Bridel (Dean of the USC School of Dramatic Arts) and Jack Knott (Dean of the USC Sol Price School of Public Policy), The Pasadena Playhouse April 26, 2017

Presenter: American Association of Law Schools (AALS) President's Program on Diversity -Presenters were chosen competitively through a call for papers on the tensions and synergies between traditional academic values of academic freedom and our heightened commitment to inclusion and equity in higher education, AALS Annual Meeting, San Francisco January 4, 2017

Featured Speaker, Foundations of Self Discussion about Racial Justice in America, with USC Student Athletes, January 30, 2017

Panelist: Race of the Races: Privilege, Exclusion, and Inequality Among People of Color in the Law Symposium - Panel—Critical Race: Understanding the Master Narrative—included Professor Laura Gomez (UCLA Law) and Lisa Ikemoto (UC Davis Law), UC Irvine School of Law, February 10, 2017

Featured Speaker, Stereotypes, Prejudice, and the Rule of Law, National Labor Relations Board (an independent federal agency that protects workers' rights), Downtown L.A. February 14, 2017

Panelist: Aligning for Black Excellence in Higher Education Conference, Hosted by USC Black Alumni Association, Marina del Rey Marriott, March 25, 2017

Featured Speaker: What Matters to Me and Why – This videotaped lecture can be found online—thanks to the Bedrosian Center, an applied research center at the USC Price School of Public Policy—under the title “Jody Armour on What Matters”); A USC Dornsife and Office of Religious Life Collaboration January 18, 2017

Keynote: Western Regional Black Law Students Association Annual Awards Gala San Diego, January 9, 2016

Panelist, Know Your Rights –joined by Deputy District Attorney Mike Bauer, The Great Company (Downtown L.A.) October 4, 2016

Organizer and Facilitator: No More Tears -Restorative Justice through Art and Dialogue between Mothers of Murder Victims and Life-Without-Parole Inmates, San Quentin Prison November 2016

Keynote: *Why Black Lives Matter*, Tolerance Education Center in Rancho Mirage, CA, February 18, 2016

Featured Speaker; Post-show conversation *Ameryka* (named production of the year & best ensemble), a play by Nancy Keystone (Critical Mass Performance Group), a play about Poland's connection to the American Revolution and slavery, with NPR's Madeleine Brand, The Shakespeare Center, L.A. February 21, 2016

Keynote: University of La Verne College of Law,
Race and the Reasonable Person, February 26, 2016

Panelist: USC Open Forum on Campus Climate -Faculty Diversity, Hiring and Retention, Sponsored by Office of the Provost and Dornsife Office for Diversity, Davidson Conference Center March 30, 2016

Panelist: USC Price School of Public Policy and School of Social Work Annual Students of Color and Allies Policy Forum, Communicating for Change: Building Narratives to Advance Social Justice, USC Radisson Hotel April 3, 2016

Host: USC Beating Mental Illness Conference, gathering at my home after panel discussion attended by Provost and Academic Senate President April 7, 2016

Lecturer: USC Law School Street Law Program, April 8, 2016

Keynote: Palisades Charter High School Diversity and Inclusion Day, May 20, 2016

Host and Organizer,: Tupac Shakur Commemoration, House of Armour, June 16, 2016

Panelist, POLITICON, panel: Black Lives Matter: Political Prisoners v. Police Impunity -Joined by Melissa Harris-Perry, Melina Abdullah, and Jasmine Abdullah Richards, Pasadena Convention Center, July 26, 2016

Lecturer: USC's Warrior-Scholar Project, The Paradox of the Declaration of Independence, July 26, 2016

Lecturer: Orientation Discussion for Entering 1Ls, USC Gould School of Law, August 19, 2016

Host: A discussion of racial justice with L.A. lawyers and Congresswoman Maxine Waters, my home, August 20, 2016

Panelist: Racial Justice discussion with the Iranian American Bar Association (IABA), the Langston Bar Association, the Mexican American Bar Association, the Latina Lawyers Bar Association (joined by O.J. Simpson’s former defense lawyer), Loyola Law School August 30, 2016

Panelist: Race and the Law Forum, presented by Cal State Long Beach Law Society, Political Science Department, Department of African Studies, & School of Criminology, Cal State Long Beach, September 14, 2016

Panelist: USC American Constitution Society (ACS) Supreme Court Review Armour discussed the racial justice implications of the SCOTUS decision in *Utah v. Strieff*, USC Gould School of Law, September 19, 2016

Panelist: Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP 8th Annual Day of Inclusion, Celebration and Education (joined by Dean Erwin Chemerinsky, a retired police chief, a constitutional policing special assistant, and the President of LA Urban League, Downtown L.A., October 18, 2016

Panelist: The Restorative Justice Vote Conference –joined by City Attorney Mike Feuer, LA County Sheriff James McDonald, and Connie Rice, Esq. -The Center for Healthy Communities, Downtown L.A. October 19, 2016

Panelist: post-screening talkback on new documentary *The Business of Amateurs*, directed by Bob DeMars, a former USC football player, criticizing the exploitation of college athletes, USC School of Cinematic Arts, George Lucas building, November 17, 2016

Panelist: City of Los Angeles African American Heritage Month discussion, “Hallowed Grounds: Sites of African American Memories,” Office of Mayor Eric Garcetti, Los Angeles City Hall, February 4, 2016

Featured Speaker: #BlackLivesMatter & the Constitution, American Constitution Society for Law and Policy (ACS), UCLA Law School, February 1, 2016

Featured Speaker: Free Speech and Words that Wound: Harmonizing Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity with Freedom of Expression, USC University Club Wicked Problems Series, January 28, 2016

Moderator and Primary-Producer: Rap and Repression, featuring Public Enemy's Chuck D (Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductee), renowned DJ Professor Lynnee Davis, Professor Melina Abdullah (Black Lives Matter leading organizer), Leila Steinberg (mentor and manager for Tupac Shakur and Earl Sweatshirt), and Professor Erik Nielson (author of SCOTUS amicus brief on the use of rap lyrics in criminal trials), USC Trojan Grand Ballroom January 24, 2016

Featured Speaker: Reckoning with Unconscious Bias in the Courtroom and Everyday Life, Irell and Manella LLP (Century City) - A Continuing Legal Education (MCLE) presentation, January 22, 2016

Panelist: School-to-Prison Pipeline, USC (Ground Zero), January 21, 2016

Television BEFORE 2020

Spectrum News 1 April 10, 2019

Interviewed about legality and morality of the death penalty in view of evolving standards of decency. Discussed my restorative justice work in San Quentin with mothers of murder victims and prisoners convicted of murder and serving life without parole.

CBS Los Angeles

June 21, 2019

Jody David Armour was quoted regarding a recent deputy-involved shooting in the Los Angeles neighborhood of Willowbrook. "If the department policy says don't shoot at moving vehicles that is pretty strong evidence I think for a lot of juries of lack of reasonableness, lack of necessity. It's not dispositive, it's just evidence," said Armour

Al Jazeera**March 21, 2018**

Interviewed about student activism in the wake of the Parkland, Florida, shootings. "Students have been at the vanguard of social movements of America for a long time," said Armour. "I think part of it has to do with youthful exuberance and fearless determination in the face of great daunting risks."

CBS News Los Angeles affiliate KCAL-TV**June 4, 2018**

Interviewed about the Supreme Court's ruling in a lawsuit alleging discrimination by a business against a same-sex couple who asked for a wedding cake. "Anti-discrimination law are important and LGBT rights are important, and will be given a lot of weight. He also said, though, you can't denigrate the religious beliefs of others." Armour said. "How do we balance freedom of religion and freedom of expression against resisting discrimination?"

Fox News Los Angeles affiliate KTTV-TV**August 8, 2018**

Quoted on police tactics and brutality. "There may be only so much that training can do because we're dealing with human beings – police are people too," Armour explained. "They have ordinary human frailties. When you are in a situation where there's fear, it's hard to remain rational in the presence of an uplifted knife."

CBS News

April 29, 2017

Jody Armour was interviewed about the impact of the 1992 Los Angeles riots following the acquittal of four white Los Angeles Police Department officers for the beating of Rodney King.

Fox News Los Angeles affiliate KTTV-TV

August 14, 2017

Jody Armour was interviewed about the difference between freedom of speech and expression and advocating for hate. "How do we vindicate the value of freedom of expression that we hold dear?" Armour questioned. "At the same time we try to minimize words that wound or symbolic expression that wound."

Fox News Los Angeles affiliate KTTV-TV

August 17, 2017

Jody Armour was quoted about President Donald Trump's false representations of General John Pershing. "President Trump is referring to an apocal story that didn't really happen," says Armour. "The question is what is the further message that hes trying to communicate. It's one of toughness it's one of I'm not going to be politically correct."

Fox News Los Angeles affiliate KTTV-TV

September 24, 2017

Jody Armour was interviewed about NFL players and owners reacting to President Donald Trump's statements about kneeling during the national anthem. "They are compelling people to have uncomfortable conversations about why it is that they're kneeling," said Armour. "Is this kneeling issue one of free speech? Is this kneeling issue one of police brutality? Is this kneeling issue one of patriotism and respect for the flag? Is this kneeling issue about the veterans and whether or not we regard the

veterans? There are five or ten different interpretations of what the real issue is here and that's why people are talking past one another a lot of times".

KCAL-TV

November 3, 2017

Jody Armour was quoted about attempts to brand peaceful protestors as Antifa. "This situation really shows the dangers of fake news," said Armour. "The concern is where others come in and hijack your agenda."

TNT, American Race Facebook Live Roundtable Moderator

May 8, 2017 & May 12, 2017

Moderator: TNT launched a two-night television exploration of race from different angles (police brutality, mass incarceration, Latino immigration, Muslims in America). To stimulate dialogue, the station hosted two **American Race** roundtables events via Facebook Live, both of which I moderated. Panelists for 1st Roundtable: Shaun King, Amanda Seales, Wendy Carrillo, Devin Allen. Panelist for 2nd Roundtable: Hoda Katebi, Julissa Arce, Peter Jae Kim, Bobby Hundreds

A&E Television

April 18, 2017

Jody Armour was interviewed about the legacy of the L.A. Riots in 1992. "When the verdict came out, it was a stunner for people coast to coast. My jaw dropped," says Armour. "There was ocular proof of what happened. It seemed compelling," he says of the videotape.

A&E Television, L.A. Burning Panel Discussion

April 9, 2017

Moderator: To commemorate the 25th anniversary of the L.A. riots, A&E hosted and broadcast a Discussion Panel that I moderated with the makers of the new A&E documentary *L.A. Burning: The Riots 25 Years Later* (Executive Producer, John Singleton, Directors, ONE9 and Erik Parker) and other panelists who witnessed, recorded or participated in the urban conflagration (Sung Hwang, Zoey Tur, Tim Goldman, Terry Ellis, Melvin Falley, Henry "Keekee" Watson) "When the verdict

came out, it was a stunner for people coast to coast. My jaw dropped," I remarked.
"There was ocular proof of what happened. It seemed compelling."

CBS News Los Angeles affiliate KCBS-TV

November 14, 2016

Quoted about the likely trajectory for demonstrations against President-elect Donald Trump. "It will turn on how he responds, the president-elect in his actions, as well as his words in the coming days."

CBS News Los Angeles affiliate KCBS-TV

September 22, 2016

Quoted about California's tracking system for use of force by law enforcement.

Univision Los Angeles affiliate KMEX-TV

July 14, 2016

Quoted about the tensions between marginalized communities and law enforcement.

Fox News Los Angeles affiliate KTTV-TV

September 20, 2016

Quoted about video footage of Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department officers shooting an 18-year-old in Norwalk in 2015. "The critical moment of when there was or wasn't a weapon presented is obscure to the viewer, so the viewer, which would be the jury, is going to have to fill that in with their own experience."

KCBS-TV

August 10, 2016

Quoted about the case against former Los Angeles County Sheriff Lee Baca for obstruction of justice. "This was a jaw-dropping case of an attempt to escape accountability and responsibility by the highest levels of the Los Angeles Sherriff's Department. It's going to be hard enough for him to distance himself from those convicted wrong-doers."

CBS Los Angeles KCBS-TV

April 29, 2016

Quoted about violence at political rallies and Southern California's history with riots. "A lot of the violence is self-destructive for sure and self-defeating. The question is: 'Is it a response to bad conditions that's in any way understandable? Is it in any way justified?' And it really hurts the cause a lot of times. We in California have a long history of riots, both in the Watts riots and the '92 riots, protesting social conditions where people were oppressive. But the riots didn't make things better."

CW News (KTLA-TV)

February 24, 2016

Quoted in a special report about racism in modern American culture. "Modern psychology approaches stereotypes as habits. The worst thing to do if you're trying to fight a habit is to ignore it. Gallup polls have found that over 20 percent more Americans, 18 or 24 months after the Black Lives Matter movement started, view race as a serious problem in America," he added.

3 Documentaries Featuring My Commentary

Netflix "Hello Privilege, It's Me, Chelsea"

Sept. 16, 2019

Chelsea Handler filmed part of her Netflix documentary about white privilege titled "Hello Privilege, It's Me, Chelsea" during at my home and featured comments from USC law and undergraduate students. I point out in the documentary that "As lawyers ... we actually do believe conversation matters, language matters, discourse matters, dialogue matters – because you can move the needle with the right kind of hard work and painful, uncomfortable conversations like we're having now."

There goes the neighborhood, 2016-2017

A documentary on the gentrification of View Park

USC School of Cinematic Arts
Winner: Best Documentary, SCA's First Look Film Festival 2017
Official 2017 Selections: LA Film Festival, Pan African Film Festival, American
Documentary Film Festival, San Diego Latino Film Festival, Langston Hughes
African American Film Festival, North West Fest

Freeway: Crack in the System, 2015

Includes scenes of award-winning director Marc Levin and former drug kingpin
Freeway Rick Ross joining my seminar to discuss the causes and consequences of
the crack plague

Radio BEFORE 2020

KPCC-FM

Nov. 27, 2019

Jody Armour was interviewed about the complexities of the 8th and 13th Amendments and their impact on where the country sits today. "It took a cataclysmic race war and 600,000 dead Americans to end slavery and usher in the 13th amendment," Armour said.

KPCC-FM

July 10, 2019

Jody Armour was quoted about a new bill that would broaden the uses of wiretapping in California courts. "The concern that people on the civil liberties side, and those who have a keen interest in privacy rights, they would ask, are we taking a sledgehammer rather than a scalpel to a particular problem?"

KPCC-FM
July 2, 2019

Jody Armour spoke on KPCC Air Talk about Senate Bill 439, which would expand law enforcement's ability to prosecute on charges other than those specifically considered within court-ordered wiretaps. "When it comes to a lot of crimes, like violent felonies, that evidence comes in," explained Armour. "But others, we're going to be more reluctant to let that evidence in, even though it's tempting to because they are serious crimes too. But that's the price we're going to have to pay for privacy and it is what has been the balance up until now, and this changes that balance."

KCRW-FM
June 28, 2019

Jody Armour spoke on KCRW's Press Play about the wave of progressive prosecutors and Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey. "She opposed bail reform...she opposed a voter initiative to reduce some non-violent felonies to misdemeanors...she opposed the legalization of recreational marijuana...so, I'm wondering what her definition of a progressive prosecutor would really be," Armour said.

KPCC-FM
May 16, 2019

Jody Armour, on an episode of KPCC Air Talk, commented on Harvard Law School's decision to remove a Harvard faculty member from his position as head of a student house after joining Harvey Weinstein's team of defense attorneys. "The students feeling uncomfortable is not sufficient reason standing alone to dismiss someone from a position," he said.

KPCC-FM
May 16, 2019

Jody Armour commented on Alabama's proposed law outlawing abortion even in cases of rape and incest, which may punish providers who perform abortions with felony charges.

KPCC-FM
Feb. 6, 2019

Jody Armour was quoted on KPCC's Air Talk about the pervasiveness and durability of blackface. "In the sixth grade I can remember white kids coming to class in Jackson 5 outfits, complete with Afros and brown shoe polish on their faces," Armour said.

KPCC-FM's "AirTalk"

February 15, 2018

Interviewed about the evolution and future of the black middle class. "Part of the rise of the black middle class, at least in LA, has to do with a professor like me, with a modest salary, being able to live where people with my income couldn't normally afford except that property values were artificially low because it was considered a black neighborhood," said Armour.

KPCC-FM's "AirTalk"

February 1, 2018

Interviewed about a suit alleging Walmart unfairly discriminates by imposing stricter security procedures for products targeted to black Americans. "Perhaps it's rational in the sense that this group is disproportionately involved in property crimes. The question then becomes: Is it reasonable? Even if it is rational and statistically justified, is it reasonable given the social costs imposed on black customers from that group?" Armour said

KPCC-FM's "AirTalk"

May 9, 2018

Interviewed about First Amendment rights on university campuses. "The most important indication of bias being the student's own feelings," Armour explained.

"Consult your own subjective feelings, and if someone feels offended, then they have a legitimate basis to ask the university to bring its compulsory process to bear on another student."

KPCC-FM's "AirTalk"

July 10, 2018

Interviewed about President Trump's U.S. Supreme Court nominee and the possible impact on civil rights and midterm elections. "We're really witnessing the triumph

of conservative jurisprudence and activism,” Armour explained. “The federalist society has shown how to devote tactically and strategically, changing the shape of the court and recognizing that in changing the demographics you’re going to profoundly affect who we are as a nation.”

KPCC-FM’s “AirTalk”

July 5, 2018

Interviewed about the two likely nominees for the open U.S. Supreme Court seat. “I don’t see the kinds of differences that suggest that one might change strife or colors more quickly than the other,” Armour said. “Trump’s choice to replace Kennedy as swing vote on this nine-member court really has the potential to remake the court for a generation as part of precedent – really shattering issues on abortion, healthcare, gay marriage, and other issues.”

KPCC-FM's "AirTalk"

September 10, 2018

Interviewed about allegations of racism at an Orange County high school football game. “A famous supreme court case, Tinker v. Des Moines Independent Community School District, held that the first amendment’s guarantee of freedom of speech applies to students in public schools,” Armour recounted. “Students do not shed their constitutional rights at the schoolhouse gates.”

National Public Radio

July 14, 2018

Quoted in a story on the problems of people calling the police unnecessarily in racially charged situations. "You have an alarming tendency of white people starting to use 911 as their kind of customer service line when they have any friction with a black person," said Armour.

National Public Radio

July 13, 2018

Quoted in a story on the problems of people calling the police unnecessarily in racially charged situations. "You can look at what's going on right now as just an expression of the age-old black tax," Armour explained. "The black tax is the price black people pay because of stereotypes and prejudice in America in their official interactions with police and in their everyday interactions with the ordinary citizens."

KPCC-FM's "AirTalk"

December 03, 2018

Interviewed on a Republican private club alleging a free speech violation. "It's an intriguing theory," Armour explained. "The idea that these tenants are stewards of scarce public resources," Armour explained, "and therefore have to exercise whatever control they have in ways that serve the public interest and nondiscriminatory is intriguing to be sure."

KPCC

October 29, 2018

Interviewed on "Air Talk" about effective ways of dealing with hate speech. "I just don't see where else you're going to be able to draw the line between the kind of transgressive speech that you want to protect because it is advocating on the behalf of marginalized communities, and the kind of speech that you just find hateful because they don't share your political perspective," Armour explained. "That's a slippery slope."

KCRW-FM

June 19, 2017

Discussed the parallels between the trials of Bill Cosby and O.J. Simpson.

KPCC-FM's "AirTalk"

June 22, 2017

Discussed how personal experience and identity forms an individual's view about law enforcement. "I think about the shattering of a child's innocence," says Armour, "You have to sit down with your 8 or 9 child as a black parent, which is what I did with my 3 boys, and tell them that If you are a black person, you cannot expect to be treated just like your friends. That's a horror truth to come to grips with as an 8 or 9 year old, but for the sake of survival, parents often feel like they need to communicate that."

KPCC-FM's "AirTalk"

August 16, 2017

Interviewed about the legal limits of protesting hate speech. "One bright line there is going to be any physical violence," Armour said.

StoryCorps

July 22, 2017

My brother Jeff and I, both law school graduates, discussed the fact that we are living legacies of a jail house lawyer par excellence, namely, our dad, Fred Armour, who taught himself the law and found the key to his cell door in the Warden's own library.

KCRW-FM Press Play with Madeleine Brand

June 19, 2017

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KPCC-FM's "AirTalk"

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NPR

April 26, 2017

Quoted about the legacy of the Los Angeles Police Department 25 years after the Los Angeles riots and the acquittal of the officers who were videotaped beating Rodney King. "There was ocular proof of what happened. It seemed compelling. And yet, we saw a verdict that told us we couldn't trust our lying eyes. That what we thought was open and shut was really 'a reasonable expression of police control' toward a black motorist."

NPR

April 26, 2017

Quoted about the evolution of the Los Angeles Police Department and where it stands today. "Try to imagine taking LA Confidential, Serpico and Training Day and rolling them all into one and you still don't have the magnitude of the Rampart scandal."

Rising up With Sonali- Vimeo

April 28, 2017

Interviewed about the Los Angeles riots, 25 years later. "In 1992, you had a deep reservoir of resentment. This accumulated by members in the black community and the police force that they saw as an occupied force in their community."

KPCC's AirTalk

April 11, 2017

Interviewed about how the recent election has polarized Americans. "It's been said to me that it's ironic that I teach criminal law when I look like a criminal. When asked about students' sensitivity to certain issues, I observed, "I had to be thick-

skinned. My dad used to say, 'It's a cold world out there, put on a bomber jacket.' That's how we toughened up. Yes, I think a college campus should help students develop thick skin that could help take them into the public marketplace and compete effectively."

KPCC-FM's "AirTalk"

December 8, 2016

Interviewed about how expanding the definition of a hate crime diminishes its value. "What hate crimes have traditionally done is protect what have been considered vulnerable classes of citizens that can be defined in a variety of ways, but often aimed at oppressed communities, communities with a history of disenfranchisement . They typically are not based on any type of employment category. You can don and doff a suit or uniform but can't don or doff personal characteristics like race, disability or gender. The thing that concerns me most is that they can make protesters and activists guilty of felony hate crime."

KCRW

November 21, 2016

Interviewed about how to balance identity politics without ignoring racism, sexism and other forms of bigotry. "I'm all for this kind of politics of identity once we recognize that all politics is identity politics in a sense when we stand for the red white and blue, what does that stand for? Before the Civil War it stood for slavery. Before the Civil Rights movement that red, white and blue stood for segregation and now the red, white and blue stands for something much more inclusive. We have gradually become more inclusive and we have our symbol standing for a more equitable and diverse community."

KPCC-FM's "Take Two"

October 3, 2016

Quoted on the effect video evidence of police shootings have on public opinion on the use of lethal force. "If you comply you can die, if you can't comply you will die. There is a kind of exhaustion and fatigue from people who are seeing these videos"

KPCC-FM "Airtalk"

September 23, 2016

Interviewed about two current cases, from Tulsa, Okla. and Charlotte, N.C., involving police shootings of African-American men. "Blacks are perceived as more threatening and menacing than whites."

NPR

July 25, 2016

Quoted on the factors that contribute to certain police shootings receiving more media coverage than others. "Cell phone videos have helped sort things out. That powerful combination of audio-visual impact of police encounters with citizens I think hits people at a visceral level in a way that merely a verbal recitation won't."

KCRW-FM

July 11, 2016

Quoted on "To the Point" about Black Lives Matter and the shooting of police officers in Dallas. "The president is going to be at the funeral services, as well as the vice president and past presidents, to make sure that the country knows that these blue lives matter, that we care and aren't just going about business as usual. What Black Lives Matter has been saying is that the same kind of care and concern isn't shown for the victims of state violence. If we can care about all lives, that would be the key thing."

KPCC-FM

July 8, 2016

Interviewed on "AirTalk" about the Dallas Police Shooting and Black Lives Matter movement. "I think one of the things that the Black Lives Matter movement has been saying is that we're going to recognize the value of the blue lives. We're going to recognize that pain and suffering, but do we have the same mourning for the black lives that are taken by state officials, state representatives? This is a moment to think about our empathy and sympathy and do they go equally to both groups."

KPCC-FM**June 3, 2016**

Interviewed on "Take Two" about the conviction of a Black Lives Matter activist under California lynching law. "Initially it was an anti-rioting statute. If you used force and violence ... acting with two people or more, that is a criminal offense ... and there was a special provision added (405a) that if you rioted and if you're trying to take someone away from officials in order to lynch them, we're not going to call that a misdemeanor, we're going to call that a felony. It was used to fight lynchings that was going on at the time."

KPCC-FM**May 31, 2016**

Interviewed on "AirTalk" about the shooting of a gorilla after a small child entered its enclosure. "The zoo is going to have to explain, if it gets to a jury, how a three or four year old was able to skirt their precautions and get in a pit with a gorilla that was potentially lethal. It's going to present the legal issue of whether reasonable care was exercised and whether you cared more about the immersive experience, and making money from that immersive experience, or protecting children like this particular near victim."

KPCC-FM**April 12, 2016**

Interviewed on "AirTalk" about race relations in the United States. "We used to think that we were moving towards a post-racial society. We had this sense of the post-racial America kind of myth that got some traction for a while there, and then we started seeing the steady stream of hashtags, and we saw the Department of Justice go to Ferguson and say that this police department is rife with corruption, as many others are... There's at least a heightened awareness of there potentially being something debatable out here, a potential problem."

KPCC-FM

April 4, 2016

Quoted about the relationship between the Los Angeles Police Department and the surrounding community of Los Angeles. "As a result of the consent decree, we moved toward less aggressive policing strategy and at the same time crime continued to dip, continued to go down through 2000 into early 2011, 2012, 13, right? And so it shows that we could change the relationship between the police and the community, not have necessarily very aggressive policing and still have reductions in crime."

KPCC-FM

February 25, 2016

Interviewed on "Take Two" about criminal charges against Black Lives Matter activists for civil disobedience. "Clearly the city attorney here is characterizing the civil disobedience practiced by the Black Lives Matter activists as a violent form of resistance."

KCRW-FM

February 16, 2016

Interviewed on "Press Play" about Kendrick Lamar's performance at the Grammy Awards. "He gave voice to a lot of the zeitgeist behind Black Lives Matter. He had his people come out in chains, and we have in some of these inner-city neighborhoods up to 90 percent of young black males are going to wind up in jail, on probation or on parole at some point in their lives."

Newspapers, Magazines, & Online Publications BEFORE 2020

Courthouse News Service

Dec. 16, 2019

Mentioned as moderator of a debate between two candidates running to be Los Angeles County's District Attorney.

Los Angeles Times

Nov. 8, 2019

Jody Armour was quoted on a murder charge against a drug-addicted mother who gave birth to a stillborn child. "It becomes a question of whether you as a prosecutor think that it's appropriate to treat a woman who has a drug addiction problem as having enough agency and choice to act at that level of extreme indifference to the well-being of her unborn child," Armour said.

The Associated Press

Oct. 31, 2019

Jody Armour was quoted about murder charges following a deadly explosion at an illegal drug lab in a Los Angeles. By bringing murder charges rather than manslaughter, prosecutors will need to establish the participants acted with malice and indifference to human life, he said. "That is sometimes a very hard hurdle to clear," said Armour. "Sometimes accidental deaths can show the same kind of depravity as an intentional killing."

The New York Times

Aug. 17, 2019

Jody Armour was quoted in a story about independent civilian oversight of the City of Phoenix (AZ) police force after some controversial incidents involving people of color. "For long and abiding changes, it will take a kind of revolution in the way we think about crime and punishment. And in our relations between police and the community."

The Associated Press
Aug. 17, 2019

Jody Armour was quoted in a story about independent civilian oversight of the City of Phoenix (AZ) police force after some controversial incidents involving people of color.

Yahoo News
July 6, 2019

Jody Armour was quoted about the use of body cameras in law enforcement. Armour stated that body cameras "have done quite a bit of good," but that they are only effective when regulations are properly enforced.

Los Angeles Times
June 18, 2019

Jody Armour was quoted in a story about an LAPD officer opening fire in a Costco store, and the legitimacy of firearm permits in California. "The real question will be whether a reasonable person in the situation of the shooter would have believed he was under attack, threatened with death or serious bodily injury," said Armour.

San Diego Union-Tribune
June 18, 2019

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Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
June 18, 2019

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MSN

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The Washington Post
Feb. 16, 2019

Jody Armour was quoted about the use of blackface to dehumanize and devalue black people. "Are white people who want to put on blackface going to listen to black people who are injured by their expressive conduct?" Armour said.

The Undefeated
Jan. 3, 2019

Jody Armour was quoted on the complicated relationship between the Dallas Cowboys NFL team and their black fans in light of the team owner's announcement that his players would be required to stand during the National Anthem.

Los Angeles Times
March 15, 2018

Quoted about the large sum a court awarded in damages to a family of a man fatally shot by a San Bernardino County deputy. "The jury was convinced that there was clear and convincing evidence that the officer was not merely negligent and unreasonable in killing the victim, but that his behavior was egregious, that it was characterized by malice," Armour said. "I remember \$5-, \$7-, \$8-million awards, but nothing in this area."

Los Angeles Sentinel
February 22, 2018

Quoted about the need to reduce gun violence overall, not just in mass shooting scenarios. "A lot of times, it is members of the Black community, truly

disadvantaged Blacks, turning guns on one another and squeezing the trigger,” Armour said. “If you want to reduce that rate of violence, focus on the social inequalities.”

Inverse

April 20, 2018

Quoted about the racist enforcement of marijuana-related crimes. “The 4/20 celebrations should be tempered by a sober recognition that many disproportionately black lives have been sacrificed on the altar of a failed drug war that was racist at its inception and in its execution,” Armour said. “More than just a day of celebration, 4/20 should be a day of reckoning in which liberal and progressive politicians are called out for their many years of support for a racist and wasteful war on drugs.”

Los Angeles Times

October 29, 2018

Quoted in a story about Inglewood's mayoral election. “What you have is almost a proxy war,” said Armour. “You have both candidates who are standing for proxies or surrogates.”

Los Angeles Times

September 22, 2018

Quoted in a story on the role race and privilege may have played in the clearance of charges against a wealthy teen for a murder in South L.A. "Studies have shown that black people are viewed more unsparingly than whites for the same crime," Armour

explained, adding that "a white "wrongdoer" is often thought to be influenced by extenuating circumstances rather than being a bad person."

Los Angeles Times
September 11, 2018

Quoted in a story about free speech and political signs at a high school football game. "A student has a legal right to wear a T-shirt supporting President Trump, and a chant of 'USA!' wouldn't raise eyebrows at a World Cup soccer game. But context matters," Armour said. "You're using it as a way of insinuating that the people on the other team are not really one of us. ... They're not really American."."

BRICK
Edition 04, January, 2018

A new London-based print magazine representing the new age of hip-hop culture, BRICK devoted 19 pages to Microphone Sessions, the Art and Social Justice project I've hosted at my home for the last 10 years. USC Gould students were also highlighted in its story.

LA Curbed
July 12, 2018

Quoted about how Los Angeles can combat its homelessness problem ahead of hosting the 2028 Olympics. "They could opt for a more cosmetic approach," Armour suggested. "Or they could do something concrete and substantive that addresses the lack of affordable housing and the lack of adequate jobs and mental health services."

ATTN:
May 5, 2017

Interviewed on the racial undertones in the public discourse that equate the death of an honor roll student as more tragic than other police shootings of black youth. "This is very much what the Black Lives Matter movement was cautioning against," says Armour. "The 'politics of respectability' approach to black victims requires that

a black victim be morally immaculate before he or she deserves our empathy care or concern."

The Atlanta Journal Constitution

May 3, 2017

Interviewed on why he uses a certain racially-charged word in his Twitter handle in order to be disruptive. "There's no other word that comes with the same power. It's supercharged, radioactive and glows in the dark," he said. "It's a difficult word, a transgressive word, and it's an unsayable word for many people."

ATTN:

June 3, 2017

Quoted on comedian Bill Maher's use of the n-word and why it was inappropriate. "[White people] came to recognize early on that the word has a special power and they wonder why they can't get some of that," Armour said. "When whites are talking about the 'double standard' it's really a concern and frustration about there being any valuable cultural property that they can't appropriate."

The Blaze

June 14, 2017

Quoted about why it is inappropriate for certain groups to use the n-word. "At the end of the day, he's still a 56-year-old white guy who enjoys all of that privilege that social designation comes with," Armour said. "He cannot deny that, and he cannot run away from that. And, as someone who occupies that privileged position, he has ... a responsibility to be sensitive to socially marginalized groups."

Associated Press

June 19, 2017

Quoted about how social attitudes may have played a role in the hung jury in the case against Bill Cosby.

Law

June 19, 2017

Quoted on why it is uncommon for long jury deliberations to result in a conviction.

Los Angeles Daily News

August 25, 2017

Quoted on whether the Los Angeles Police Department's Citizens Police Academy provides an accurate representation of law enforcement and its flaws. "That's important so the students have an accurate and balanced view of the police department and the community that it serves," said Armour.

Good

August 25, 2017

Interviewed on why the justice system is more likely to consider a self-defense defense justifiable if the threat is presented by a black victim. "It's not just white-on-black self-defense claims," said Armour. "It's any self-defense claims that include a black victim, whether the shooter is white, black, Latino, or Asian."

The Washington Post

October 22, 2017

Quoted on how each generation needs to relearn linguistic boundaries. "It's a process that we go through every generation — reteaching and relearning what the linguistic boundaries are," Armour said. "It's like every year or two I turn on the TV and I see, yet again, some college students learning that you can't wear an Afro and blackface to the Halloween party."

ATTN:

June 3, 2017

Quoted about how a white police officer's shooting and killing of his daughter's unarmed 19-year-old black boyfriend reflects a longstanding basis of racial resentment: interracial intimacy. "Even here in 21st century America, resistance to

interracial relationships is still a strong emotional barrier to real racial equality and integration.”

ESPN's "The Undefeated"

June 30, 2017

Quoted about team owners and front office personnel avoiding Colin Kaepernick for protesting police brutality and racial injustice in America by kneeling during the national anthem. “But what they’re doing is sending a deterrent signal out to all other players. They’re sending a signal to anyone who might be thinking about taking unpopular political stances and supporting maligned and marginalized groups: We want you to see what can happen to you. Look what happened to Kaepernick.”

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The Orange County Register

April 18, 2017

Interviewed about how companies should handle racial profiling by their employees because of the long-term effects it can have on the targeted party. “Discrimination is not something that only bad people do. It’s something we all do at times because it happens at a sub-conscious level. We need to approach discrimination as a public health issue, as a collective problem. It’s not and it should not be about blaming or vilifying anyone.”

Buzzfeed

March 23, 2017

Quoted on why aggressively policing some forms of speech is a slippery slope for law enforcement. “The danger is in creating flexibility on rules based on moral determination, because it falls on the judgment of the people in place and time. And what they call right and wrong is shifting sand.”

Los Angeles Sentinel

March 29, 2017

Interviewed about why the Los Angeles Police Department should release body camera footage in the interest of transparency and when warranted, not as the result of the policy's popularity. "Police should release such footage because in many minority communities, there is a crisis of confidence in police departments, a crisis that strikes at the very heart and soul of the moral credibility and moral legitimacy of law enforcement, a crisis that can only be addressed by greater transparency and accountability, not by public relations stunts or popular votes on whether there should be greater transparency in police departments."

Los Angeles Times

January 25, 2017

Mentioned in an article about Keith A. Wallace's "The Bitter Game," coming to the Skirball Cultural Center in Los Angeles on Friday and Saturday.

ATTN:

January 11, 2017

Quoted about the recognition of institutional racism in law enforcement. "It's uncomfortable to admit that our privilege could rest on the oppression of other people. That could make our dinner taste a little funny."

The Press-Enterprise

January 15, 2017

Quoted about the true legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. "To really get rid of inequality, we've got to go beyond being able to drink at the same water fountain."

Los Angeles Times

December 25, 2016

Quoted about the high risk of recidivism for former inmates and the lack of resources for this group when they are released from prison. "We put these people

in a Catch-22. They are socially marooned, but there are no real ways to fully return to society. There's no way to be whole again."

U.S. News & World Report

November 15, 2016

Quoted on how President-elect Donald Trump's administration may investigate fewer claims of unconstitutional police practices. "They would probably send the Department of Justice out to investigate fewer claims of police departments engaging in unconstitutional patterns and practice."

ESPN's "The Undefeated"

October 16, 2016

Quoted about the pressure on Colin Kaepernick to succeed on the football field to support his social justice stances. "When athletes speak out on social issues, their performance often is integral to their message. Just look at boxing champ Muhammad Ali. Muhammad Ali's ability to back up his political stances with winning records in the boxing ring ... was part of his protest. And we root for good or evil to prevail – however we define good and evil."

The New York Times

October 5, 2016

Quoted on why law enforcement officers are rarely convicted for the use of lethal force. "Police officers have a hero's halo in the minds of many Americans. Officers could plausibly argue they thought the suspect had a gun, so they used their vehicles to protect themselves and the public."

Los Angeles Times

September 22, 2016

Quoted on how it is unlikely a jury will find a law enforcement officer guilty, even with compelling evidence. "It may be that the prosecution is making a rational judgment, but getting a conviction against a police officer is very difficult. Jurors just don't convict, even when there is compelling evidence."

U.S. News & World Report
September 22, 2016

Quoted about why digital tracking of police use of force is a significant first step in changing the culture, but not the solution. "My concern is that this approach might be viewed by many as sufficient, as a sop to activists and watchdogs that will have legislators and other people with oversight rest on their oars. It may be a good first step, but sadly sometimes the first step is the only step."

The Christian Science Monitor
September 20, 2016

Quoted about the timing of the Tulsa police chief's vow to do "the right thing" after the shooting of a black man. "You would think the police department has engaged in critical self-reflection since then. But while Jordan is making 'the right noises,' a lot of these expressions of concern by the police chief just sound hollow when not backed up by concrete reform."

The Washington Post
September 20, 2016

Quoted on why a white man's use of the n-word - even by one who historically supports black causes - reinforces his position of privilege. "At the end of the day, he's still a 56-year-old white guy who enjoys all of the privilege that social designation comes with. He cannot deny that, and he cannot run away from that. And, as someone who occupies that privileged position, he has ... a responsibility to be sensitive to socially marginalized groups."

The Washington Post

August 30, 2016

Quoted on how each generation must learn the difference between freedom of expression and insensitive speech, and how casual bigotry creeps into society's speech patterns.

Attn:

August 26, 2016

Interviewed about the different definitions for racism in society. "You could have everybody wake up tomorrow without any racism or prejudice in their minds, everybody was just another human being like it was the Rapture, and nobody looked at color. Black people would still have a fraction of the wealth of white people. Black people would still be stuck in neighborhoods without adequate resources or impoverished schools. And they would still be stuck in those schools. The legacy of racism is something that can operate in the absence of psychological racism."

The Washington Post

August 16, 2016

Quoted on a national trend of prosecuting protesters. I described the case as a possible example of prosecutors becoming "more zealous in their prosecution of protesters." "Most times in the past, there wouldn't have been any legal action following this," Armour said.

Attn:

August 12, 2016

Quoted on why politicians support the death penalty despite the lack of evidence that it deters crime. "Political gridlock has allowed capital punishment to persist."

Attn:

August 11, 2016

Quoted about societies limited understanding of the difference between prejudice, stereotypes and institutional racism. "This is something I've thought about for a long time when I wrote my book, 'Negrophobia and Reasonable Racism. I explored the distinction between stereotypes and prejudice."

Attn:

July 29, 2016

Quoted on the lack of impact that climbing the economic ladder makes for African-Americans in their experience of racial profiling. He recalled an incident in which he was mistaken for a shooting suspect in his neighborhood. "I was walking out of my door and all of a sudden I had guns drawn on me and I have sheriffs putting me in the back of a police car and searching my house. The gunshot they were investigating, they didn't know where it came from but when I walked out the door they assumed it must have been me because I didn't look like I belonged in the 'black Beverly Hills.'"

Los Angeles Sentinel

July 27, 2016

Quoted about a city volunteer who made comments about the Black Lives Matter movement. "I think it was outrageous. It's jaw-dropping ... What to me, is shocking about what Najee Ali did was that he, as a representative of the mayor, showed callous indifference to Black pain ... It wasn't only callous indifference. It was bordering on sadism, fingering a bleeding ulcer, throwing salt in a wound".

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July 20, 2016

Quoted about the expectation of privacy and whether Taylor Swift was aware her phone conversation with Kanye West was recorded and would be shared. "'The whole question of whether or not the communication is confidential comes down to whether the parties to that conversation had a reasonable expectation of privacy.

Los Angeles Daily News

July 18, 2016

Quoted about the social consequences associated with freedom of expression, such as violence. “Is freedom of expression, freedom of political expression a value that is worth risking some lives for?”

The Christian Science Monitor

July 17, 2016

Quoted on the relationship between citizens and law enforcement. “What it indicates is we’re in the middle of what may be a transformation in the relationship between citizens and the police department in matters of transparency and accountability.”

The Press Enterprise

July 15, 2016

Quoted about the effect of videos showing police shootings of black males on people's perspectives. “We can’t help but feel the pain of Alton Sterling’s family or Philando Castile’s little girl in the back seat and his girlfriend. On the other hand, we can’t look at the five officers’ families and the grief that they’re going through and not mourn their loss. Rarely has there ever been this kind of juxtaposition. You’re able to perceive things simultaneously from two different perspectives.”

The San Bernardino County Sun

July 9, 2016

Quoted about the anger following the acquittal of the police officers involved in the Rodney King case. “For the black community to finally be able to say ‘here’s the smoking gun of what we’ve been talking about.’ And for a white jury to dismiss and discount our social reality as a figment of our imagination despite ocular proof — that is what was enraging.”

Reuters**July 8, 2016**

Quoted on the impact of the "Black Lives Matter" movement on public discourse around race. "What Black Lives Matter has been able to do is to maintain a focus on this issue and a persistence that has lasted for over two years now."

Business Insider**July 7, 2016**

Quoted on the likelihood videos on social media will lead to convictions in police shootings. "I see a social movement fueled by social media in a way that I never have in my life before. But I'm not necessarily sanguine about the prospect of these videos resulting in more convictions."

The Christian Science Monitor**July 7, 2016**

Quoted on the relationship between the police and the public. "We're in the middle of what may be a transformation in the relationship between citizens and the police department in matters of transparency and accountability. The governor's proactive steps in this case may be a part of that new pattern that's emerging in which law enforcement leaders and political leaders realize it's more important to get in front of a story rather than play catch-up. This suggests that a difference is being made."

The Christian Science Monitor**July 6, 2016**

Quoted about changing the level of transparency and accountability expected of police departments in light of the shooting of Alton Brown. "The governor's proactive steps in this case may be a part of that new pattern that's emerging in which law enforcement leaders and political leaders realize it's more important to get in front of a story rather than play catch-up. This suggests that a difference is being made."

The Huffington Post
June 30, 2016

Quoted on how employers may avoid lawsuits from employees who may need to travel to a Zika-affected area for business purposes. "Asking employees to sign waivers or negotiating additional compensation might reduce the chance of a dispute later. You could argue that your employer knew they were sending you into a grossly, excessively risky situation, so they should be treated not just as an accident, but as willful wrongdoing by your employer."

Pasadena Star News
June 11, 2016

Quoted about how changes to the California lynching law has made it easier to punish protesters and activists. "The precise evil that the lawmakers designed the law to punish and prevent was lynching, not just the taking of a person from police custody, but in order to murder them."

Esquire Magazine
May 23, 2016

Quoted on "The Castle Doctrine" and how it relates to self-defense. "The Castle Doctrine comes into play in a person's home. It says you have no duty to retreat if you're in your home, even if you can do so safely and even if there's a less drastic alternative. It's an exception, because normally you only use lethal force when it's necessary."

The New York Times
May 19, 2016

Quoted on a lawsuit filed by the Los Angeles police officer's union and calls for reform within the department. "What this indicates is a fissure, some kind of split going on within LAPD itself between top brass and the rank-and-file."

Los Angeles Times

May 18, 2016

Quoted on the use of racist terms by white students, and the history of racism and misogyny in popular culture. “Blame for the ideas expressed in the misogynistic song they sang does not solely or even primarily rest on the teenagers but on a mass culture that celebrates the objectification of women, a music industry that supports and markets that music to young people, and the musician who performed the song. Nevertheless, the students do control their actions, and if they are given a better education in the history of racism and misogyny, they might become more discriminating in their choice of music.”

Los Angeles Times

March 5, 2016

Quoted about whether or not O.J. Simpson could be tried again for double homicide after the alleged discovery of a knife on his former property. “While double jeopardy prevents Simpson from being retried, that does not prevent someone else from being charged. Let's say a friend helped stash the evidence — the knife — and they get some proof from the knife of that role. Then there could be accomplice liability.”

Los Angeles Times

March 4, 2016

Quoted about whether or not O.J. Simpson could be retried based on new evidence. “The 5th Amendment ensures double jeopardy would preclude a second trial for O.J. Simpson. O.J. cannot be tried again in the double murder.”

Los Angeles Daily News

March 1, 2016

Quoted about Donald Trump's initial reluctance to reject an endorsement by David Duke, a former leader of the Ku Klux Klan. I said that Trump's language has emboldened racists. “When you do have the KKK in your corner and you don't

denounce them and distance yourself from them immediately, then it does seem you are allowing back into American politics something we thought had been left behind.”

Los Angeles Downtown News

January 11, 2016

Quoted about a spike in reported crimes in downtown Los Angeles. “You can’t be sure until you see a major trend line. You have outliers and anomalies. Crime in L.A. has been on a downward trend in the big picture. There is a big difference between individual years and groups of years, over five or 10 years, when it comes to understanding correlation and causation.”

The Los Angeles Times

January 9, 2016

The Los Angeles Times reported that I would discuss race and rap lyrics at an event to be held at the Ronald Tutor Campus Center. The event was part of a larger series of events held January 22-24 titled "Freedom of Expression in a Changing World: What Cannot Be Said" which coincides with the anniversary of the Charlie Hebdo attacks. "The idea that there are certain things that cannot be said is part of what this conference is about and also part of what led to those killings," said Amy Wilentz, co-founder and chairwoman of the Forum for the Academy and the Public.

“The Rise of Black Lives Matter & the Black Collegiate Athlete” *Reel Urban News*
January 2016

Podcasts BEFORE 2020

The Hotel Play (from the Playwright’s Arena, was an immersive, site-specific (staged at the USC Radisson) theatrical experience that looked at the lives changed by the ’92 L.A. riots) *Bedrosian Center* (an applied research center at the USC

Price School of Public Policy) *Policy at the Playhouse* (a Bedrosian Center initiative that features conversations about how art, theater in particular, shapes our civic lives by informing our conceptions of citizenship and community) Joined by one of the playwrights, Professor Paula Cizmar, Price's Professor David Sloane, and Bedrosian Executive Director, Aubrey Hicks June 28, 2017

The Originalist (John Strand's play shines a light on a polarizing SCOTUS Justice: Antonin Scalia), **Bedrosian Center** (an applied research center at the USC Price School of Public Policy) *Policy at the Playhouse* (a Bedrosian Center initiative that features conversations about how art, theater in particular, shapes our civic lives by informing our conceptions of citizenship and community) Joined by one of the play's lead actors, Jade Wheeler, and Oliver Mayer, USC Professor of Dramatic Writing MFA, and Price's John Sonogo July 7, 2017

Cop in the Hood: My Year Policing Baltimore's Eastern District by Peter Moskos Bedrosian Center (an applied research center at the USC Price School of Public Policy) *Book Club* (joined by Price's Professor Raphael Bostic) April 24, 2017

The Nine (explores ideology and politics within the judicial role) by Jeffrey Toobin Bedrosian Center (an applied research center at the USC Price School of Public Policy) *Book Club* (joined by Steve Cooley, former Los Angeles County District Attorney and Professors Pamela McCann and Raphael Bostic of Price) June 27, 2016

The New Jim Crow (explores the mass incarceration of blacks) by Michele Alexander Bedrosian Center (an applied research center at the USC Price School of Public Policy) *Book Club* (joined by former L.A. City Councilwoman, Jan Perry, and Price's Professor David Sloane and Danielle Williams) July 28, 2015

Between the World and Me (the author explores racial justice in America in a way reminiscent of James Baldwin) by Tanehisi Coates Bedrosian Center (an applied research center at the USC Price School of Public Policy) *Book Club* (joined by Price's Danielle Williams and Professors William Resh and Raphael Bostic)
September 28, 2015

USC & Gould Communications & Public Relations BEFORE 2020

Personal Profile, *Journey to Justice*

This Trojan Magazine story chronicles my dad's wrongful conviction and its impact on my scholarship, teaching, and community service
USC Trojan Family Magazine Summer 2016

Personal Profile, Exuberant Nappiness

This Daily Trojan (student newspaper) piece describes the close connections between my personal life, my teaching, and my scholarship
Daily Trojan September 22, 2016

USCGould 2015 Flyer: Front and Center

Gould's Associate Dean of Marketing and Communications, Sandy Shin, produced a broadly distributed flyer about my scholarship and social activism, which the flyer characterizes as "Progressive, Transgressive, Audacious, Compelling"

**SPEECHES, PANELS, CONFERENCES, TELEVISION, RADIO,
NEWSPAPERS, ONLINE PUBLICATIONS, INTERNET AND MAGAZINES
*BEFORE 2016***

Speeches, Panels, Conferences Before 2016

Panelist, *Police Brutality*, USC Trending Topics Series, September 22, 2015

Guest Speaker, *Racism and the Fourth Estate*, Professor K.C. Coles' Critical Thinking Class, USC Annenberg School for Journalism, September 23, 2015

Panelist, *Watts Revolt: 50 Years Later* Symposium, Office of Mayor Eric Garcetti and the Los Angeles Human Relations Commission, Watts, August 15, 2015

Keynote, *Pwn'd tha Mic*, 50th Anniversary of the Voting Rights Act Commemoration, The K.W. Lee Center for Leadership, The Row Church, & SCLC, August 2, 2015

Keynote Speaker, *Our Lives Matter*, Urban Scholars 2015 Culmination Event, Social Justice Learning Institute, June 6, 2015

Featured Speaker, *#BlackLivesMatter* (One-on-One Conversation with Patrisse Cullors, Co-Founder of Black Lives Matter), Semester Capstone Event, Pomona Student Union (PSU), April 29, 2015

Facilitator, *Cheating Welfare: The Criminalization of Poverty Continues*, Reframing the Welfare Queen Symposium, USC, Gould School of Law, April 24, 2015

Commentator, *Execution, Spectacle, & Law* featuring Austin Sarat, Symposium on Capital Punishment, USC, Gould School of Law, April 22, 2015

Panelist, *Race and Justice in the US*, Festival of Books, Los Angeles Times, April 19, 2015

Keynote, *Racial Disparities in the Criminal Justice System*, Street Law Mentor Day, Street Law Program, USC Gould, April 17, 2015

Lecturer, *Mock Criminal Law Class on Race and Self-Defense*, Law Day, USC, Gould School of Law, April 10, 2015

Panelist, *Critical Race Conversations Panel*, Students of Color and Allies Policy Forum, USC Graduate Student Government & USC Sol Price School of Public Policy, April 2, 2015

Speaker, *World Premier of Nigga Theory: A Brief Exploration*, American Documentary Film Festival, March 29-30, 2015

Keynote, *Why can't we be friends? Race and Class in Today's Society*, Black

History Month, American Constitution Society and Black Law Students Association, University of La Verne, College of Law, March 24, 2015
 Guest Lecturer, *Foundations of Self*, USC, March 23, 2015
Guest Speaker, *African American Heritage Celebration for Federal District Judges, The Office of the Federal Public Defender & The United States Attorney's Office*, March 20, 2015
Panelist, *Frames of Reference*, Categorically Not, Santa Monica March 8, 2015
 Panelist, *Art in the Court: Famous Trials Illustrated*, Visions & Voices, USC, March 5, 2015
Moderator, *Black Masculinity Forum*, Alpha Week, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, USC, March 2-6, 2015
Featured Speaker, *Nigga Theory: Contingency, Irony, and Solidarity in the Criminal Law*, Sherry Hour, Retired Faculty Association, USC, February 13, 2015
 Panelist, *Race Relations & Police Brutality*, American Constitution Society, USC Gould, February 11, 2015
One-on-One with Vice Provost William Tate (Washington University in Saint Louis), *Campus Conversation on Race, Empathy, & Faith*, Veritas Forum, USC, January 27, 2015
Lecturer, Mock Self-Defense Class, USC Pre-Law Event, Admissions, USC Gould, November 2, 2014
Panelist, *Kill the Messenger* Screening And Panel Discussion with Director Michael Cuesta & 'Freeway' Rick Ross, Rave Cinemas Baldwin Hills, September 27, 2014
Panelist with Civil Rights Attorney Connie Rice, *Race and Policing*, Loyola Law School, September 17, 2014
Panelist, *Criminally Minded: The Psychology and Law of Culpability*, Interdisciplinary Symposium, UCLA, May 16, 2014
Commencement Speaker, *We are better together...Working together to make a great change!*
 African American Cultural Celebration (Black Graduation), USC, May 15, 2014
 Lecturer, *Mock Self-defense Class*, Law Day, USC, Gould School of Law, April 18, 2015

Panelist, *Race, Justice, and the Law*, Festival of Books Panel, Los Angeles Times, April 12, 2014

Keynote, Street Law Mentor Day, Street Law Program, USC Gould, April 4, 2014
Guest Lecturer, Foundations of Self, USC, March 24, 2014

Panelist, *Implicit Bias: How Default Assumptions Hurt Science, Skew Journalism, and Send Innocent People to Jail*, Visions & Voices, USC, March 13, 2014

Panelist, *The Ethics of Representation*, Post Conviction Justice Project, USC Gould, March 12, 2014

Guest Lecturer, JOUR 498: Honors Seminar in Critical Thinking, Annenberg School of Journalism, USC, February 18, 2014

Keynote Speaker, *Incarcerated but Unincorporated*, Civil Justice in America Series, Association of Black Students in Policy, Planning and Development, USC, February 12, 2014

Panelist, *Gun Control: A Heat-Packing Discussion*, Zócalo Public Square, October 30, 2013

Panelist, *Black Renaissance*, Los Angeles Urban League Young Professionals, September 25, 2013

Discussant, Screening and Discussion of *ANITA: The Life & Times of Anita Hill*, USC School of Cinema, September 9, 2013

Speaker, *Race, Place and Crime*, Soros Fellowship Conference, Soros Open Society Foundation, July 23, 2013

Keynote, *Courageous Leadership*, USC Athletics Department, July 15, 2013
Lecturer, Mock Criminal Law Class, Law Day, USC, Gould School of Law, April 23, 2013

Speaker, *Who will Determine the Fate of the Black Man?* Endangered Species Discussion Series, Center for Black Cultural Student Affairs, USC, January 22, 2013

Television Before 2016

NBC News, Today

September 3, 2015 “College soccer players suspended from game after blackface photo”

MSNBC, Newsnation with Tamron Hall

July 16, 2015 “Pres. Obama pushes criminal justice reform”

June 24, 2015 “A look at the debate over and evolution of the confederate flag”

April 8, 2015 “South Carolina cop charged with murder for shooting unarmed
black man”

KNBC, NBC News, Los Angeles

December 4, 2014 “Race Relations, White Privilege Become National Discussion
Following Recent Events”

May 6, 2014 “Bryan Singer, Gary Goddard Face New Underage Sex Allegations”
CBS Los Angeles KCBS-TV (KCAL)

October 8, 2015 “UCLA Students Wear Blackface During School Party”

June 22, 2015 “President Obama Drops ‘N-word’ on Podcast with Highland Park
Comedian”

March 16, 2015 “Venice High School Students Arrested for Sex Crimes”

November 14, 2014 “LAUSD Drops Lawyer for Arguing Girl, 14, Was Mature
Enough to Consent to Sex with Teacher”

April 28, 2014 “NBA Commissioner Adam Silver To Hold Press Conference On
Sterling Scandal”

KPIX, CBS San Francisco

July 5, 2015 “Video of CHP Officer Beating SoCal Woman May Hurt Public
Perception of All Law Enforcement”

KTTV, Fox News

June 24, 2014 “Special Needs Child Kicked out of Theater”
NewsmaxTV, The Hard Line with Ed Berliner

June 29, 2015 “Jody Armour and Evan Mandery”
Revolt TV

March 4, 2015 “Music, Intelligence, and Race with Professor Armour & Amrit
Singh”

Pivot TV, TakePart Live, Hosted by Jacob Soboroff and Cara Santa Maria

December 9, 2013 “Professor Details Traumatic Personal Experience with Local
Cops”

October 9, 2013 “Debating Domestic Drones: Worrisome or Safe?”

September 18, 2013 “Free Speech on the Internet? You Betcha!”

August 29, 2013 “The March On Washington Anniversary: Obama's vs. MLK's

Speech “

August 7, 2013 “The Voting Rights Act: TakePart Live Panelists Discuss”

Radio Before 2016

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November 11, 2015 “Is it time to rethink the Supreme Court case that governs officers’ use of force?”

October 28, 2015 “Not a moment but a movement? A debate about #BlackLivesMatter”

August 31, 2015 “Cops, activists react to Sheriff’s comment that Black Lives Matter spurred deputy’s death”

June 29, 2015 “SCOTUS doles out death penalty, EPA & redistricting decisions, vows to take up affirmative action”

June 8, 2015 “Creative criminal sentencing in the modern era: How to shame convicts into compliance”

March 5, 2015 “Psychiatrist & Lawyer weight the fate of lawsuit over Isla Vista massacre”

November 25, 2014 “Ferguson grand jury decision: Reactions and what’s next legally”

May 22, 2014 “Who should be held responsible for narcotics abuse?”

February 3, 2014 “Ballot measure aims to allow college admissions to consider race and gender”

KPCC, Take Two

January 2, 2014 “Calif. Supreme Court grants law license to undocumented law school grad”

October 15, 2013 “Supreme Court to hear arguments in Michigan affirmative action case”

July 15, 2013 “What does the Zimmerman verdict mean for race relations in the US?”

June 26, 2013 “How are people of faith reacting to Prop 8 news?”

June 26, 2013 “USC law professor Jody Armour breaks down the Prop 8 decision”

May 1, 2015 “Freddie Gray case: Implications of the charges against the officers”

March 10, 2015 “Oklahoma University sends SAE packing after racist chant goes viral”

April 30, 2015 “Black and young in Baltimore: a roundtable discussion”

April 14, 2015 “Roundtable discussion: Are LA's race relations as rosy as they seem?”

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October 15, 2013 "Who is legally responsible if a building collapses during a quake?"

KCRW, “Which Way, L.A.?”

October 8, 2015 “Is the LAPD Over-Reacting to a Hostile Atmosphere?”

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June 15, 2015 “Rachel Dolezal and Racial Identity”

May 1, 2015 “Criminal Charges in Freddie Gray Death”

April 8, 2015 “Secrecy and Police Shootings”

December 4, 2014 “A New Civil Rights Movement?”

February 10, 2014 “Gay in the NFL, Rap Lyrics in Court & Immigration Reform”

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February 27, 2014 “Sriracha-Maker Given More Time To Contain Spicy Fumes”

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April 9, 2015 “People are bad because they are poor, not the other way around”

NOS (Netherlands Broadcasting Foundation), Arjen van der Horst

December 12, 2014 “We are about to see a moral revolution”

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August 10, 2015 “Connecting 50th Anniversary of Watts Rebellion with Ferguson”

August 26, 2014 “From Macy’s to Ferguson: The Spectrum of American Racism”

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June 30, 2014 “In US, No Duty to Rescue Or To Give a Damn: Armour”

June 23, 2014 “Doppelganger: US Sanctions Net Snares the Innocent”

June 23, 2014 “Court tells L.A. to Take a Hike: Homeless Can Sleep in Their
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June 16, 2014 “NYU Study Links Racism and Economic Status”

June 16, 2014 “Hong Kong Sues For The Right to be Forgotten”

June 2, 2014 “Video Game Maker Electronic Arts Could Pay Athletes \$40m for
Use of Likeness”

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- March 24, 2014 “March Madness Money and the Myth of Amateurism”
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- March 17, 2014 “Reading the Signs for Fred Phelps on his Last Days”
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- March 3, 2014 “Military and campus rape on trial in America”
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Course Adoption: *N*gga Theory* was the textbook for a Northwestern Law School seminar titled Criminal Law, Race, and Blame (Professor Janice Nadler).

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Here’s the Course Description: “Criminal law doctrine is rife with judgment calls: did the actor’s conduct evince a depraved and malignant heart? Would a reasonable person in the situation have: lost self-control? believed they should use deadly force? been unable to resist threats of harm? These judgments call for more than mere logic – they call for inferences about motive and character, and they call on decision makers to incorporate emotions like anger and sympathy. Despite general pronouncements that the criminal law condemns conduct, the law encourages – and sometimes demands -- that prosecutors, judges, and jurors make inferences about the defendant’s motive and moral character. As the Model Penal Code drafters wrote [about voluntary manslaughter], “In the end, the question is whether the actor’s loss of self-control can

be understood in terms that arouse sympathy in the ordinary citizen.” A similar standard is arguably at work for grading thresholds like first v. second degree murder, elements like proximate causation, defenses like duress and use of force, and in sentencing decisions.

In this seminar, we will critically explore how racial dynamics frame prosecutors’, judges’, and jurors’ interpretations of questions that, at bottom, call for moral judgments of mental states, motivations, and reasonableness. We will rely primarily on Jody Armour’s recent book about race, language, and criminal law, and we will supplement this text with empirical and theoretical work by other authors.

Evaluation will be based on class participation and 5 short papers.

Course Materials:

Book: Armour, Jody David. *N**** Theory: Race, Language, Unequal Justice, and the Law*. United States, Los Angeles Review of Books, 2020.

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